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Sodalists!
October 17 Is
General
Communion
Day

FRIENDS OF LORETTINES HOLD REUNION

FATHER CORCORAN MADE PRESIDENT OF DE PAUL U.

Rev. F. V. Corcoran, C. M., Professor of Philosophy at Webster and vice-president of Kenrick Seminary, has been appointed president of De Paul University at Chicago.

De Paul University, to which Father goes, has an enrollment of 6500 students. Like Kenrick Seminary, it is conducted by the Fathers of the Congregation of Missions or Vincentian Fathers.

Two years ago at Kenrick Seminary, Father Corcoran celebrated his twenty-ninth anniversary in the priesthood. This same event was also celebrated by his many friends at Webster. He is a native St. Louisan. He was born in St. Vincent's parish and received his primary education there. He pursued his philosophical and theological studies at St. Mary's Seminary in Perryville, Mo. He took post graduate work in Rome at Angelica University under the Dominican Order, and there he received his doctorate of philosophy and sacred theology. He was ordained in 1903 at the mother house of the Congregation of Missions at Paris, France, and on his return from Europe he took the Chair of philosophy at Kenrick Seminary, and has held that post ever since.

Father Corcoran is recognized as one of the outstanding educators in this country. He is chairman of the Board of Corporate Colleges of St. Louis University, and head of the Catholic Educational Association of the United States. He has traveled extensively, and recently spent six months in Palestine and the Near East.

A dinner was given in his honor at the Missouri Athletic Association to manifest the high esteem in which Father was held by his fellow-priests. The priests of the St. Louis Archdiocese and the members of Kenrick Seminary Alumni Association attended. Rev. Edward Rogers of De Soto, Mo., was toastmaster and addresses were made by Rt. Rev. Msgr. Patrick Crane, Vicar General and pastor of the Holy Name Church; Very Rev. Charles L. Souvay, C. M., president of Kenrick Seminary, and Rev. Mark Carroll, assistant chancellor of the archdiocese.

Webster will miss Father Corcoran's brilliant lectures, interesting classes and eloquent sermons, and most of all his presence in Webster's halls and at her social functions. Webster takes this opportunity to congratulate Father upon his new appointment.

The faculty and students extend their deepest sympathy to Mary Casey in the death of her mother; also to Rosemary Hynes whose grandfather died recently. We assure you that your loved ones will be remembered in our prayers.

Goes to Chicago



REV. F. V. CORCORAN, C.M.

OFFICERS OF CLASSES AND PUBLICATIONS ARE ELECTED FOR NEW YEAR

Freshman Class to Hold Elections Later

Classes, organizations and publications assembled immediately after the beginning of school to choose their respective officers and members of the staffs for the coming year. Senior class officers were elected in the Spring as were also the presidents of the Student Association, of the Sodality, and of the Missions.

The other officers of the Student Association, besides Alice Widmer, president, are: Mary Hickman, vice-president; Ann Ryan, secretary; Dorothea Shuford, treasurer.

Mary Rose Burke was elected editor of the Web last spring. The assistant editor is Mary Virginia Cummins. Associate editors are Josephine Reddin, Dramatic editor; Kathryn Bussmann, Athletic editor; Alice Clarke, Book Notes; Genevieve McBride, Editorial Writer; Helen Graves, Echoes of the Hall; Margaret Ludden, Alumnae News; Rosemary Hynes, Business Manager; and Anita Baeris, Circulation and Exchange Manager.

The Junior Class elected as their officers: Dorothea Shuford, president; Mary Brown, vice-president; Kathryn Bussmann, Secretary; Ruth McKenna, Treasurer; Virginia Drummond is the Student Spiritual Council Representative; Elenor McGinty was elected as the class representative on the Student Council to replace Dorothy Fairall, who did not return this year. Mary Hickman and Dorothea Shuford are the other representatives.

Sophomore Class officers are: Justina Hayse, president; Audrey Klorer, vice-president; Ann Janes, Secretary; Hortense Hogan, treasurer; Jane Burke, Student Spiritual Council Representative; Jane Daly and Dorothy Kraft are the Student Council members.

The Freshman Class elections will take place later.

WEBSTER TOOK LEADING PART AT CHICAGO MEET

Sodality Delegates Enthusiastically Discuss Many Important Topics

On June 20, 21, 22, 1930, a huge group of students from all over the country met in Chicago to discuss (wicked modern youth that they are) religious problems. That is, they came together to "talk Sodality," to plan great things for the Sodality Units already started, and to boost along those units just beginning.

The Convention opened with Solemn High Mass at the Holy Name Cathedral, the students returning afterwards to the Palmer House, where all the meetings were held. On the second and third day, by special permission of the Cardinal, Mass was celebrated in the hotel itself for the students.

Over 2800 delegates from the United States, Canada and one from the Philippine Islands, with an enthusiastic earnestness that was a real pleasure to see, joined wholeheartedly in the discussion and passing of thirty-nine resolutions. These pertained to devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, and the Blessed Virgin, to the appreciation of Catholic education, to the spread of Catholicity through the radio, literature and drama, to the fostering of Catholic Boy and Girl Scout Clubs, to the aiding of Missions and many other splendid projects for which space does not permit separate mention.

Sectional meetings enabled smaller groups to discuss their problems while at the general meetings subjects of interest to all the Sodalists were brought up, among them the selection of an official Sodality Pin. The most interesting meeting of the collegiate section was one opened by our own Sodality prefect, Bernice Wolff. She presented the ideas which began a discussion concerning College religion courses. First the students gave their opinions of the courses as at present marked out, and stated what courses they would like to have in place thereof. Then, contrary to the rule of this convention that "Grown-ups should be seen and not heard," Father Lord permitted the teachers to give their ideas on the same subject. Several priests took a voice in the matter but only one nun, and we say with pardonable pride that Sister Marie Clyde of Webster College was that one. This meeting created a real stir. This afforded the teachers splendid opportunity to

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List of Coming Events

- Oct. 8—Father Lord's lecture—Green Pastures.
- Oct. 8—Mission Mass.
- Oct. 9—First Mission meeting of the year.
- Oct. 22—Father Lord's lecture. Mass of Holy Ghost.
- Opening of the Poetry, Classical, Chemistry, Mathematics, and Dramatic clubs.

SECOND ANNUAL LORETTO DAY IS HELD AT COLLEGE

Mother Edith Is Guest at Webster

Mother Edith, Vicarress of the Loretto Society, whose home is in Loretto, Ky., the central Mother House of the Loretto Order, is paying a visit to our college. Mother Edith served as Superior and President of Webster College from 1919 to 1926. During those years Mother endeared herself to the hearts of the students, and at the homecoming last Sunday she received a royal welcome from all the old girls.

SISTER MARY JOSEPH WARMLY WELCOMED ON RETURN TO WEBSTER

Received Ph. D. at De Paul U.—Will Take Charge of the Library

Sister Mary Joseph has returned to Webster, and the student body joins with the faculty in bidding her a most hearty welcome. Only the older students have had the privilege of knowing her as she has been away from Webster for three years.

Sister is especially gifted in History and English, the former being her major subject for her Ph.D. degree at De Paul University. She will be of wonderful assistance to all departments in the important office she is to fill, that of full-time librarian. In addition to her graduate work, she has studied many library problems of the day at the Catholic University of America where she has been privileged to do a great deal of work in Library Science and related courses. With a library remodeled and improved in so many ways, and a librarian well equipped for its management, there is little doubt that the coming year will be one of the great achievement.

Sunday, September 28, was Loretto Day at Webster. This marked the second annual reunion of all present and former students and friends of the Loretto Sisters, and the Sisters themselves, in the St. Louis province.

The program for the afternoon included a business meeting of the Loretto Foundation in the College auditorium, followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament in the chapel. Inspiring music was rendered by a quartet which consisted of Mrs. Charles Daly, soprano; Mrs. John McDonough, contralto; Mr. Mack Mudd, tenor; and Mr. John Rohan, baritone. Miss Nellie McHale was organist. Tea was served at 4:30 in Social Hall. Mrs. Joseph Barnicle, Mrs. Norman George, and Miss Marie Powers presided at the tea tables, which were covered with filet lace cloths and were artistically decorated with center pieces of lighted candles and deep red roses.

Business Meeting Held

The business meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Thomas M. Knapp, S.J. The various officers made their annual reports, which were duly approved. After this the newly elected president, Miss Mary McDermott, took the chair. She addressed the meeting, thanked them for their vote of confidence and outlined her policy for the coming year. Amongst other things, she has set the membership goal at one thousand members.

Mr. Reichardt of the Reichardt Motor Co., addressed the meeting, on the question of the carnival which the Lions Club of Webster so kindly sponsored and directed on October 2, 3, and 4, for the benefit of the Webster College Endowment Fund.

Father Knapp Speaks

Rev. Thomas M. Knapp, S.J., speaker of the day then addressed the meeting on the aims and de-

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NUMEROUS CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING MADE DURING SUMMER

If variety is the spice of life, the changes that have been made in the Administration Building during the summer, ought to put a lot of zest into the 1930-31 school term.

First of all the Library has been enlarged. The Loretto Foundation office has been moved to larger quarters on the third floor and this space along with what was formerly the stack room, has been added to the original library and reading rooms, providing greater floor space and also more room for book shelves. Webster's "Seekers of Knowledge" may now enter their library through brand new double glass doors.

The Physics department, now located on the third floor, at last has space enough to display its expensive equipment and it has also secured some new apparatus.

Another point of interest to the girls and especially to the music students, is the recent affiliation of Webster's Conservatory of Music with the Chicago Musical College. This means that Webster is now an extension of that institution.

What was formerly the physics room is now one of the Latin rooms. Both assembly rooms, Sister Borgia's office, and the French and Latin rooms, have been tinted in a cheerful yellow color.

Webster's Art Department is offering several new and fascinating courses this year. They are: an elementary course in drawing, poster designing, oil painting, and interior decorating. Miss Madeline Miller is assisting with the course in clay modelling—Come on, artists! Take your choice.

Sodality Notes

Webster's Sodality, as well as the entire Sodality movement, will greatly miss Father Donnelly this year. Father was sent to St. Ignatius High School of Loyal University, Chicago.

Father Donnelly has done very much to promote the growth of the Sodality. He ably assisted Father Lord with St. Louis' own local conventions, as well as with both of the national conventions. Websterites always looked forward with pleasure and anticipation to his talks at the Sodality meetings.

Father Donnelly is succeeded by Father John Roger Lyons, S. J.

The Sodality of Webster hope that Father Lyons will favor them with a visit and talk in the very near future.

The Students Spiritual Council held its first and very important meeting on Thursday, September 25. There was lively discussion and many new and interesting plans for the ensuing year were worked out and will be put into action very soon. So keep your eyes and ears open, Sodality! There's a lot in store for you.

Sodality! Our Sodality has a Standard Pin at last. It was chosen and decided upon after very careful consideration and much heated discussion at the Convention held during the summer at Chicago.

Webster wants every one of her Sodality to know the significance of the new Pin. So here it is: The Pin is a triangle which represents the Blessed Trinity, and is also a symbol of the union in the Sodality. On the Triangle is an ornamented crown which symbolizes Mary. Our

Queen, crowned with stars. Running through the crown is a sword which symbolizes Mary as she was on earth, Queen of Martyrs, with the prophetic sword piercing her heart. The crown has two other meanings; it stands for Christ the King, and secondly, it represents the personal virtues which should adorn the soul of every Sodality. This and very much more is contained in the tiny gold pin. A gold pin; and why gold? Because gold is the symbol of the faith. Even the flowers on the crown are the lilies of purity; they are also the fleur-de-lis, which is the lily dedicated to the chivalrous knights of old, vowed to respect women. And lastly, the hilt of the sword is a cross, the standard of Christ and the standard of our Sodality.

The Nancy Havern Mission Unit is just bubbling over with new plans for the coming year. A voluntary committee consisting of fifteen or twenty girls has been formed which will work among the student body, individually urging them to save stamps and tinfoil; or to bring their newspapers and old magazines to Room 12. Apostolic work will be a main feature of the Unit's work.

New plans for each month have been worked out, and with the cooperation of all of the students, Webster's Missions will soon be on the map! There will be interesting talks by 'genuine' missionaries; short plays with colored and Spanish casts will be staged; hospitals and orphanages will be visited; and many other things just as thrilling are in store for Webster's Mission enthusiasts.

Successful Carnival and Card Party Sponsored By Lions' Club Is Given For College

The Lions Club of Webster Groves, directed a very successful carnival and card party on Nerinx Hall grounds on October 2, 3 and 4, for the benefit of the Webster College Endowment Fund. The carnival took place on each evening from 6 to 11 o'clock.

The various booths, sixteen in number, attracted large crowds. The College girls in colorful costume assisted at the various gaily decorated booths. Colored bunting, autumn leaves, Japanese lanterns and flashing costumes, added fun and zest to the affair.

In connection with the carnival, a mammoth card party took place on Saturday afternoon, October 4. This party was given at the college. Mrs. James E. Carroll was chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements for the card party. The ladies who assisted her were: Mrs. W. H. Ball, Jr., Mrs. F. A. Booth, Mrs. L. H. Bynne, Mrs. Allen Baker, Mrs. H. J. Brusselback, Mrs. J. A. Cumiskey, Mrs. E. R. Christ-

man, Mrs. E. J. Dunne, Mrs. A. P. Daly, Mrs. R. J. Farrell, Mrs. F. W. Forshey, Mrs. L. H. Gap, Jr., Mrs. A. T. Grindon, Mrs. R. H. Gross, Mrs. A. H. Hackenyos, Mrs. J. E. Halon, Mrs. J. J. Hastey, Mrs. F. E. Hornsby, Mrs. C. Krutzsch, Miss M. McDermott, Miss H. McDermott, Mrs. W. E. McGann, Mrs. J. O. McGrath, Mrs. A. H. Nangelsdorf, Mrs. G. F. McNulty, Mrs. H. W. Menges, Mrs. A. E. Nelson, Mrs. I. R. Ohlson, Mrs. W. F. O'Malley, Mrs. Nellie Parker, Mrs. F. W. Pape, Mrs. A. A. Quante, Mrs. T. A. Rohan, Mrs. H. J. Roettger, Mrs. J. E. Royal, Mrs. W. B. Rogers, Mrs. M. Shaughnessy, Mrs. E. H. Sshwartz, Mrs. W. M. Susanka, Mrs. C. P. Stanley, Mrs. E. P. Vall, Mrs. F. Wimer, Mrs. C. Winter, Mrs. A. Williams and Mrs. G. H. Wolff.

Supper was served in the cafeteria on Saturday, October 4, from 5 to 8 p. m. The grand award of the carnival, a Chevrolet car, was made on the last night of the carnival.

Dramatic Notes

Interest in the Dramatic Department cannot fail to spread through the entire school and even beyond its walls when the students and public see the enthusiasm manifested by each Loretto player.

Mrs. Anna McClain Sanky, director of the department, is pleased with the freshman class, and sees a great future for these talented "youngsters."

The senior members of the department, at the first meeting of the Loretto Players Club, were confronted with the prospect of producing John Garret Underhill's English version of "The Cradle Song," by G. Martinez Sierra. This play has been translated into many languages and has been staged and imitated widely throughout the civilized world. The right of producing the "Cradle Song" was extended to this school as a special privilege, after having been requested early last spring. This was indeed a genuine compliment to the Director, to the students of Webster, and to the work accomplished by this group in the past.

The setting of "The Cradle Song" is in a Convent of cloistered Dominican nuns. The story is woven around an orphan who has been adopted by the sisters.

"The Cradle Song" will be given before Thanksgiving, a fact which fills the girls with enthusiasm and ambition to make the "Loretto Players" as successful as they were last year.

CLUB CHAT

The first meeting of the Mathematics Club was held Thursday afternoon, October 2, for the purpose of electing officers for the oncoming year. The officers elected are: Josephine Pape, president; Thelma Reddin, vice-president; Kathleen Hamel, secretary-treasurer.

At the next meeting, which will be held on Oct. 6, Thelma Pape will expound some of the more complicated Mathematical theories to the club members. Josephine Reddin will also read a paper.

The meetings planned for the year give promise of being most interesting. Discussions will follow each paper read at the meetings. Visitors are promised an enjoyable and, we assure you, a "wide awake" period.

The Chemistry, Poetry and Classical Clubs have not yet held a meeting, nor have definite plans for the year been drawn up.

However, organization and elections will probably take place some time soon.

The Choral Club has not been formally organized to date, but try-outs for membership are being held.

BISHOP TOOLEN, D. D., PAYS VISIT TO WEBSTER Has Traveled Extensively in Norway and Sweden

Right Reverend Bishop Thomas J. Toolen, D.D., of Alabama, accompanied by Dr. M. S. Ryan, C.M., of Kenrick Seminary, recently visited Webster on his return from an extended trip through Norway and Sweden. While in Omaha the Bishop attended the Eucharistic Congress. Bishop Toolen's high school at Mobile, Alabama, is conducted by the Loretto Sisters, and hence he felt sure that he could not miss visiting Webster, especially since a Webster graduate, Anne Carr, now Sister Nerinx Marie, is one of the faculty. He was greatly pleased with Webster, which he commented on as being very commodiously arranged and equipped.

ROSEMARY FELLEZ ENTERS NOVITIATE OF NOTRE DAME AT RIPA

On September 1st Rosemary Fellez, one of our "would be" Juniors, entered the noviate of the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

Miss Fellez attended St. Barbara's school which is conducted by these nuns, and having completed the eighth grade, continued her studies under their direction at Rosati-Kain High School. From the daily observation of the noble example of these nuns there came the desire to join their ranks. So at Sancta Maria at Ripa we leave one of Webster's favored students wishing her every possible happiness in her new state.

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LORETTO SOCIAL GUILD MAKES SPLENDID REPORT OF CARD PARTIES

Parties Will Be Resumed During the Winter Months

The Loretto Social Guild continued its commendable work throughout the summer months by sponsoring three very successful card parties.

The first of these card parties was held in June with Mrs. James McNulty as chairman. In July, the second one was held. Mrs. L. H. Boyne was in charge. The hostesses for the third card party which was given in August were: Mrs. G. H. Wolff, Chairman; Mrs. D. J. Hanlon, Mrs. T. A. Rohan, Mrs. F. F. Raum, Mrs. J. P. Coakley, Mrs. J. H. Sacage, Mrs. C. T. Cowhey, Mrs. C. F. Krings and Mrs. F. W. Pape.

These card parties, which took place during the summer months, were held on the college campus. The campus was illuminated by flood lights. Besides the lovely attendance prizes there was an attractive prize for each table. Dainty refreshments were served.

The Social Guild, whose purpose is to benefit the Loretto Foundation, will hold several card parties during the winter months.

The club reporter says:

A great loss in our faculty is in the Philosophy department.

and
Father O'Malley has returned to the college finding the girls waiting for him, as usual, but classes go on just the same.

(Add this up?)

Junior Feast

Not even at great banquets of high rank was there ever such a colorful array of pajamas and coolie-coats as there was on the evening of the recent Junior Feast.

Varieties in colors, styles and texture abounded. Blue and green, with red a close second, were the colors that predominated. Pongee was the most popular material.

Pajamas, according to Webster authorities of style, are getting brighter and wider. Coolie-coats and robes, harmonized with the pajamas of course. Some very attractive garments were observed. Some were large prints with wide bottoms trimmed in a solid color; others were bright-hued crepes, such as those worn while lounging. Pastel shades of soft dimity trimmed with lace, and figured materials of all colors made the party a very bright and cheery spectacle.

LECTURE TO BE GIVEN ON 'GREEN PASTURES'

On October 8, at 2:20, the faculty and students of Webster will have the privilege of hearing a favorite and well-known lecturer, Rev. D. A. Lord, S.J. Father Lord's lectures are always anxiously awaited by all Websterites. This time he will lecture on "Green Pastures," a Negro morality play based on Bradford's Southern sketches, "Of Man Adams." "Green Pastures" is one of the two productions now playing in New York that carry the approval of the Catholic Theatre Movement, the association which places worth while plays on a "White List."

Honor Society Entertains For Rev. F. V. Corcoran

The Missouri Chapter of the National Honor Society, entertained Father Corcoran with an informal luncheon at Pine Tree Inn, Kirkwood on August 29, just before he left to take up his new duties as president of De Paul University.

Miss Theresa Shea, regent of the St. Louis Chapter of Kappa Gamma Pi, of which Father Corcoran is founder and moderator, was instigator of the luncheon.

Miss Cecil Mary Ronan, the national president of the Society, attended. The Webster members of the society present were: Theresa Shea, Catherine Rohan, Gertrude Jolley, and Margaret Vollet.

SECOND ANNUAL LORETTO DAY HELD LAST SUNDAY

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 velopment of the Foundation work. "The Loretto Foundation is an absolutely essential activity of the Loretto Sisters in this territory," he said. "It must be a success. Anyone who loves the sisters and appreciates the work they are doing, let me say to them, 'make a success of this Foundation movement.' Their ability to go forward depends on the support they are going to receive from the Loretto Foundation. A fascinating story of achievement is the story of the pioneer days of the Loretto Sisters. Groups of women cutting themselves off from home and friends, pledging themselves to the cause, and excluding themselves from personal advantage. They cannot help themselves financially. They can teach but they must be trained, and this costs money. A training in the novitiate was sufficient a few years ago for teaching in the grammar schools and in the Academies, but today even grammar school teachers have A.B. degrees. The purpose of the Loretto Foundation is not only to pay the debts of new buildings but its work is to make it possible for the order to carry on vast educational work, the equal of anything of its kind in this country. Recognize, appreciate, and understand that it is absolutely necessary that the sisters receive support from those they have taught, from their friends and relatives, and from the communities in which they teach, as well as from those who know them, understand and appreciate the work they are doing. Any social group recognizes the fact that upon the education of the child, the young man and young woman the future depends."

"Nothing Succeeds Like Success," is to be true of all undertakings of the Loretto Foundation. If you value the Foundation and the work of the Sisters in this territory, see that the membership campaign is a success."

Father Knapp gave a resume of the history of Webster College. The corner stone was laid in 1915. Only five students enrolled the first year. It was the first Catholic College for women, in the state of Missouri to offer a complete four year course, leading to a degree.

In conclusion Father Knapp stated again, "If you do not wish to see the work retrograde, the Foundation must be a success and provide the sisters with support."

Student Body Active

The Student body took an active part in Loretto Day. As assistant hostesses they saw that the guests were shown to Loretto Hall where they were served with tea.

Mother Linus and the Faculty welcomed the guests as they entered Loretto Hall. Miss Blanche Corley, retiring president of the Loretto Foundation, Miss Mary McDermott, her successor for the ensuing year,

and the presidents of the Loretto Alumnae Associations in St. Louis, were in the receiving line. Miss Theresa Shea was chairman of arrangements and Miss Marie Murnane was chairman of the Reception committee.

FRESHMEN KEPT BUSY DURING EVENTFUL WEEK

On Monday, September 22, the Freshmen made their bow to Webster at the office of the Registrar. Naturally, we have our doubts as to just how pleasant that debut was. But certain we are, that for the remainder of the ensuing week, scholastic endeavors were tucked away, into the remote corner of the gray matter, while the Freshies set themselves out to enjoy completely and enthusiastically the various affairs planned for their honor and pleasure.

First on the program was an informal "Get-together," which took place in Social Hall on Tuesday, Sept. 23. "Day-hops" and Boarders met for the first time, and many of those changeable, sometimes lasting, College ties were formed.

In quick succession followed the assembly when all good little Freshmen were told what they should know about the school. Then came the annual bridge party. And then on Friday, Sept. 26, pickles, potato chips, and sandwiches, and all other things savoring of a picnic supper. Due to inclement weather, we didn't gambol on the green at Nerinx this year, but the Gym was an admirable substitute. It was a perfect place in which to dance, and, blushing, we add—to reenact the games of childhood.

On Saturday, Sept. 27, the Freshmen were afforded the opportunity of seeing the sights of the city. They traveled from the river front to the Cathedral, and then to Shaw's Garden, and to innumerable other places, until finally sunset brought them back home.

Sunday, Sept. 28, was Loretto Day, and the old girls returned to look over the new flock. Needless to say, the verdict, unanimous and enthusiastic, was, "Keen."

Freshman Week was now almost over, but before that most dreaded last day came, there was one more pleasant evening, Monday, and the Faculty Reception. Then, at last it was Tuesday, and—one word is sufficient to convey the impression, Initiation!

But may we add just one thing more, Freshmen? Probably, right now you would like to see every upper-classman floundering in a sea of mud, but don't give up—we all lived through it, and so will you. So far you've shown yourselves to be good sports, and we love you for it. We know that you'll pass the test successfully, and so with all our hearts, we welcome you.

WEBSTER TOOK LEADING PART AT CHICAGO MEET

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 know what the students wished as to courses.

Sister Marie Anthony and Rosemary Hynes were on a committee which presented the resolution that the Students Convention approve the holding of regional and national dramatic contests among high schools and colleges for the promotion of good clean drama.

Josephine Sanguinet of Visitation Academy, who is now one of our Freshmen gave a very lovely and inspiring talk on the Blessed Virgin. The concluding words of her speech, which might well be adopted as a slogan for Webster girls, were "Work as if everything depends on you and pray as if everything depends on God."

Father Lord was doing the unprecedented in undertaking to house

such a convention in a hotel in the heart of Chicago's business district. "We trust you" was the admonition that carried such a venture to so successful a conclusion. Those interested in the convention and Catholic action at large were proud to feel that this group of young people, the Catholic youth of America, proved themselves worthy of the trust placed in them. Their behavior was attested when the manager of the Palmer House said: "This is the finest and best behaved group of young people we have ever had here."

Kappa Gamma Pi Hold Meeting at Washington, D. C.

Regional Meetings of Honor Society Took Place During Summer

On August 30, 31, Kappa Gamma Pi, held a regional meeting at Trinity College and Hotel Mayflower, in Washington, D. C., the arrangements being in charge of Miss Alice Goerner, the chapter head.

Ten of the twelve local chapters were represented: New York, Brooklyn, Buffalo, Boston, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Washington.

The meeting on Sunday afternoon was addressed by Rev. Dr. John M. Cooper of the Catholic University. Dr. Cooper stressed the importance of Catholics doing some definite scientific research. Cecil Mary Ronan, national president of the society, repeatedly stressed the fact that Kappa Gamma Pi is not intended to undertake great national projects. It is intended that members become active units in already existing organizations such as alumnae, parish, civic and social groups.

On October 11, 12, another regional meeting at the Palmer House in Chicago will be held. Many of Webster's Kappa Gamma Pi members will attend.

Alumnae News

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Meagher are rejoicing over the birth of a son, born on September 24. Mrs. Meagher will be remembered as Theo Fehlig.

Dr. and Mrs. Dayton O'Donnell of Detroit are the proud parents of a boy, whom they have named Michael Patrick.

Grace Meyer is employed in the want ad department of the Globe-Democrat.

Winifred Kane is attending Rubicam's Business College.

Eugenia Bock is preparing to start a music class at her home in Pieron, Ill. She will give a recital there preparatory to the opening of this class.

Helen McGuire is working in the office of the Graduate School of St. Louis University.

Maud Jokerst is again teaching at St. Rose's School. She also is attending the St. Louis Graduate School.

Another prospective student for Webster. Mr. and Mrs. Owen B. Kelly are the proud parents of a baby girl, born June 22. Mrs. Kelly before her marriage was Libby Dunne.

On July 25 Celeste Grindon became the bride of George F. Mockler, Jr.

Sr. Mary Cecil Reddin, now teaching at Loretto Heights, attended the luncheon of the Catholic Press Club at which her father, John H. Reddin, was the principal speaker.

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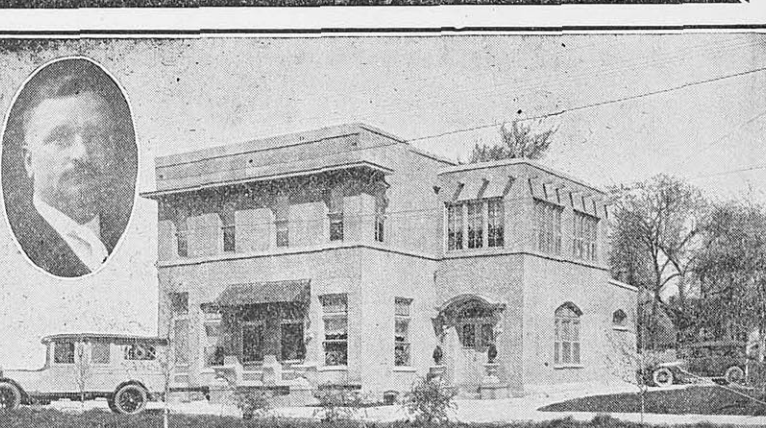
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COLLEGE SODALITY UNION REORGANIZES

'GREEN PASTURES' IS SUBJECT OF TALK BY REV. D. A. LORD, S. J.

Much Talked-of New York Hit Is Discussed By Noted Speaker

A very interesting lecture was given by Father Daniel A. Lord, S. J., in the college auditorium on Thursday, October 9, at 2:20. As the subject of his lecture, Father Lord chose the very successful, and much talked-of New York hit, "Green Pastures," written by Marc Connelly.

As Father explained, the play opens with a prologue, a Sunday school class in New Orleans—colored teacher and several small colored children. Their version of sacred scripture is the basis of the play. Mr. Dubois, the venerable colored minister, is their idea of God, and he is presented to the audience in a long, black frock coat, and soft hat. Heaven is depicted as a scene of a colorful and hilarious Fish Fry. But what would a New York audience do when they witnessed such a play? Why even the most elaborately staged and produced plays had failed. To quote our reverend speaker, "it took nerve" to dramatize this play. On the opening night, the curtain rose to a "jammed house." When the scene of the Fish Fry (heaven) began, those in the wings held their breaths. A negro, with very practical, even clumsy wings, entered the scene and cried in a loud voice: "Gangway for the Lord God Jehovah!" And with that, every head on the stage bowed, for the Lord entered, and said: "Has y' all been baptized?" The people cried: "Certainly, certainly Lord." The Lord then repeated his question, and the people again answered. Then the Lord said, "Let the Fish Fry proceed!" And the audience was swept away with emotion.

Marc Connelly peddled the play two years before he could get Broadway producers to look at it. (Continued on Page 3)

Kappa Gamma Pi Holds Meeting at Chicago

Webster is Represented at Second Regional Convention of Honor Society.

Kappa Gamma Pi held a regional meeting on October 11, 12, at the Palmer House in Chicago, the arrangements being in charge of Miss Lillian Doherty, president of the Chicago Chapter.

A banquet was given at the Palmer House on Saturday evening in honor of Rev. F. V. Corcoran, C.M., the founder and moderator of the Society. Rev. R. M. Kelly, president of Loyola University, was also a guest of honor.

The meeting on Sunday morning was lengthy and Miss Cecil Mary Ronan, the national president, talked on what membership in Kappa Gamma Pi means or should mean to those privileged. Miss Ronan explained that the Society is decidedly an individualistic organization, and that active membership demands affiliation with a local chapter.

On Sunday evening, the delegates were guests of the faculty and student body at Rosary College. Tea was followed by a short and final business meeting, at which Father G. B. Donnelly, S. J., said a few encouraging words. The Convention closed with Benediction in the Chapel at Rosary College.

Sister Borgia, Sister Marie Anthony, Theresa Shea and Margaret Peters represented Webster at the Convention.

Shortly before the end of the meeting, it was announced that the National Congress of Kappa Gamma Pi, will be held in Detroit, early in the summer.

Open Forum is Sponsored by Foundation



REV. D. A. LORD, S. J.

The initial session of the Open Forum, which the Loretto Foundation will sponsor throughout the winter months, will take place in the College Auditorium, on Wednesday evening, October 22, at 8:15. Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., will be the speaker of the evening and will discuss Marc Connelly's "The Green Pastures." There will be one session each month.

Each meeting will be opened with a musical number, and a prominent speaker will discuss a subject of vital interest to everyone. After the speaker has finished his talk, the discussion will be thrown open to the house and anyone present will be free to ask questions of the speaker concerning the subject. Intelligent questions will stimulate interest.

This Open Forum is unique, in the fact that seemingly it is the first time a Forum has been sponsored in St. Louis or vicinity, under educational auspices.

A cordial invitation is extended by the Loretto Foundation to all the students, to the alumnae, and to the friends of the Sisters of Loretto and Webster College.

YEAR BOOK AWARDED ALL-AMERICAN HONORS

The 1930 Lauretanum has been awarded All American Honors in the books of its class by the National Scholastic Press. This Press conducts the contest for all the Year Books of United States High Schools and Colleges. Webster's book was entered in the class of all-women colleges with the enrollment of less than 500, and it received 890 points out of a possible 1000.

Orient Weis was the editor of the Lauretanum; Alice Clarke, associate editor; Carrol Coleman, art editor; Thelma Pape, business manager; Josephine Rabbit, circulation manager; Neva Daly ad mgr.

WEBSTER IS MEMBER OF CATHOLIC ACTION COUNCIL

Unified Activity of Local Catholic Colleges Planned

W. C. Freshmen Taken to Police Court By Surprise

Chief McDonnell and Force Assist in Initiation Work at Webster College

The police responded to a most unusual call last Friday afternoon and as a result made the arrest of several girls. The call was turned in by a citizen who objected to having peanuts rolled along the beautiful streets of Webster Groves.

The Sophomores of Webster College had set about to initiate the Freshmen, and had come to the difficult task where the victims were required to push a peanut with a toothpick down Lockwood avenue for a certain distance. All was going well and everyone, including the Freshmen, was having a lot of fun until suddenly six police cars came up and all the girls were taken in and driven to the police court. Here the Freshmen were held on a charge of blocking traffic and rolling peanuts on the streets of Webster Groves.

After all names and addresses were taken and the girls had been well questioned in regard to the offense, which required nearly one and one-half hours, Chief McDonnell released the girls with only one sentence, that being that they walk back to the college, a distance of many blocks. Police escorted the Sophomore girls back.

This was probably the first time that Chief McDonnell had had a hand in the initiation of girls into a school.

The Student's Sodality Union of St. Louis has been reorganized again. The college division of the Union has decided to call itself the College Council for Catholic Action, under the auspices of the Sodality of Our Lady. Webster is a member of this group, to which also belong the St. Louis University with its various schools, Fontbonne, Maryville, and the four Nurses Training Schools. These above-mentioned schools are represented on the Council by a minimum of two and a maximum of five members.

The Council aims, chiefly, to strengthen the religious organizations within the schools, to promote Catholic Action and Catholic Leadership; in general, "to carry out, unitedly within the schools a program of Catholic Action consistent with the possibilities and time limitations of students."

Innumerable suggestions have been made as to what the Council can actually do. Chief among these suggestions are: The establishment of an educational department, which will organize study clubs, advertise Catholic books, etc.; a press department, which will syndicate articles of Catholic interest and activity for the newspapers; and a radio department which will sponsor a special radio hour.

The first meeting of the College Council was held on Sunday, Oct. 5, 1930, at the Coronado Hotel. The officers of the Webster College Sodality, namely: Bernice Wolff, prefect; Margaret Ludden, vice-prefect; Virginia Drummond, secretary; and Justina Hayes, treasurer, attended this enthusiastic gathering. These girls took an active part in the lively and spirited discussions which took place there and came back to Webster with more Sodality enthusiasm, and determined to do all in their power to make the College Council a real success.

VERY REV. C. L. SOUVAY OFFERS MASS OF HOLY GHOST FOR STUDENTS

Opens Scholastic Year at the College

The Mass of the Holy Ghost was celebrated by the Rev. Charles L. Souvay, C. M., president of Kenrick Seminary, on Thursday, October 9, at 8:00 o'clock, and was followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

The Mass of the Holy Ghost is celebrated each year shortly after the opening of school, to implore the blessing of the Holy Spirit on the school and on the scholastic work of the coming year.

In his sermon Father Souvay spoke of the purpose of a Catholic college education. "You students of Webster are receiving a higher education in order to become cultured. One definition of culture is, 'that which remains of education after the learning acquired in school has been forgotten.' Culture does not consist

merely in learning, but learning is of great value in acquiring culture. You have, as students at Webster, the obligation of striving to acquire not a mere worldly culture, but a "Christian-Catholic culture." Father went on to say that in spite of the fact that we are obliged to use the adjectives, Christian Catholic, as though they were only added and could be dispensed with, we realize that they are indispensable. The Scriptural quotation which Father stressed in his sermon was, "You are the salt of the earth."

Father Souvay exhorted the students who have been given the opportunity of a higher Catholic education, to make use of their advantages to the utmost, that they may become worthy of the title, "salt of the earth."

UNUSUAL CEREMONY MARKS TRANSLATION OF PIONEER NUNS

Bodies of Seventeen Brave Loretto Sisters Removed to New Cemetery

The translation of seventeen bodies of Sisters of Loretto from the old Saint Anns Cemetery to St. Francis' Cemetery at St. Paul, Kansas, on September 15, was an event of great interest to every Webster girl.

The removal to their final resting place, of these seventeen pioneer educators of the Loretto Order was marked with great solemnity. Besides the people of the parish of St. Francis and the Knights of Columbus, who gathered to honor these brave women and their leader, Mother M. Bridget Hayden, were representatives of the Sisters of Mercy, Sisters of St. Joseph, who now conduct St. Francis' School, and the Sisters of Loretto, among whom were: Mother Olivette, the superior general of the Loretines; Mother

M. Edith, Loretto vicarress; Mother Ann Marita and Mother M. Genevieve.

Placed in New Cemetery

The Very Rev. Father Theodore, C. P., first conceived the idea of removing the bodies and placing them in the new cemetery beside the Jesuits who had been their co-workers. For all these years they had rested in the old orchard, just south of the school and church in which they labored for so many years.

Body Found Intact.

The body of Mother Bridget, who was known as a saint among the older generation of St. Paul and Neosho county, was found remarkably well preserved despite the fact that she had been buried forty (Continued on Page 4)

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HALLOWE'EN

Red apples, autumn leaves, black cats and witches—all are a part of the ghostly season, Hallowe'en. To most of us Hallowe'en signifies scary parties, ghost stories, and winds whispering in the trees. And still under the surface of it all there is truly something to Hallowe'en.

The very name should call it to mind, but in a great many cases it fails to do so. Hallowe'en, connoting the eve of the feast of All Saints should give an entirely different insight into the season. Not solemnity but seriousness should follow this connotation. Let us have our Hallowe'en fun, and at the same time let's not lose sight of the real meaning of Hallowe'en.

READING

Summer vacation has passed. Verily it seems an age since we last had time to "loaf." We have put aside most of the things of summer and prepared ourselves to face a winter of genuine labor, or in simpler terms, we have returned to our studies. However, things are not as hard as they seem and when we count up we find we have brought back with us some of our summer habits. We should try especially to bring with us the habit of reading.

School days have a tendency to make us forget that books, other than texts and references, are still on the shelves of libraries, and we go month after month without giving any thought whatsoever to the very vital subject of reading. If literature is properly selected it means very much in life. College days, the days when we are surrounded by books, should give us the craving for literature, not make us forget that it exists.

There are so many, many things which we have not read and though we are thoroughly ashamed to admit it, we rarely mend our ways. "I'll read that as soon as possible is a vain threat, not a promise. Select something now and read, even if it is only for a few minutes each day. Eventually the realization of the value of reading will dawn—eventually, why not now?

DON'T SLIDE

You have heard the old adage, "Don't put off until tomorrow that which you may do today," and isn't it applicable to your school work? Each day we find that we have a little time at our disposal, perhaps only a period, and wonder how we might best utilize it. Finally after considering the scores of things that should be done, half of the said period has passed and as a result the decision is: "Oh well, what's one period, tomorrow is soon enough for those things; they aren't due immediately anyway. That's just wherein the trouble lies. If they were due today, no choice of "to be or not to be" would be had and as a consequence, nine times out of ten the work would be finished. As it is, tomorrow never comes and after a few weeks of slipping and sliding the work, kneedeep, stands untouched. The day before all the assignments are to be handed in, frantic efforts are made to have them completed. Consequently, half done, slip-shod papers are placed under teachers' doors or on their desks, only a few seconds before the very limit of allotted time is reached.

A great deal of worry and hurry could easily be avoided by planning work ahead of time. Each period should mean something. If a certain period means play then play hard at that time (haven't you heard this before, and isn't it true?) but if you put a period aside for advance studying then please don't put off until tomorrow—for it is today that really counts.

SIGNS!

There are signs and signs. Good signs, bad signs, in fact all kinds of signs, and still for some reason Webster seems to place little confidence in signs.

Perhaps they are entirely too common, and hence no longer attract your attention. Assuming that this is true I hereby admonish you. "Stop, Look and Read," for in the future you are to place your trust in Webster's signs. And there is a very special reason for this. Each notice seen in a hall of your college is for you, not for your room mate or your little sister. If you overlook what is rightfully yours, where will you be? Right where the poor little freshman was the other day who inquired of her superiors what she was to do after initiation. Can you imagine any situation worse than that? And the why of it all—the poor dear hadn't noticed a sign.

Signs are valuable. They are fascinating. Their value lies in that they are quite educational; all meetings are made known, all activities are announced and many articles of interest are posted. Their fascination lies in that they are of such variety. Painted, inked or chalked, they all have a definite message.

A sign at Webster is a good sign, worth while, so from now on be superstitious and believe in Webster signs.

ATTENTION

"The missions, the missions, We once had vivid visions Of strong and thriving missions At Webster!

Faculty, fellow-students, and friends, I am heavily and distressfully burdened, and if you will lend me your ears I will unburden myself by telling you my story.

Once upon a time the missions at Webster were 'high, high, high up in the student activities.' That was a long, long time ago. Year by year their foothold has slipped, until now a real lively interest in missions activities is something only vaguely dreamed of by optimistically hopeful officers. Today the mission spirit at Webster is at it's lowest ebb—in fact, it is dying so rapidly that someone has suggested a Requiem Mass be said in place of the next mission Mass. And what is the reason for this sad demise of Webster's mission spirit? The answer is purely and simply: "Lack of co-operation." You students are forgetting the spiritual side of your school life in an effort to boost the material side. In a Catholic college no student organization should surpass the missions. The missions, the sodality, and the student council should be of parallel importance. Now examine your conscience and see if that is the case at Webster. Your time is up now and you have to admit that of the three the missions are last in this group of activities.

This year, we hope, will mark the rebirth of the missions at Webster. Just an old-fashioned, honest-to-goodness mission revival in which every girl is deeply and personally interested, is all Webster needs; and with the co-operation of every girl we will be able to stage the finest and grandest mission revival Webster's history has ever known. We want each and every Websterite to be alive with renewed mission spirit. And finally, we hope that when next June rolls around we will all go forth as most perfect specimens of super-saturated missions enthusiasts. I thank you.

Your for direct killing if you don't.
(Signed) MISS DAGGER.

ATHLETIC NEWS

A very exciting meeting was held in Mission Hall last Wednesday, for the purpose of electing the officers for the on-coming year, of the Webster Athletic Association.

The election of Josephine Reddin, a girl very capable and interested in all school activities, was a peculiar one. The nominations for president were Kathleen Hamel, Margaret Ludden, and Josephine Reddin. Thirty-seven votes were required to elect, and Josephine Reddin received thirty-six. The other two candidates withdrew their names and Kathleen's motion that Josephine Reddin be unanimously elected president of W. A. A., was carried. After a closely contested ballot with Kathleen Hamel and Kay Bussman as nominees, the latter was elected to fill the chair of vice-president. Hortense Hogan was elected secretary and Margaret Ludden, treasurer.

Let's go, girls! It's volley ball season and there is very little time left to secure the required number of practices. These practices are held on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at 4 p. m. It is great fun passing the ball back and forth over the net, for that is the object of the game.

A large number of Sophomores have been out, and we might say their attendance has been the best of any class. The Freshies with their large enrollment ought to have at least twice as many enthusiastic participants. Come on, Freshies, get into the athletic spirit and show your ability. We knew you have it.

Remember the stars of last year—Jane Daly, Dorothy Kraft, and Audrey Klorer, who were on the winning teams. They, by their accurate and constant team work, won for their class the volley ball championship, when apparently the sophomores had had it cinched. Freshies, you could do the same as the Freshies did last year. These Freshies of last year are out in full, with the snappiest, the quickest, the peppiest team in the school, and they look like sure victors unless

ALUMNAE NEWS

Elizabeth Coakley is teaching several subjects at a high school in Brumley, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Fallon O'Leary have a young daughter. Mrs. O'Leary was Alvera Fehlig.

Lucyle Rapillard writes that she is planning to visit us about Thanksgiving.

Besides teaching Dramatic Art at St. Marks and Nerinx Hall, Catherine Cody is continuing her dramatic course under Mrs. Sankey. She will be one of the cast in "The Cradle Song."

Elizabeth and Susanna Corrigan have returned from an extensive tour of the West.

Mrs. Emily Barnicle Tinker is the proud mother of a baby girl born on Oct. 10.

Jo. Rabbit is teaching Spanish and English at St. Alphonsus (Rock) High School.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reilly have a little son, "Jack." Mrs. Reilly was formerly Margaret Mowrey.

A meeting of the Alumnae Association was held in Loreto Hall on October 15 at 8:30. There was a large attendance in which the class of '30 was well represented. The Forum was announced and the new membership drive of the Loreto Foundation discussed.

The Freshies, Juniors and Seniors turn over a new leaf and start in with new vim and vigor.

The Seniors have very little change in their team this year. Alice Widmer, Helen O'Brien, Kathleen Hamel, Margaret Ludden, Adelaide Murphy and Carol Coleman are back in their old places. But the Juniors find their team hampered with the loss of Florence O'Brien and Thelma Kinsella, two stars of the Junior class. The Sophomore team lacks only one. So have mercy on the other classes.

Let's all get out immediately for volley ball. The practices will close with the month of October, and the tournament will be held in November.

WEBSTER STUDENTS

ATTEND V. P. PARADE

On Thursday evening, Oct. 9, the resident students were spectators at the Veiled Prophet parade. Stix, Baer and Fuller again courteously invited the students of Webster College to view the parade from the windows of the fourth floor. A bus was chartered and the trip to and from downtown was spent in the same frolicking spirit which prevailed throughout the city.

The parade, a customary St. Louis festivity, fascinated the newcomers and thrilled the old girls as it always has. The floats impressively depicted the story of the Western Hemisphere from its infancy—the first float represented Leif Ericson—up to the present time. Our own Admiral Byrd, gliding over Washington avenue, was a splendid climax. As in previous years, the Veiled Prophet's parade proved to be an event of the early autumn which will always be remembered.

Can anyone suggest arrangements for the serving of refreshments just before or during the 11:30 Drama Class?

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

There seems to be so many weaknesses nowadays, in this modern world of ours—Fooled you—this is no sermon!

The Freshies weakness is jail.
The Sophs, volley ball.
The Juniors is Philosophy.
The Seniors—Thesis.

My strongest weaknesses are:—
Jelly beans.
Lombardo and his orchestra.
Apple dumplings.
A good sport.

Being in a peevish mood, there are some things I can do without and not miss.

Oysters.
A you-speak-first egotistical coed.
Black cows, at Miami Club.
A Poop-poop-a-doop fiend.
A Floyd Gibbonish inclined person. (Incidentally, 217 words per minute.)

I say, do you also secretly admire:
Maurice Chevalier?
Long tapering hands?
The melodious, My Hero?
Helen Wills?
Modernistic designs?
Shelleys, Skylark?
A certain one-fortieth of the faculty?

Some day I'm going to—

Visit all the radio stations—if they haven't signed off.

See the lost lily at Shaw's Garden—if it doesn't get lost again.

Have a Three Muskateered owned tea room—if Barkis I and Barkis II are still willing.

Go back to Chicago on a prolonged visit—if they cut out the fire-works.

Read at least ten new books—if my ambition lasts.

These are only amusing incidents, but of course I have other bigger and better day-dreams. Thank Heavens!

P. S. Say, girls, I didn't know that:

A medieval term for library was book hord. Like it?

T. N. T. means trinitrotoluene in chemistry. Wouldn't that blow you up?

A worn out airplane used by beginners, is dubbed "taxi" or "lawn-mower." Imagine that!

By using an Irish term, meaning good health, I can set you off, so here goes—So long!

"Laurie."

Sodality Notes

WE HAVE TO KNOW IT

We are safe, I think, in classing together in one unhappy cluster the doctor who does not know medicine, the lawyer who is ignorant of law, the engineer who never grasped mathematics, and the Catholic who does not know his religion.

Strangely enough, only Catholics are supposed really to know their religion. Presbyterians are not asked to explain what their name means, why presbyters are not priests, and just where they get their distinctive organization; much less why they talk so little nowadays about infant damnation. Methodists are not asked to give a method of defending the divinity of Christ. Baptists are not called upon to explain why total immersion is necessary when St. Peter baptized in a dungeon where the water supply was probably limited to pitchers of drinking water.

But Catholics must know what they believe. More than that, they are expected to preach their beliefs in lives lived before the highly critical world.

Hence, as a matter of sheer self-defense, a Catholic student owes it to himself or herself to get what the course gives in training in faith and knowledge. She, as we may as well talk of girls, will be asked about her church. She will be called on to defend it. She can either give back clearly and intelligently what she has learned in her Catholic college, or she can be the stuttering, stumbling soul, afraid of questions, hesitant in the presence of difficulties proposed by unbelievers.

Because the Sodality believes so firmly in the need of Catholic education, it urges loyalty to religion classes as a first essential. More than that, it strives to give the student while in school an opportunity to put that religion to instant use in the cause of Catholic Action. It believes that religion must be lived, intensely, vitally, with spontaneous enthusiasm. It asks the student to take so active an interest in what she is learning that she will long to share it with others. Good example, a frank devotion to Christ and imitation of Mary, is the first of these apostolates. Catholic Action, and is the summary of her whole life.

REV. D. A. LORD, S. J.

"Chaplain Chimes" is the new attraction on the Sodality Bulletin Board. They are the sayings and thoughts of our Chaplain, Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M. "Chaplain Chimes" are not ordinary sayings phrased in common language, but rather they are of the fine superior type of thing which only Father Donovan can give us. They are put forth in a figurative and interesting language, and the girls who read these messages faithfully are bound to be deeply benefited.

All those who have not been received into the Sodality and who were not present at the Sodality meeting on October 10th are requested to give their names to the perfect, not later than Oct. 24th.

Have you ordered your Sodality Pin? Four girls will be collecting the money from you during this week. Start saving now!

A detailed explanation of the significance of the new Sodality pin was given by Eleanore Carroll, who, at the same time, by her winning 'sales talk,' encouraged almost everyone to purchase one.

The second Sodality meeting of the year was held Friday, Oct. 10, at 11:30. Carol Coleman gave an interesting talk on the many indulgences a Sodality member may gain, among which was a plenary indulgence received by the Sodalist who offers her attendance at the meetings for the intention of the Pope provided the usual requisites are present. This explanation created a very enthusiastic feeling since the members were made to realize the advantages gained by the loyal Sodalists.

Thelma Pape then reminded everyone, especially the day pupils, that, since this is a Catholic college, grace before and after meals should not be neglected. To encourage this practice, it was suggested that a slip of paper bearing the word "Grace" be placed on each table in the cafeteria to serve as a reminder.

Nothing impossible, but nothing easy.

Anita Bareis delivered an historical account of the origin of the rosary. Among her interesting remarks were the facts that, if preferable, one particular mystery instead of the five may be meditated on throughout the recitation, and that the prayers preceding the first decade are not necessary in order to gain the indulgences.

The secretary, Virginia Drummond, then read a letter written by a St. Louis nun of the Blessed Sacrament Order who is anxious for girls interested in music to volunteer their services for the teaching of the colored children. These poor little boys and girls are eager to organize an orchestra, but they are financially unable to develop their talents. The Sodalists were asked to consider this appeal, and were reminded that besides performing a charitable act they would thereby gain much experience in teaching.

On Friday, October 17, the Sodality of Our Lady had its first general Sodality Communion. Mass was celebrated in the Chapel of All Saints by Rev. Father M. J. O'Connell, C.M., of Kenrick Seminary. Seventy-five percent of the entire student body was present. During the Mass, beautiful, appropriate and inspiring hymns were sung by several of the Sodalists. After Mass, there was Benediction with community singing.

Although monthly Communion is not, in this day of frequent communions, the chief aim of the Sodality, it is a time of very special indulgences and graces. In consequence, each Sodalist is urged to receive Holy Communion at our monthly Sodality Communion Mass—for the supreme purpose of the sanctification of her own immortal soul.

Remember our next Sodality Communion Day is November 21.

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FRESHMEN ARE INVESTED WITH CAPS AND GOWNS

Students Exhorted to Utilize, Spiritual and Mental Opportunities

Following the tradition of Webster, the Freshmen, sixty-two in number, were invested with scholastic caps and gowns on Thursday, October 10, in the College Chapel. After the blessing of the gowns by the Chaplain, Rev. J. P. Donovan, C.M., members of the senior class assisted the freshmen in arranging their newly acquired garb of dignity.

After the investiture, Father spoke to the Freshmen and told them that they were entering seriously upon their college life. He urged them to be true and successful collegians, and reminded them of the fact that they are at college primarily to improve their souls. This improvement, he declared can be attained only at God's altar through the gift of His grace. In concluding Father said, "If you utilize spiritual opportunities, then you will utilize mental opportunities."

The service of the Investiture, was brought to a close by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Unusual Sodality Meeting Planned for October 24

St. Louis University Lecture Club Will Give Illustrated Talk on the Mass

In the auditorium, on Friday, October 24, at the regular Sodality time, 11:30, there will be an interesting and valuable lecture on the Mass by the St. Louis University Lecture Club.

The Lecture Club is one of the vital committees of the St. Louis University Sodality. It is one of their means of giving an outlet for their real ACTIVE CATHOLICITY. The boys who are members of this club go about St. Louis and vicinity giving these lectures which have been drawn up by their professors and themselves. These lectures are on religious topics and are illustrated by attractive slides.

The lecture on the Mass, which will be given on Friday, promises to be the most instructive and interesting. There is no doubt but that it will provide inspiration as well as sound intellectual motives for the more frequent attendance at Mass. The best of us need encouragement and inspiration at times. No true Webster girl can afford to miss this fine lecture.

The Sodality extends a cordial invitation to Mother Linus, the faculty and sisters of Webster to attend this lecture.

I. F. C. A. Holds Meeting on Oct. 11, 12, 13 in Kansas City

The Missouri Chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae held their annual meeting in Kansas City on October 11, 12 and 13. Each of the twenty-three organizations belonging to the Missouri Chapter was represented.

The delegates elected the following officers: Governor, Mrs. M. Scurry; Vice-Governor, Mrs. A. B. Harrington; Corresponding Secretary, Miss C. O'Donnell; Recording Secretary, Miss L. Kennedy; Treasurer, Miss Margaret Gillis.

The program of the I. F. C. A. for the coming year includes Braille work and study clubs, the latter under the patronage of the Board of Education, of which Miss Pauline Boisliniere is chairman.

"Green Pastures" Is Subject of Talk By Rev. D. A. Lord, S. J.

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Mr. Lawrence Rivers was the "fairy-godfather" who finally agreed to finance it and start it on its way to fame. Although "Green Pastures" has been ruled off the English stage, its presentation here in America has been greeted with superlative praise. Even our "hard-boiled critics" rave about it.

The cast of the play was composed entirely of negroes. This too, was a new feature in American play life, because the Americans seldom think of negroes in connection with anything theatrical outside of tap dancing and musical revues. The members of the original cast-off "Green Pastures" were not actors at all, in the professional sense. This accounts perhaps, for the effect that the cast seems to enjoy the play as much as the audience.

Father Lord defended the play against the many criticisms which are being hurled at it by people who resent the so-called irreverent representation of God, heaven, etc. Father explained in the course of his lecture, that in all ages, man in his endeavor to visualize the Deity, has ascribed to this Deity the physical attributes of the creatures they hold most ideal. "When negroes represent God as an old colored minister, they are proclaiming their own ideal," he said.

Throughout this performance, we laugh, it is true, but we always laugh with God, and not at Him. All during the play, God is beautifully portrayed as being with His people and loving and helping them.

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Echoes of the Halls

Miss Patricia McMullen, formerly of Webster, was the guest of Miss Joe Reddin last week-end. Miss Genevieve McBride had as her week-end guests Miss Gloria Haymer of Stephens College. Miss McBride and Miss Reddin entertained their guests with a luncheon and theatre party. The guests included the Misses Patricia McMullen, Gloria Haymer, Peggy Rider and Helen Graves.

A number of Freshmen among whom were the Misses Mary Elizabeth Augustus, Grace O'Bryan, Elizabeth Burtle, Mildred Smith, Lenore Crowe, Margaret Kinberger and Margaret Crane had an impromptu party in the second floor kitchenette last Saturday night.

Miss Catherine Geary and Miss Frances Weber spent Sunday in St. Charles, Missouri, as the guests of Sister Helen Marie.

Miss Marjorie Scheu attended a Sigma Epsilon dance at Missouri U. last Friday night. While in Columbia Miss Scheu was the house guest of the Alpha Phi Sorority.

Miss Elizabeth Burtle spent the week-end in the city with Virginia Funkhouser, Josephine Winterbauer, Mary Amrhein and Clara Donelon from Springfield, Illinois.

The Misses Mary and Loretta Day attended the Phi Sigma Eta Housewarming last Saturday night.

Mr. J. D. Augustus and Mr. J. T. Kinberger from Louisville, visited their daughters, Miss Mary Elizabeth Augustus and Miss Margaret Kinberger. They entertained with a dinner in honor of Miss Mary Elizabeth Augustus' birthday.

Miss Margaret Delmore attended the Carnegie Tech-Notre Dame game and dance at Notre Dame on October 18.

Mrs. J. C. Murphy of Denver has been enjoying a visit with her daughter, Sister Marie Clyde, for the past week. Monday she departed for Kansas City, where she will visit a son before returning to her home.

On Wednesday, October 15, the boarders had the first social dinner of the year. Probably the most exciting event of the evening was the mad dash to Loretto Hall during the third course. This was caused by a sudden downpour of rain and the remembrances of many open windows.

The customary social hour followed dinner. It provided an opportunity for the Freshman to become better acquainted with the members of the faculty and for the old girls to renew their friendships of former years.

Webster Students Hear Kreisler, Famous Violinist

Members of the Music Department Attend Delightful Concert

On Friday, October 10, the girls of Webster College were given the opportunity of hearing Fritz Kreisler, famous violinist, at the Odeon Theatre. Seven girls from the music department, including Helen O'Brien, Kathleen Hamel, Carol Coleman, Margaret Wilde, Rosemary Gotlob, Grace O'Brien and Katherine Kohl, under the chaperonage of Mlle. Prevost, availed themselves of hearing this most gifted artist.

Letter to Students From Loretto Foundation

October 9, 1930.
The Student Association,
Webster College,
Webster Groves, Mo.
Dear Girls:

The Carnival and Card Party of last week were great successes! And why? Decidedly because we had such unanimous support from our own College girls. Next to the Webster Groves Lions Club, we owe our biggest debt of gratitude to you. You put our carnival over and helped us gross \$3800. Aren't you proud? You should be! We are proud of you!

We appreciate the preliminary work you did on the posters, candy, chances and card party. But most of all, do we appreciate your sparkling appearance and manner and your untiring work at the College and at Nerinx Hall grounds on those three days and nights.

Sincerely yours,
The Loretto Foundation.

DRAMATIC NEWS

The Cradle Song will be presented on November 21 and 22. The members of the cast are overjoyed at the prospect of taking part in this play. Rehearsals are taking place on Tuesday and Thursday nights, and the dress rehearsal will be on November 16.

We feel that the play will be a success from the dramatic point of view. Let's make it a financial success also by selling the tickets which are ready for disposal at the price of one dollar.

A few of the "Loretto Players" have become "Radio-minded." Among the first to put themselves in this state of mind are Miss Catherine Cody and Miss Alice Widmer. Probably next month we will have the privilege of listening to the delightful programme which they have planned.

Web Witticisms

A college student received a question in the examination which she did not know how to answer. She wrote the question and then gave this reply:

"God knows; I don't. Merry Christmas."

The day after New Year's her paper was returned, with this notation: ...

"God gets one hundred; you get zero. Happy New Year."

Jimmy: "Mum, look at that poor man. He hasn't any hair on his head."

Mother: "Hush, he'll hear you."
Jimmy: "What! Doesn't he know it?"

Here lies a man who saved his all For days when snow and rain would fall. He knew no liesure, shared no game And died before the blizzard came.

From the moment affable Kreisler appeared on the stage and struck the first note in "La Folia" until he struck the last chord in "La Gitana" he held his appreciative audience spellbound. His double notes were exquisite and his thrills and high notes superb.

At the conclusion of the program the Webster girls expressed their regret that Kreisler could not have played for hours longer.

CLUB CHAT

The Choral Club held its annual election of officers Monday, October 6. The officers are: President, Mary Day; Vice-President, Mary Margaret Everroad; Secretary-Treasurer, Hortense Hogan.

The membership drive of forty-six exceeds that of previous years, and it is with pleasure we welcome into our midst these many new voices.

Under the capable direction of Sister Mary Paula we may hope for many enjoyable programmes. As all remember, last year, the Choral Club not only participated in the recitals here at school, but broadcasted their own programmes, recorded two records and presented a selection of Christmas carols at the Chase Hotel.

The first meeting of the Literary committee of the Sodality was held in the Council Room of Loretto Hall, the evening of October 14. Father James P. O'Malley, C.M., who graciously consented to serve as moderator, started the lively discussion of "The Masterful Monk," by Owen Francis Dudley.

The book is a romance of modern life, written against the materialistic Philosophy of life. It portrays the effect of the personalities of Julian Veers, the materialist, and Brother Anslam, the monk, on Beauty, a typical modern girl.

Some of the girls criticized the story, saying the character of the monk was overdrawn, and the other characters were not living people but types.

Other books were lightly discussed. It was then decided that at the next meeting "The Monstrous Regiment," which depicts the characters of Mary Stewart, Elizabeth, and others would be discussed.

The first meeting of the Poetry Club was held on Friday, October 10th at 2:20 P. M. Election of officers for the coming year installed Miss Thelma Pape as President, Miss Helen O'Brien as Vice-President, Miss Margaret DeLisle as Secretary and Treasurer.

It was decided that the club membership be strictly elective—names of prospective members are to be submitted to the club once a semester, and those receiving unanimous approval are to be admitted as members.

New members, nominated and voted upon by the club at the meeting of October 10th, are: Misses Carol Coleman, Catherine Geary, Elvira Krings, Katherine Bussman, and Helen Lenzen.

The program for the meeting held on Wednesday, October 15th at 7 P. M. included discussions of poems written by the alumnae of the College. Poems of Miss Frank Ward will be read and discussed by Miss Thelma Pape; those of Miss Carmen Brown by Miss Frances Weber, those of Mrs. Barnicle Tinker by Miss Margaret DeLisle.

The first meeting of Sigma Phi Theta, Webster's Chemistry Club, was held Thursday, October 16. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for the present year. Miss Kay Bussman was elected President; Miss Eleanor McGinty, vice-president; Miss Joe Reddin, secretary-treasurer. The president and Sister Edwards, moderator of the club, promise any student who is interested in chemistry a series of interesting and educational meetings. The Freshmen Chemistry students are invited to attend these meetings. Sigma Phi Theta members will meet in the chemistry lecture room Thursday, October 30.

Unusual Ceremony Marks Translation

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years. Even her habit was intact. It was found necessary to maintain a guard of honor about the casket to prevent people from taking pieces of Mother Bridget's habit, as remembrances.

Worked Among Indian Tribes
In his sermon, Father Fox, C. P., told of the first four Loretines who in 1862, at the call of the Jesuits, went to carry the faith and concepts of Christian civilization to the daughters of the Osage and Osawatomee Indians.

Father referred to Mother Bridget as the best known figure in the Middle West, and told of how she had gone many times to the wigwams of the Osage and Osawatomee Indians to act as arbiter of their troubles; also of the way in which she faced other Indian chieftans who were going to make war on the

tribes, whose daughters attended the little Osage Mission School.

He recounted the many times that she nursed the sick in the lonely frontier cabins and told of the many times the government had commissioned her to settle differences that arose in that part of the country.

Through her efforts and under her direction, many agricultural methods were introduced in this part of the West.

After Father Fox ended his sermon, the seventeen bodies were carried to their final resting place. This time the ceremony was not marked by a sense of loss and bereavement, but by joy and triumph over the complete victory of these pioneer women.

Sister Edwarda, the Dean of Women, informed the editor yesterday afternoon that she was planning to make her debut in the near future.

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"THE CRADLE SONG" TO BE GIVEN ON NOVEMBER 21 and 22

Rev. D. A. Lord Speaks On 'Catholic Education'

Explains Essential Difference Between Catholic and Non-Catholic Religious Training

On Wednesday, October 22, the students of Webster were privileged to hear the Reverend Daniel A. Lord, S.J., discuss "Catholic Education."

Father Lord pointed out that Catholic education is essentially different from other education. This difference does not consist in merely the addition of a course in religion. Catholic education differs from unbelieving education in its purpose and in its attitude toward the student. Catholic education does not regard man as an animal to be assisted toward success, either in this life or in eternity.

Catholic philosophy proves the authority of the Bible and only after doing so does she ask one to accept it. Catholic education gives faith founded on reason, whereas non-Catholic education takes away faith and doubts reason.

Catholic philosophy is utterly opposed to the false systems that deny man's ability to know and to reason. The Catholic educational system begins therefore with the following statements recognized as a result of philosophical thought: Man is an immortal being; His mind is capable of attaining truth; God exists—He is proved and provable.

Since these are recognized truths, the work of the Catholic educator is, of course, built on this groundwork. We see therefore, that Catholic education is not just education plus religion, but is infinitely more, differing as mentioned above both in objective and in attitude.

SENIORS IMPARTING PART OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE TO NERINX HALL PUPILS

If the old adage "Practice makes perfect" is true, Webster College will turn out some very excellent teachers in this year's Senior Class.

Five of the illustrious seventeen grads are instructing the students of Nerinx Hall in various subjects, while one is teaching at Webster.

First, we consider "big" Ann Ryan standing before the French I Class. She insists that her pupils know how to decline their French verbs. No doubt, Ann goes to sleep at night with faint echoes in her ears of—"je parle, tu parles, il parle, nous parles—," and so far into the night.

Mary Frances Perry informs young Freshmen of the fundamentals of Latin Declensions which are foremost in the mind of this inspiring teacher. She is quite exacting in her translations and discourages the

SODALITY MEETINGS BECOME LESS LOQUACIOUS

Many Practical Plans Submitted at Last Assembly

The meeting of the Sodality on October 31st, was very interesting and was well attended. This meeting was a proof that Sodality meetings are becoming less of glib loquacity and more of useful suggestions, of beneficial accounts of doctrine and devotion, and of practical plans for the advancement of individual and group sanctity.

The meeting was called to order and opened with prayer by the prefect, Bernice Wolff. Josephine Reddin gave a short, but worthwhile history of the Feast of All Saints. Alice Clarke gave a very fascinating talk on the Church's teaching on purgatory, and exhorted the Sodalists, by offering both the intellectual and emotional reasons, for praying for the dead. Miss Clarke also explained the Act of Generosity for Sodalists. Eighty-seven Webster Sodalists have made the Act of Generosity for November, 1930. A short explanation of the Little Office of the Sodality, was then given by Alice Widmer, who also outlined the plans for publishing the titles on the Sodality Bulletin Board.

The new questionnaires from the Queen's Work were distributed and the Sodalists were asked to answer the questions during the remaining time. Each Sodalist received her Queen's Work as she left the room.

LORETTO PLAYERS GIVE RADIO READING

Misses Thelma Pape, Ann Russel Janes, and Catherine Cody, members of the Loretto Players' Club, successfully presented the play "Cat's Claws" by Jennings, Tuesday afternoon, November 4, over Station WEW.

TAKES LEADING PART IN "THE CRADLE SONG"



MISS HELEN O'BRIEN, Who Plays Sister Joanna of the Cross

FROSH CLASS ENTERTAINS AT HALLOWE'EN PARTY

Our little sisters, the freshmen, showed themselves delightful and capable hostesses at their Halloween party Wednesday evening. "Idle Hour" had been transformed into a veritable land of goblins in which a colorful "Chinee" tripped the light fantastic with a regular bowery maid, a war whooping Indian with a pale-face doll.

Quite a furore was aroused by two Chinamen whom no one recognized. Even Amos and Andy were there—check and double check! After much dancing there was the grand march before the faculty for the selection of the best costumes. Thelma Pape, a charming belle of yester-year with her pompadour, bustle and red-checked gingham, was given first prize, a cunning, modernistic dog containing bath salts.

The mysterious Chinaman who turned out to be Jane Burke and black-faced Amos and Andy (Melinda Schwartz and Mary Casey) were both so clever that they were obliged to draw for second prize. For once Dame Fortune was kind to the Mystic Knights of the Sea and they won second prize, a good looking hat rack. When the result of the draw was announced the Chinaman was heard to murmur something which we are willing to bet was Chinese for "I'se regusted!"

The refreshments were delicious—luscious cider and doughnuts, candy and rosy apples.

Calendar of Coming Events

Nov. 12—Mission talk by Cecil Cate.

Nov. 14—Recital by Rita Orville, soprano, at 2:30. Sponsored by the Music Department.

Nov. 14—Mass at the College Church, at 8:30 A. M. for the deceased Alumni, Alumnae, Relatives and Friends of the students.

MEMBERS OF ART AND FRENCH CLASSES HEAR LECTURE AT MUSEUM

Members of the various French classes at the College, under the chaperonage of Mlle. Marcelle Prevost, attended a lecture on "French Art of the Last Quarter of a Century," delivered by Monsieur Desclos at the City Art Museum on November 4.

As was to be expected, a thorough consideration was given those tyros in new ideas of Art, the Neo-Impressionists, who in the words of Monsieur Desclos, "forget all photography and other forms of art, in their search for new expression of age-old impressions."

"This present day school of painting" he said, "is conspicuous for three characteristics which are peculiar to itself: interest in objects merely as means of representation, without aiming at reproducing a likeness of things; its direction of effort toward constructive design of character, ruthless in omission of detail; intensive love of color that admits of a delicacy of tone and shading which is incomparable."

Slides illustrated the lecturer's assertions. Works of art by Cotellet, Le Bosque, Signal, Vuillard, Rausscau, Maurice Denis, Modigliani, Pascin, Picasso, Dunoyer de Segonsac, Matisse, Kisling, were interestingly discussed and explained by Monsieur Desclos.

The girls reported that the lecture was not only inspirational, but at the same time educational. They hope to have the good fortune of attending another one of Monsieur Desclos' lectures at a future date.

THE QUEEN'S WORK

"The Queen's Work" will be distributed at Sodality Meetings. We hope that this procedure will eliminate the reading of the magazine during lecture classes. If you are absent from the meeting at which "The Queen's Work" is given out, you can secure your copy, not later than the following Wednesday, from either Kathieen Hamel

Loretto Players To Give Sierra's Famous Play

The Loretto Players of Webster College will present G. Martinez Sierra's "The Cradle Song," at their Little Theatre in Webster Groves on the evenings of November 21 and 22 at 8 o'clock.

This is the first time "The Cradle Song" has ever been permitted to be presented in or near Saint Louis by an amateur cast. It has been seen only once to date in Saint Louis on the legitimate stage. At present it is having a sensational run in New York.

"The Cradle Song" is a comedy in two acts with an interlude in verse. Sierra is said to have achieved a definite and permanent triumph with the production of "The Cradle Song" and in this beautiful idyl of the religious life, his comedy attained perfection. It first appeared in Madrid in 1911 in the original Spanish form. It has since been translated into many languages and been played and imitated widely throughout the world. It made its first appearance in New York in 1921.

"The Cradle Song" has a cast of only seventeen characters. Fourteen of these wear the habit of a religious order of nuns. The three remaining characters are a Doctor, a Lover, and a Young Girl who has been reared and sheltered within the convent walls. The entire action takes place in a convent. In "The Cradle Song" Sierra echoes the cry of the eternal mother instinct which has been stifled and denied.

The play is a reminiscence of the youth of the author's wife in Carabanchel, a town in which her father was convent doctor and where her sister took the veil, the Sister Joanna of the Cross of the play. This part was played by Miss Eva LeGallienne in the professional cast; it will be played by Miss Helen O'Brien in the Loretto Players' presentation of the play.

The cast of characters includes: Helen O'Brien

.....Sister Joanna of the Cross
Mary Hickman The Girl
Ann Ryan The Doctor
Mae Hillemeier The Lover
Ann Janes The Poet
Alice Widmer The Vicar
Catherine Cody The Prioress
Josephine Reddin

.....The Mistress of Novices
Lucile Johnson Sister Marcella
Marie Wiebracht

.....Sister Maria Jesus
Elvira Krings Sister Sagrario
Catherine Geary Sister Inez
Marie Schmucker .. Sister Tornera
Margaret McCabe Lay Sister
Margaret Delmore Lay Sister
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Thelma Pape is acting as the Business Manager.

or Margaret Ludden. After that time, the left-overs will be sent to Catholic institutions where there is much demand for Catholic literature.

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"THE POUR SOULS"

Opening with the Feast of All Saints, closely followed by the commemoration of All Souls, November is universally set aside by the Church as the month of special intercession for the suffering souls in Purgatory. We should in a very special manner remember the dead during this month. Little acts of mortification and self denial can merit for us indulgences applicable to the Holy Souls. So many of us have someone very near and dear to us among the faithful departed, and yet, how many of us, bearing this in mind, exert ourselves to a little sacrifice?

For most of us it would mean so little to attend daily Mass and Communion, but oh how few of us remember this efficacious means of relieving the suffering souls? If we have neglected this opportunity heretofore—it's never too late to begin, so why not start right now to "pray for the dead at noon and eve," and frequently join in the "De Profundis."

NOVEMBER

And now we are in the center of another month, a very busy month, and we pause only long enough to make a survey of the many things that surround us. First we see the volley ball tournament. Four picked teams, representing the classes, battled to a final decision and it was a real battle, for each class had "the finest team on the court."

Volley Ball is over now so we have time to look back a little because we have just received papers, which two weeks ago meant tests to us, now they mean our fate—A.-B.-C.-D. How have we carried on scholastically thus far? Do our papers spell doom? It's too late to correct last month's errors, but firm resolutions to change for the better give us new hope.

Thoughts of tests have vanished and a fall fashion review passes again before our eyes. Slim figures, silhouetted against the hazy background of the immediate past, parade before us clad in the latest thing in "what the well dressed woman should wear." The clothes are beautifully set off by happy faces, sparkling eyes and music that make dancing a positive necessity. We find the scene labeled "Fall Dance." The fall dance! It is over now, and Freshmen have been launched into our select society. They have had a taste of our formal fun, just a teaser, which makes them wish for more, and now they are enthusiastically ready for a large winter crowded to the very brim.

Football, too, draws and holds our attention, especially as the last of the month passes in review. There are so many breath-taking games to be played. Will Notre Dame continue to follow the path of victory? Who will win the St. Louis University-Washington game? (St. Louis U., of course!) If we could only see plainly that which lies before us, but then, there would be no need for the game.

While we are in the athletic attitude, basket ball season opens. Basket ball is the major sport of the year, for us, and should stand out in bold fact type to all of us. Whether we play or not doesn't affect, in the least, our ability to do our share, and every one of us can be a help or a hindrance to the basket ball team and it is up to us, individually, to determine which we will be. It is necessary that basket ball have student body backing to be truly successful. It is up to us—will we succeed?

In the walk through November the Climax does not appear on any particular spot. The month is composed of a series of climaxes, and we notice, as particularly outstanding, the achievement of the Department of Dramatics.

As a result of the strenuous labor on the part of the entire department, "The Cradle Song" has been prepared and will be presented on November twenty-first and twenty-second. The Dramatic department, like our other departments, is an organization which should interest the entire student body and it should have one hundred per cent backing in all its ventures.

"POSSE QUE POSSUNT VIDENTUR"

We found this year, that before we had even arrived, active work had begun. Our first Student Association meeting proved to us that the Council had been busy, just as our first Sodality meeting proved to us that our Prefect had been busy. We felt that we had something very tangible; plans had been made previously and the feeling wasn't—we are going to do things some day, but we have done and are doing right now. As a consequence real active interest was created. Human nature needs something practical and when actualities are given they are enthusiastically received. And no school commenced with a wider awake student body, ready to give their best to their college.

For the first few days of school we live on excitement, and we are prone to be carried along by emotions, then comes a let down and we are tempted to forget the good intentions we had. We begin to feel that we cannot live up to our record, but this feeling is one which we must avoid. Use the power of reason and things will look logically possible now, just as they were emotionally possible a few weeks ago. They can who think they can.

Members of Drama Class Attend Presentation of Macbeth

Fritz Leiber at Schubert-Rialto in Shakesperian Repertoire

A brilliant performance of Shakespeare's tragedy, Macbeth, presented by Fritz Leiber at the Schubert Rialto, was witnessed by a group of Webster girls on Friday evening, October 17.

Mr. Leiber, assisted by his able company, portrayed the rise and fall of Shakespeare's ambitious hero in a very gratifying manner.

In the performance, Macbeth was a most likeable character, with very high aspirations, but placed in the way of temptations that proved irresistible to him. In general, Mr. Leiber created a character who demanded sympathy and forgiveness rather than scorn, and who aroused these emotions in part, at least, by his renditions of the famous soliloquies.

Virginia Bronson, as Lady Macbeth, gave a vivid and sincere representation of a loving wife possessed with an unnatural ambition and enough crucial stamina to support her husband until he could stand alone. Miss Bronson's voice was especially noteworthy.

Macduff was ably played by Lawrence H. Cecil. His character portrayal, superbly heightened Macbeth's impending ruin and was enthusiastically received by the audience.

The girls who attended the play were: Grace Strecker, Ann Ryan, Marion Garthoffner, Ellen Prendergast, Marie Wibracht, Dorothea Schuford, Virginia Drummond, Marie Walsh, Mary V. Cummins, Ruth McKenna, and Rosemary Gotlob.

Unusual interest in the play was stimulated by discussion of it in the Drama class, and the theatre party acclaimed the stage along with the course itself, as the most efficient means of learning how to appreciate and understand the drama.

REV. J. P. DONOVAN ATTENDS BOARD MEET OF C. S. M. C.

Plans For Seventh National Convention Disclosed

Rev. Joseph P. Donovan, C.M., attended the meeting at Cincinnati, Ohio, on October 10, at which preliminary plans for the seventh national convention of the Catholic Students Mission crusade, to be held during the summer of 1931, were worked out by the diocesan representatives of the organization. The meeting was held at the Crusade Castle, the national headquarters in Cincinnati, on October 8 and 9.

The place and date of the coming convention will not be announced until the decisions of the diocesan officials have been referred to the National Executive Board of the Crusade.

Other matters considered in the meeting were the publication of a new handbook for Crusade leaders and extension of the Crusade's work as the educational auxiliary of the Propagation of the Faith in the various dioceses.

The meeting was held at the invitation of Msgr. Frank A. Thill, National Secretary-Treasurer of the Crusade. Archbishop John T. McNicholas of Cincinnati, National President of the organization, attended the closing session.

The Mission Crusade was begun in 1918 as a national federation of Catholic students to promote mission knowledge. Its founder was the Rev. Clifford J. King, S.V.D., whose capture and release by Chinese bandits in Honan Province figured in news dispatches of the past summer. The Crusade is established on a diocesan basis in forty-five dioceses, and there are branches of the organization in practically every diocese of the country.

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

You know, not that you care, but I get the biggest "kick" out of—
Horseback riding!

Old time snap shots!
Al Smith!

People who speak with an accent!
Five-somes of golf!

Joe E. Brown!
Composing poetry! (?)

Sabatinis books!

Dancing!

Coo-Coo-Clocks

After deep thought and due concentration, I've decided there ought to be a law against—

Surprise tests!
Paper napkins!
Alarm clocks!
Handing back of theatre stubs!
Getting dressed for gym!
Sarcastic people!
Eight o'clock classes!
Cold Soup!

Oh, these nature loving people! Nevertheless, yesterday I read some very instructive descriptions of several North American birds.—Here 'tis!

Bobolink (golfyn nutus)

One of the greatest poseure of all birds. Has a variety of call notes, the most printable of which is—Fore, Fore, uttered chiefly when other birds are near. The Bobolink is most often seen flapping its course in company with others of the species. Migrates in winter to Florida.

Tailor Bird (collegianus)

Snake bird or Cake-eater, it is al-

so called, and the first suggests the name because of faultless plumage. This is a gregarious bird of the first order. In the Fall of the year especially, these birds flock together in great numbers. At such times, their familiar guttural—Rah, Rah, Rah, R-R-R-Rah, is often heard.

Flapper Bird (flaming youths)

Also called Swift. This brilliantly colored creature seems always to be on the wing, and to alight only to partake of food, which it has very little trouble in securing. Its most common song is, "Gimme," "Gimme," uttered in quick succession. This pretty bundle of feathers is an incessant love-maker.

Cat Bird (gossipes idlesis)

No bird has a more appropriate generic name than this species—"gossipes." This is obvious after one has heard its low hissing note. I-heard-she said, I-heard-, which it commences early on the morning and continues until late at night. The Cat Bird is very vain and delights in dirt baths after which it carefully preens its feathers.

In poetry class we were told that sentimentality was "too much of anything." Well, that explains it all—I'm sentimental, without a doubt, because I have too much junk. Among my souvenirs are—
A poem, "My Dtg."
A dead rose.
An old diary
A snap-shot or three.
A tiny blue ribbon.



Webster girls were quite surprised last Thursday evening by the sudden but short visit of Sue Corrigan, who stopped in for a few moments on her way to the Barn Dance. She had just come from Little Rock, and was planning to return to her home in Popular Bluff.

A bridge party in honor of Joe Reddin was given by Mrs. J. S. Kuhn of Fair Oaks, on Joe's birthday. The guests included Mlle. Prevost, Gen McBride, and Helen Graves, niece of Mrs. Kuhn.

Dorothy Kraft was delightfully entertained last week-end at the home of Margaret Flynn in East St. Louis.

Mary and Loretta Day were the guests of Margaret Delmore at her home in East St. Louis.

Margaret Delmore was elected President of the East St. Louis Junior Womans' Club last Saturday. Congratulations.

Dr. and Mrs. F. G. Zilliken of Chester, Ill., visited their daughter last week-end when they were here for the baptism of their granddaughter, Mildred Cosby Zilliken.

Mr. J. L. Dwyer of Tulsa, the brother-in-law of Kathryn Hennege entertained Kathryn and her roommate at a dinner party at the Jefferson.

A large number of Webster students attended the Barn Dance given by the St. Louis University Conclave on Oct. 30. Every one was in a costume which showed the wearer's idea of the milkmaids, farmerettes, farmers and plow-jockeys. The dance was held in the gym and figures of cows, sheep, and horses among the corn stalks made the Barn Dance quite realistic.

Many of the College girls attended the Nerinx Hall Alumnae dance given at the Monday Club Friday, October 24. The Club was decorated in Hallowe'en color scheme. Nerinx is to be congratulated on the success of the dance.

Among the Echoes of the Halls have you heard the echo of the Beauty Shoppe? The echo comes from Room 341, which is the Beauty Salon of Loretto Hall. To Websterites this news is of importance as well as of interest—it is the first venture of this sort ever tried here—and the fact that the rates are suited to a college girl's purse adds much to the importance of the undertaking. The Beauty Shoppe boasts of five experienced operators—they are Alice Widmer, the boot-black; Dorothy Kraft, the "shampooist"; Marjorie Scheu, the manicurist; Rita Schearer, the facialist; and Margaret Flynn, the artist at finger waving. Now to satisfy your curiosity and to prove the "boasted experience" of the said operators, the Beauty Shoppe invites you to visit the salon and to observe the artistic triumphs achieved.

Letters.

Just bits of things.

Well my advice to you is—
Be good—Be brave—Be glad—Be have.

Sleepily,

"Laurie."

Sodality Notes

CHAPLAIN CHIMES

"Chaplain Chimes," means so much to one Senior that she took a copy home to her father. We hope you like "Chaplain Chimes" and are reaping the benefits of the sagacity of our Reverend Chaplain by a practical application of the Chimes in your daily lives.

SODALITY PINS

If you ordered a Sodality pin, have you brought your dollar? Junstina Hayes is collecting the money from the boarders and Bernice Wolff from the day students. Absolutely no pin will be given out until it is paid for. You will be delighted with the new pin and more than proud to wear it.

SOPHOMORE AND JUNIOR DAY STUDENTS

Do you want to be the only ones who have not co-operated with the S. S. C. in trying to see that each girl has a medal on Sodality Communion Day. We know you do not. So will you please tie a string around your finger or put a note in your note book, or do something to help you to remember to bring your Sodality medal. Margaret Ludden or Jane Burke will be glad to receive them.

CHAPEL MEETING

FIRST FRIDAY

We will have our regular monthly Chapel meeting on Friday. At this meeting the Little Office will be recited in the manner described at the last Sodality Meeting. The books will be found in the pews and are to be left in the pews. Veils for all the students will be distributed at the Chapel entrance. This will be offered up for the deceased Sisters and students of the college, and for the dead friends, relatives and benefactors of the Sodalists.

FRESHMEN

We have been noticing this year that the upperclassmen, for the

MARY HELEN LYNCH ENTERS NOVITIATE OF LORETTO SISTERS

Mary Helen Lynch, one of our Freshmen of last year, departed, October 25, for Nerinckx, Kentucky, where she entered the Loretto Novitiate.

Mary Helen received her elementary and high school education at Loretto Academy in St. Louis, where she was Prefect of the Sodality during her senior year.

The Tuesday before she left she was entertained by her Sophomore classmates and other friends in the Red Room of Loretto Hall. Mother Linus, Sister Edwardo, and Sister Paula shared honors with Mary Helen at the sumptuous feast prepared by the other girls.

Fall Dance Is Well Attended

Under the guidance of the Student Council, Webster's first social event of the season—the Fall Dance—was held last Friday evening in the Ivory Room of the Hotel Jefferson. The attendance consisted of eighty-one girls and their escorts, besides a sufficient number of stags.

Blacks and browns were the predominating colors, with an occasional fiery chiffon, which stood out in striking contrast to the rather sombre background.

The orchestra's playing, while

most part, have been faithful in attending Sodality meetings and functions, and that it is the Freshmen who are not faithful. How shall we interpret this fact? We can't make ourselves believe that our Freshmen, who are so fine in many ways, are not concerned with their religion and with its organization. We can't believe that they can't and won't give just fifty minutes of their week to our Blessed Mother for her Sodality Meetings. We feel that some of them must not understand what the Sodality is and what it means to the life of the modern girl. The only way to gain this information is to attend the meetings.

Webster's Sodality needs the Freshmen. Come to the meetings and help us and let us help you!

FAITHFUL FRESHMEN

We want to say here, that we are most proud of our Freshmen who are faithful Sodalists, and that we are sure Our Blessed Mother is proud of you and of all the other Faithful Sodalists; and in gratitude is sending down her blessings on each and all.

NO MORE EXCUSES

No Webster girl, hence forward, can say that she doesn't understand the words of the Little Sodality Office, if she reads the Sodality Bulletin Board. Each title of our Blessed Lady's will be taken up in order and its connection posted on the Bulletin Board, at frequent intervals. This will require a great deal of work on the part of the Publicity Committee. But we want you to know that nothing is too much for your Student Spiritual Council, if it is helping you, and that everything is a burden if its work is of no benefit in your lives as Catholic College Women. We only ask you to do your part. Read the Bulletin Board and help yourself and your Sodality!

CONTEST BEING SPONSORED BY QUEEN'S WORK

Valuable Prizes Offered for Best Story or Editorial

The Queen's Work is sponsoring two contests in its endeavor to encourage student authors. A prize of \$25.00 and one of \$50.00 is being offered for the best Short Story and \$25.00 for the best Editorial. Accepted stories will be paid for at one cent a word for not more than 1500 words. Only those accepted for publication will be in the finals. It is hoped that the best Catholic College and High School brains will be applied to the stories and editorials. The stories should, by preference, be cheerful and, if possible, somewhat humorous. Themes with which the students have a personal acquaintance should be selected. The contest will close on December 15—let's hear from you!

An Echo From a Class on Third.
Sr. M. C.—The Parthenon was used for a powder magazine.
Frosh—Who edited it, Hudnut or Coty?

adequate, fell short of the expectations of many. When the last strains of Home, Sweet Home died away the happy party "passed out" eager with anticipation of the coming dances.

CLUB CHAT

On Friday afternoon, October 31, the Poetry Club met for the purpose of discussing the poems of Father Ryan and Joyce Kilmer. Alvira Krings presented the works of the famous priest author of the South, and Catherine Geary presented the works of the author of "Trees."

Since the last publication, several new members have been admitted to the club. They are: Helen Lenzen, Peggy McCabe, Margaret Wilde, Genevieve McBride, and Helen Graves.

In a previous meeting the poems of former Webster girls were read and discussed. Among the poets so honored were Elizabeth Corrigan, Catherine Arrendale, Frank Ward and Carmen Brown.

The first Classical Club meeting of the year was held on October 21. In the business meeting that preceded the reading of a paper by Dorothea Shuford, it was decided that those Freshmen interested in the Classical Club would be invited to some of the meetings. The question of dues was discussed also. The members agreed to dispense, once in awhile, with the usual paper assignments and to take part in discussions on current topics of interest.

Dorothea Shuford's topic was "Vergil" and an appreciation. It was interesting and presented several new facts to Vergil lovers.

The Choral suffers another loss in Mary Margaret Everroad who has taken up her residence in New York City. Aside from being one of the outstanding sopranos, she was vice president of the club. Helen McEvoy has also deserted this year. Needless to say she is missed not only by the members of the Choral, but by all at Webster.

Work on Di Chiara's "In Spain" has already been completed. The next undertaking will be Massenet's "Morning Song." The selections have always been appropriate, but this year they are both appropriate and popular.

The membership is slowly but surely mounting—fifty strong now. Looks as though this year promises the finest Choral ever.

The meeting of the Chemistry Club, on Thursday, October 30, assured the officers as well as the Club's moderator, that the Club is going to be an enthusiastic one this year.

Elinor McGinty gave a resume of an article in the Journal of Chemical Education, entitled "Alchemy." Jane Daly added zest to this report by pointing out the numerous points of the article.

The second interesting event was the making of "Lifeless Plants," by Kay Bussman. The spectators were greatly astonished when they saw a mineral tree rise from a tiny crystal suspended in water glass.

Josephine Reddin, discussed, "Cancer," one of the greatest problems of today. Audrey Klorer talked about vitamin B, and its importance to the body.

On November 15, the Club plans to visit the Glass Mfg. Co., at Alton, Illinois. They are to leave early Saturday morning and have an all day trip.

Some of the Club members attended the lecture given by Dr. McPherson, president of the American Chemical Society, who discussed the "Methods of Nature" and commented on the scientists painstaking but futile attempts to simulate nature's methods.

Alumnae News

Peggy Wegmann is quite the private secretary now. Her office address is the Central Branch of the Public Library.

Announcement of the marriage of Juanita Abel to Mr. Kenneth Elder Stavely of Shawnee, Oklahoma, on October 15, has been received as a bit of news, very interesting to all at Webster.

Margaret Mary Brey who received her M.A. degree from St. Louis University last June, is now teaching out at St. Mark's High School several days a week. In her quest for further knowledge, Margaret Mary is taking a course at Washington University.

Stella Cavanaugh is teaching English, History, Economics and Latin in a High School in South Dakota.

Margaret Yock was married June 10. She is now Mrs. Arthur Lyons.

Jo Rabbitt is quite the Biology teacher. She is taking charge of the laboratory work this year.

Mrs. Owens, formerly Ellen Nieman, is the mother of a fine baby boy.

Sister Nerinckx Marie (Ann Carr) is teaching this year at the Bishop Toolen High School in Mobile, Ala.

Q. Under what virtue does small fee come?
A. Luck.

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With Our Athletes

An interesting and exciting Volley Ball Tournament was held Wednesday evening. There were four teams entered from the four different classes. The captains of each team drew their opponents, and it resulted in the Freshmen playing the Seniors and the Juniors playing the Sophomores. The Freshies defeated the Seniors, but the Seniors are to be highly complimented on the fact that they have been vitally interested this year. Last year, as we remember, we had no Seniors out for the sports at all.

The Juniors, after seeing the Seniors fall, did likewise, although they did put up a very strong battle, and for a while in the second game it looked like the Juniors were going to win the game. But the Sophomores had a splendid team which, under the direction of their capable captain and squad leader, Esther Kraft, finally won a glorious victory.

The Sophs then played the Freshies for the final game of the tournament, and the Sophs, due in part at least, to their experience, came out successful. The Freshies were enthusiastic, though they lacked the practice. The Sophs overcame a lead that the Freshmen had gotten and defeated them in the end, though with a very close score, 15-14.

This tournament climaxes the Volley Ball season—no more volley ball till next year. This game, too, probably is the last volley ball game that most of the seniors will ever play. But Seniors, remember the sign on the bulletin board, "We don't stop playing because we grow, but we grow old because we stop playing."

RAH! RAH! BASKETBALL

Since the volley ball season is past, we now open Monday, Nov. 10, the most interesting of all seasons in sports—Basketball. We are anticipating a large number of turn-outs. Come on out everyone for practice, but remember practice starts at 4:25 promptly and lasts till 5:30. Freshies, here's a bit of encouragement. Last year there were two Freshies on the school team, which is an incentive to work—get out and play basketball.

Come Monday whether you know anything about the game or not—for it will be decided then whether or not this beginners' class will be held. Unless there are twelve or fifteen turn-outs for the beginners' class, it will not be held.

Beginners—Miss Barthel, our present Athletic Director, did not start to play basketball till she came to college, and she, after a bit of training, became one of the best that ever played basketball at Webster College. That is not our only miracle in this field, either, for Ad. Murphy, the Senior, made the school team last year and she started basketball here at Webster. Come out, beginners, Monday, Nov. 10th.

The Squad Leaders have been appointed and they are Miss Daly and Miss Bussmann. They will assist Miss Barthel at practices and help to make the game interesting for all.

Girls! Watch the schedule for hikes and get in those "two hikes a month"—they're really a lot of fun.

LECTURE CLUB GAME PROVES BIG UPSET

Lecture Boys, However, Score Victory Over Cafeteria

The lecture given last week in the auditorium by the lecture club of St. Louis U. was a very instructive affair and might have proven equally as netertaining were it not for Emily Post. Emily says you must not laugh when latern slides are inserted up side down and what Emily says goes.

Four of the members in good standing of the above named club made their way from the big city, aided and abetted, as we learned later, by a supercharger. We were wondering just how and its a great relief to know.

The lecturers were shown into the auditorium and after playing around with the wires of our electrical system thought they would proceed with the lecture. The first few minutes of play was uneventful then came the first reversal of sam eum eip to the rest of the uiof aroos leuy aul, ipdya mas-ees a being (pardon us a moment while the operator adjusts the machine).

The lecture boys reached the end and jumped off, and were then taken to the caf where the management was thrown for a terrific loss.

Web Witticisms

A school teacher had found her class of boys reluctant in their writing of English compositions. At last she conceived a great idea for stimulating their interest — they would write an account of a ball game.

With one exception, the boys threw themselves into the task and evolved youthful masterpieces.

The backward one chewed reluctantly at his pen, then, struck by a burst of genius wrote: "Rain—no game."

Mr. Crowe was a devout churchgoer. The young minister of his church was also devout, but easily embarrassed. Imagine the consternation of Mr. Crowe and the delight of the congregation when the young divine solemnly said at a prayer meeting:

"And now, will Brother Pray please crowe for us?"

Young candidate for Parliament: (in speech) Thank God that I was born in England; I will live as an Englishman, and die as an Englishman."

Voice from the rear: "Mon, mon, hae ve nae ambeetion?"

Heard in Ethics:
Q. If a man is always hungry is it a habit or a disposition?
A. It's a tapeworm.

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Senior Education Class Given Instructive Lecture

Miss Torpeley Explains Work of the Visiting Teachers

The Senior Education class was entertained with an interesting and instructive lecture given by Miss Torpeley, President of the Visiting Teachers Organization of Webster Groves.

In tracing the history of this movement Miss Torpeley told of "its beginning in 1906 in Boston under private patronage and its rapid development, parallel in many ways to the rise and growth of the Nursery School in England, which was at one time a small enterprise sustained by philanthropy, and which is at present a flourishing factor in the nation's educational system. New York has, at present, fifty Visiting Teachers whose work was given special impetus in 1921 by the Commonwealth Fund which paid all expenses for a demonstration lasting over a period of three years. During this time the chief aim toward which the organization strove to find a cause for the maladjustment of a child and to seek a remedy. It is not sufficient to serve the child in school alone; the child in its entire environment must be considered. The attitude of the child toward home, school work, play may be in urgent need of re-direction therefore parent and teacher must cooperate for his interests."

A series of attractive and adequately descriptive posters revealed with graphic reality, the little ones at school. There was the little dreamer indulging in a reverie about the next marble game, and the last fishing trip; the frowning little fellow at war with himself and the world because for him four academic walls means a prison; the overly-sensitive little girl afraid of her own voice, and ill at ease with her companions and teacher, because she cannot establish any normal contact with them. The Visiting Teacher must deal with these and many other similar problem children. And as an outsider or seemingly casual observer she has exceptional opportunities for definite constructive in both school and home.

Winning a child's confidence is not an easy matter, hence first contacts must be informal and pleasant. Often the child realizes the situation, at least to a certain extent, and will cooperate with the teacher. Thus the teacher is better able to make the adjustment in the school or home, link up with the Social Agencies, should the case demand it, or with Recreational groups outside the confines of school and home.

There is crying need for such attention in the early years of child life, when character may yet be moulded to normal habits of thought and action; hence the importance of the Visiting Teacher. And "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" may well be the motto or shall we call it the "slogan" of the Visiting Teacher

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The Math room far exceeded that of the first meeting of the club, and judging by the interest manifested, the Math room will be crowded to the doors for all the successive meetings.

Joe Reddin discussed the "Uses and Important Applications of Determinants." The questions propounded were designed to fading knowledge or to present new matter, with special reference to the younger students.

"Higher Plans Curves — their Equations, Graphs, and the Generation of these Curves" was the topic discussed by Thelma Pape, who gave the students a mere "teaser" for the pursuit of higher Mathematics.

The program for the next meeting will include discussions of "Some Practical Applications of Calculus," by Bernice Wolff and "Locus Problems," by Grace Strecker.

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THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS BEGIN TODAY

Rev. Geo. Byrne S. J. Plans for Dec 8 China Missionary Gives Lecture

With an illustrated talk on China, and the missions in China, Rev. George Byrne, S.J., on Thursday, November 20, brought home to Websterites, the true significance of "Catholic" endeavor. In order to clarify somewhat, China's status today, from the standpoint of religion, Father spoke briefly of the China of yesterday, of her old civilization; her established literature, history, ethics, and science (crude though it was); of the coming of the Franciscans in the fourteenth century; St. Francis Xavier's failure to reach the shores of China before his death in 1552; and Father Ricci's entrance thirty years later—which foothold was to mark the beginning of an unbroken line of missionary work in China.

Having given this much of background, Father reverted to the China of today; the China that clings to the old order and the China that clamors for new thought and activity.

So many years of European civilization and China so far behind the times! Her streets are of a narrowness and of a crookedness that do bespeak the quaint. Her irregularly roofed houses, built closely together, shout forth the reign of superstition. Infants continue to ride astride their mothers' backs, while said mothers perform the duties of unskilled laborers. Babies, especially girl babies, are still sold and abandoned. Even crime at sea, in China, takes on the tone and hue of former times, with the prevalence of piracy.

In commenting on that newer China, the China that is emerging, Father spoke of Sun Yat Sen, the political leader who planned to establish a new regime outside the pale of emperors, and who died in the execution, leaving China in a hot-bed of civil strife and convention. But the best constructive new thought had its birth with the coming of Father Ricci.

From his time dates the long succession of tireless messengers of the Faith; until today there are in China, Catholic schools, Catholic seminaries, Catholic hospitals, convents and cathedrals, in number. For the Catholic Church, wherever she lives, exudes not only sustenance for the soul but health for the body and development for the mind. She has brought into

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Father O'Connell Returns After Short Illness

On Friday, Nov. 14, Father O'Connell suffered an acute attack of ptomaine poisoning and was taken to De Paul Hospital. Everyone was happy to learn a few days later that his condition was less serious than at first it had been supposed. Father received a warm welcome Tuesday when he resumed his class in English History after an absence of one week.

Plans for Dec 8 Discussed at Sodality Meeting

Sodalists Decide on Triduum Of Mass and Holy Communion to Precede Holy Day.

The Sodality meeting of November 14, held in Mission Hall, was opened by the prefect with prayer.

Plans for reception in the Sodality on the feast of the Immaculate Conception were discussed. This is to be general communion day for all Sodalists in spite of the fact that it means giving up part of a holiday. The students feel that that is the least they can do to honor Our Lady on her greatest feast. They also planned a triduum of Mass and Holy Communion on the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday preceding the holy day. Three hundred Masses and Communion is the goal set for the Sodality during those days.

The inspiring article on the Immaculate Conception, read by Ann Ryan, called attention to the fact that this is the Blessed Virgin's greatest feast because it honors her privilege of being the first and only person free from the blot of sin from the very first moment of her existence; that it marks the uplifting of woman from the degradation into which she had fallen. Thenceforth woman was placed on a pedestal to be an inspiration to man.

Alice Clarke reminded the Sodality (Continued on Page 4)

Webster Students Entertain With Lincoln Sketch

Judge Charles Bull and Nina Laurie Dorgan easily recognized doubles of Abraham Lincoln and Mary Todd Lincoln, gave a dramatic sketch of the Lincolns, in the auditorium Monday afternoon, November 17.

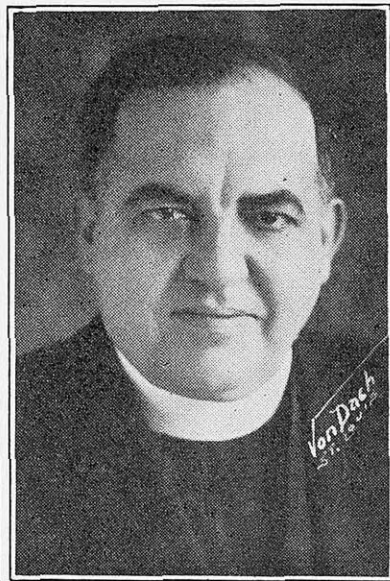
The sketch, "The Heart of Lincoln," arranged by Judge Bull himself, was designed to give an intimate view of Lincoln, the president, and Lincoln, the man, during the anxious period of the Civil War. Most of the incidents in the sketch were authentic happenings in the life of Lincoln, and much of the dialogue, the exact words of Lincoln.

The picture that Judge Bull gave us of Lincoln, was that of a noble, human man, sick in soul and body over the war, but still humorous and kindly withal. Miss Dorgan portrayed Mary Todd as history represents her, an exceedingly peppery scold with a saving grace of undemonstrative love and fine sentiment.

Beside the remarkable physical resemblance, Judge Bull was born in a frontier log cabin in Texas, on the fourteenth instead of the twelfth of February, and worked his way through school. The Judge played the role of Lincoln in the moving picture, "The Iron Horse," and the "Heart of Maryland."

Rev. R. I. Wilbur To Address Second Meeting of Forum

"Joan of Arc," by Shaw and Belloc to Be Subject of Talk



REV. RUSSELL I. WILBUR.

On Wednesday evening, December 3, at 8:15, in the auditorium of Webster College, the Rev. Russell I. Wilbur will deliver the second of the series of talks before the Open Forum, sponsored by the Loretto Foundation.

His subject will be, George Bernard Shaw and Hilaire Belloc on, "Joan of Arc." Anyone who has ever had the good fortune to hear Father Wilbur, will want to hear him again. His original ideas and intellectual frankness have made him one of the most sought after public speakers in the country. There are few subjects into which he has not delved. Those present at the next Forum discussion are sure to hear that great heroine, "Joan of Arc," discussed from standpoints quite divergent—the one materialistic and mayhap quite iconoclastic—the other, spiritual and Christian.

The Loretto Foundation is fortunate indeed, in having been able to secure Father Wilbur as the speaker for this second "discussion."

It is hoped that all those who were present when Father Lord inaugurated the Open Forum so enjoyably with "Green Pastures," will return on Dec. 3, and bring with them their friends and neighbors.

The Loretto Foundation is looking forward to another delightful evening for all Webster's friends.

The next issue of the Web will be the Christmas edition. All contributions must be submitted by December 9th.

National Education Week Observed At College

Formally Opened On Sunday, Nov. 6, With Talk By Chaplain

National Education Week began with 7 o'clock Mass on Sunday morning, November 6, at which the chaplain, Reverend J. P. Donovan, C. M., talked on "Christian Education."

During the rest of the week there was a series of interesting and educational happenings.

Monday, November 7, the Ethics class conducted a discussion on "Christian Education without the Four Cardinal Virtues." Bernice Wolff opened the discussion with a general treatment of the subject. Kathryn Bussman, Dorothy Meyer, Mary Virginia Cummins and Margaret Wilde, in subsequent talks, considered the topic from the standpoint of Justice, Prudence, Fortitude and Temperance, respectively.

John Halk, a violinist of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, gave a recital in the auditorium on the same afternoon.

Education Week was extended to the following Monday, November, when Judge Charles Bull and Miss Nina Dorgan, gave an interesting sketch of our "Martyred" president, Abraham Lincoln.

Art Department Presented With Unusual Gift

Mr. Crouchwell is Donor of Art Specimen From Germany

The Art Department of Webster College was recently presented with a large carafe made in Germany. Mr. Crouchwell, who has been studying art abroad, was the donor of this unusual gift.

For years, nay centuries, all Germany has seen liquors transported in large fat bottles, hung on either side of donkeys and made no comment. It took an American to divine the artister in these common water bottles. They are made of thin, sea green glass, handblown—a marvellous feat, considering their size—into huge, bulging bottles with short, generous necks, and they are encased in fine hand-woven baskets.

His sense of the beautiful, which is ever leading him to find in something ordinary to Europeans a thing of interest to Americans, prompted Mr. Crouchwell to obtain such a specimen of art for the college. It will be on exhibit in the art room.

Mr. Crouchwell is a very clever artist who has received two scholarships to study art abroad. It was on one of his recent trips to Germany that he procured the lovely gift for which Webster is truly grateful.

Large Crowd Attends Cradle Song Play

Loretto Players Well Received By Capacity Audiences

The Loretto Players added one more number to their list of successes by the splendid performance of "The Cradle Song," November 21 and 22. If it was not a perfect success, at least it was a very satisfying production for amateur actresses.

Helen O'Brien, our Eva La Gallienne, enacted the role of Sister Joanna of the Cross remarkably well. By her motherly devotion and sweet religious spirit the audience was deeply moved.

Mary Hickman beautifully portrayed the heart-rending emotions of Teresa, the Girl. Her departure from the "Convent of her heart" was keenly felt by everyone.

The role of the Doctor, as interpreted by Ann Ryan was almost perfect. She captivated the hearts of the audience making them appreciate her paternal gentleness and joviality.

The seemingly stiff righteous and narrow minded Mother Vicarress was cast by Alice Widmer. She expressed her opinions frankly, realistic and dogmatic though they were. But she revealed her tender heart when Teresa left the Convent. The humor introduced by the abruptness and propriety of her speeches relieved the tension of the dramatic scenes.

Mae Hillmeyer's impersonation of a nervous youth in love was very laudible.

Catherine Cody made a charming Mother Prioress with her firm but gentle character.

The role of the Poet, as played by Ann Janes, was highly commended. By her discourses the audience was given the setting for the second act.

Senior Class Is Entertained By Alumnae

The College Alumnae gave their annual bridge and tea for the Senior Class on November 15, at the Congress Hotel. The girls were welcomed in the hotel lobby by several alumnae and escorted to the Tower room where pretty green tables were in readiness for an afternoon of bridge. At the conclusion of the game each senior received a silver vanity set for her dresser.

After being entertained by such charming hostesses, the seniors are now of the belief that although they are unfortunate in having to leave Webster in June, they are extremely fortunate in being eligible to membership in the Webster College Alumnae Association.

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THE QUEEN'S WORK

Catholic papers have been edited either for the man and woman long out of high school or college or for the small child in the nursery. Papers that have interest in the problems and viewpoints of students are rare enough in a world filled with periodicals.

But when THE QUEEN'S WORK ceased to be a general magazine and became the voice of the Sodality, the fact that the Sodality and the S. S. C. had caught fire first and foremost among students, made it inevitable that the paper should have the interest of students at heart.

Consistently it has tried to reach the mind and heart of students. More and more its contents has become the work of the students. Always it has thought of the major part of its audience as made of the young man and woman in high school and college, whose tastes were modern, whose manners were breezy, but whose souls were honestly good and deeply Catholic. Because THE QUEEN'S WORK has in the main met with the approval of the students, the delegates assembled in Chicago this summer voted it their enthusiastic support. They insisted that 100,000 subscribers would not be too many. While they knew their paper (and THE QUEEN'S WORK is their paper) would lose money every month until it reached 100,000, their main point was that it reach as wide an audience as possible. Many schools promptly pledged themselves to subscribe 100 per cent. Others have subscribed 100 per cent since the convention. We have every reason for thinking that this VOICE of the Sodality and S. S. C. Movement is going to be heard by three times the number of subscribers that were reached last year.

May we have your support? THE QUEEN'S WORK is the one way in which Sodality and S. S. C. news can be carried to you. It is the one magazine or paper devoted heart and soul to the interest of Catholic young men and women. It is the outlet for the literary ability that seeks a wider audience than is afforded by the school paper.

THE QUEEN'S WORK needs you. But we are rash enough to think that for the carrying out of the Sodality and S. S. C. program, for the development of Catholic Action in the schools, for a deeper realization of the possibilities of Catholic leadership, YOU need THE QUEEN'S WORK.

Daniel A. Lord, S. J.

EDUCATION

A sign on the Student Association Bulletin Board defines education as "learning to do the things we don't want to do when we don't want to do them." This is a thought on which we could afford to base our daily lives. There are innumerable things each day that we don't want to do, and we always put them off, until our backs are to the wall and we have to act. Why is it that when the last bell rings there are always a few who reluctantly come in tardy? Why is it that more people can't get up early in the morning? Why is it that papers aren't in on time? Why is it that rules are not observed? Why is it that so many of our faults remain uncorrected? It is because we cannot learn to do the things which we don't want to do when we don't want to do them. We are not educated.

THANKSGIVING

Once again Thanksgiving time is here and once again we thank God for another year filled with His choicest blessings. The time of year set aside to make this public act of thanksgiving is most fitting. In the city offices the work for the year is just about finished; in the country the fields are bare and the crops are harvested. Everywhere there is a general call for thanksgiving. Young and old, rich and poor alike join in this thanksgiving. Everyone has received some particular favor or blessing for which he is especially grateful. Let us not forget, then, the real purpose of this Thanksgiving Day.

LORETTO SOCIAL GUILD SPONSORS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CARD PARTY

The Loretto Social Guild, sponsored another very successful card party on Wednesday evening, November 12 in the College Cafeteria. This is the Guild's first card party since the carnival.

Mrs. Frank Garthoffner was hostess, and the following ladies served on her committee: Miss Mae Lindsay; Mrs. J. L. Ducker; Mrs. Carl Krutzsch; Mrs. Alfred Backer; Mrs. Julius Albrecht; Mrs. William

Brantner Temm; Mrs. George R. Kleine.

The table prizes were attractive oblong-shaped paper baskets with goday prints. The attendance prizes consisted of a smoking set; an iridescent vase filled with bitter-sweet plant; and a pair of dainty china candle holders.

Refreshments were served as usual. The next card party will take place sometime during December.

Catherine Geary, Helen Leuer Virginia Caffery, Miriam Connell, and Mary Burtschi attended the St. Louis University football game of November 7.



Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a joyous day
For each one young and old,
The day is handed down to us
From Pilgrims staunch and bold.

To high school and to college lads,
And to their girl friends, too,
It's football; That is all that counts,
They roar: We're backing you!

To older folks—the thoughtful ones,
It's thankfulness for things
The Lord in love has given them—
Life and all it brings.

T. P. '31

THINKING OF YOU

In the dawn's rosy hue when the
birds awake
To carol their songs and glad-
ness make,
As the dew-drops shimmer in
flowerlet hearts
When the sun sends forth his
golden darts—
My thoughts are of you.

When I'm all alone in the even-
ing's gloom,
And the drifting clouds o'erdrap-
e the moon,
Or twinkling stars begem the sky,
While tall trees bend and whisper
and sigh—
My thoughts are of you.

Thus the long day through and the
shadowy night
If my heart bows in anguish or
thrills with delight
If I dwell in a castle or beg with
the poor
Till my life-weary feet reach
Eternity's door—
My thoughts are of you.
M. A. D., '33.

A LITTLE BROTHER SPEAKS

Time: Fifteen minutes after set time for date. Characters: Big sister's date and little brother. Off-stage: Noise as if the person were in frantic hurry.

Little brother (Envelope in hand: entertaining date):

"Bet you can't guess what's in this envelop". Date: "Letter from your girl, I bet."

Little brother: "Nope, you loose. It's pictures of your girl. I'll tell you about them. She had 'em taken for the Year Book, but she's going to have some made, too. She figures that next year her graduation pictures will cost pretty much and she won't be able to afford more'n one. I believe they're fifty dollars a dozen or somethin' like that. Anyway it's lots more'n she can afford. These'll only cost six dollars a half dozen and eight dollars a dozen an' I think she'll get the dozen. For two dollars more she might just as well. Of course you know they'd really cost more'n that but she's getting a reduction cause she's having them taken for the Year Book. Did she tell you her picture was going in the book five times? Yes sreee. Five times. Lemme see—I think she's president of her class, and the missions, an

A Midnight Escapade

We've often heard that great mental stress will drive a man to drink, but there is no sympathy given to college juniors who are afflicted with the same trouble—I mean a mental disturbance. Perhaps it's one's conscience that causes such unrest when the contemplation of a full schedule for the next day and none of the lessons prepared refuses to be put out of one's mind. Besides that, 11 o'clock at night is such a hungry time and the realization that breakfast is hours off is far from a cheerful thought. I'm not making excuses for night excursions to the rooms down the hall, neither am I advocating them (they are rather hard on most of us timid souls), but I am merely trying to find a good reason for them.

Last night I had the aforementioned ailments and was driven to do something about it, so I slipped quietly—it was supposed to be quietly—down the hall with a paper bag under my arm. It wasn't bad getting there, except that I had the misfortune to hit the door too soon. As I stumbled in and slipped on the rug the occupant sat up in bed and recited, "Which one of you, O Collegians—" I told her which one and rattled the bag so it didn't take long to get her out of bed and into Joe's room. The mention of food aided Joe to come to life and with whisperings and giggles we set forth two ancient peaches and dried up oranges, a handful of nuts that we were stealing from the poor birds, and a few remnants of candy.

Our sumptuous repast consumed, I tried to go back to my room, but ye gods! Was the floor going to fall through? It's a wonder I'm not a nervous wreck this morning. Joe's door banged, each board seemed to squeak to Sister Edwarda that a tip-toeing prowler was up to something, and the hall had stretched, while I was gone. The knob on my door turned aimlessly for fully five minutes, and when I finally got in, the lock refused to click.

As I crawled into bed I tried to think over my Spanish assignment, but the Spanish part of my mind was a blank. I was half frozen and firmly decided that I would henceforth and forever more have done with procrastination and night trips along any halls. But I did go back the next night.



Nov. 8.—Jimmie Blizzard from Kansas City visited Rita Scherer. Albert England Hoffman from Hannibal, Mo., visited Marjorie Scheu.

Nov. 12.—Hugh Breen from New Albany, Ind., visited Dorothy Kraft.

Nov. 14.—Mary Elivabeth Griffin was entertained this week-end by Mrs. Fitzgerald of St. Louis, Mo.

Nov. 15.—Mary Day attended a Sorority dance at the Century Boat Club

Nov. 18.—Mrs. Ed. O'Brien and Miss Eagan from Little Rock, visited Helen O'Brien.

Nov. 21.—Marjorie Scheu spent the week-end at Columbia, Mo., where she attended Missouri University's Homecoming. From Columbia she drove to be present at her brother's wedding.

Virginia Walsh who has been in a critical condition since her operation for appendicitis is recovering, but will not be able to return to school until after the holidays.

Among those who are planning to go to Chicago for the Thanksgiving holidays and attend the Army-Notre Dame game are Alice Widmer and Kathleen Hamel who are going with Alice's family. Jane Fisher, Micky Wise, Marie Schmucker are also making plans for the same trip as is also Miss Barthel.

Quite a few of the girls who are not going home for Thanksgiving are expecting visitors from home. Kathryn Hennage's sister, Binks, is coming. Grace O'Brien is expecting her mother and brother, Joe. Margaret Kimberger is also looking forward to a visit from her mother.

Helen Leuer and Miriam Connell will spend the holidays with Mary Burtschi of Vandalia, Ill.

Lenore Crowe will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with Margaret Delmore.

Roberta Cuniff and Theo Christofferson will spend the holidays with Helen Kiely.

Mary Hunter Schmucke will depart today to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with her folks at Jackson, Mo. Sister Mary Julette and Sister Marie Anthony will accompany her.

Kate D'Arcy is one of the hostesses at a tea to be given on Friday, November 28.

Erma Schleicher and Mary Burtschi, representatives of the Apostolic committee, visited the Colored Orphan Home conducted by the Oblate Sisters in Normandy a week ago Saturday. The Superior showed them through the building, and the children entertained them with songs and dances.

Pearl Broderick, a former student of Webster, and Josephine Burtschi, both of East St. Louis, were recent visitors of Josephine's sister Mary Burtschi.

Anita Barris, with her family, will spend the Thanksgiving holidays, with friends in Danville, Ill.

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Sodality Notes

Are You Selfish?

College girls are accused most vehemently of being selfish and of thinking of no one else, but themselves. We rise in rebellion against such a statement, and here is our opportunity to prove its fallacy. Concerted efforts will be made during the next few weeks, by the Sodality College Council, of which we are a member, to collect a vast amount of food, clothes, and toys for the poor for Christmas. The council will act as a social clearing agency for the individual schools, co-operating with the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Will Webster do her share of the council work? You answer, "Why Not?"

If you are selfish, you will do nothing or very little toward the success of this Catholic Action. If you are not selfish, you will co-operate in this great corporal work of mercy, that will bring so much joy to the innumerable victims of our present "Hard Times." Prove that you are not selfish!

300 Plus.

On the 3rd, 4th, and 5th of December, every Sodalist will receive Holy Communion in honor of Our Blessed Mother. This is our triduum. The Boarders will attend the regular Convent Mass and the day students will attend Mass in their Parish Churches.

We have set our goal as 300 Communions. The Bulletin Board will inform you how you are to check unions. We want to see the goal reached or mayhap, surpassed and the College Council wants a report.

Big Event Coming.

The big event for every Sodalist is the feast of December 8th—the feast of the Immaculate Mother of God—our Patroness. It is one of the feasts which makes Catholicism differ from Protestantism. Those without the fold have Christmas and New Years, and Easter, but to the Catholics alone belongs December 8th.

On that morning, we will have our Mass and Sodality Communion at 8 o'clock. This will be followed immediately by reception into the Sodality. If you don't love Our Blessed Mother enough to come to our Sodality Mass on that morning of our Lady's own day when you are not worthy to be a Sodalist, or to be a Webster girl. Let's have a 100 per cent attendance, please.

Be Prepared.

The best way to prepare for a feast is by making a novena. Father Donovan will have Benediction immediately after Mass each morning, and will say special prayers for the novena. Every boarder should try her best to be present for daily Mass during those nine days. If you can, why not make the novena down at the Rock Church. Alice Clarke will be glad to give you any needed information. There will also be cards in the back pew of the Chapel with novena prayers. Make a novena of visits, if the other novenas are impossible.

Sodality Party.

We all like parties and so we Sodalists are having a party on December 8th. After Mass and Holy Communion, we will have a Sodality breakfast in the cafeteria with favors and music and "loads" of fun. We will be disappointed if you aren't there because it is not the officers' party, but your party, and you can't very well have a party without being there. Can you?

Bundle Week.

Every week from now until the

17th of December is Bundle Week. During Bundle Week you are to bring bundles of clothes, food, and toys for the poor for Christmas. Day students, bring all of your old clothes, and toys, and ask mother for some canned goods and flour, etc. Dad for his old overcoat and tie. Boarders, bring down all your old clothes and then go down to Old Orchard and buy some groceries with the money you would otherwise spend on ice cream and licorice sticks. Bring your bundle to room 12, ground floor of Loretto Hall. Remember, we must have bundles, bundles, everywhere.

Sodality Pins.

Sodality Pins have been ordered and will be here very soon. No pin will be given out until it is paid for.

Webster Girl is Elected to Office in College Sodality Council.

At the meeting on Sunday, November 16th, the College Sodality Council elected their officers. Mr. Maurice Roche of St. Louis University Medical School was elected president; Miss Bernice Wolf, our prefect, vice president; Mr. Fred Weber, of St. Louis U. Arts School, secretary; and Miss Anne Saraghan of Fontbonne, treasurer. Miss Virginia Drummond, our Apostolic committee chairman was elected chairman of the Publicity committee.

The College Council is an organization of the representatives of each of the College Sodalities of St. Louis. Its purpose is to foster in the individual schools, deeper interest in the Sodality to exchange suggestions and to plan for concerted Sodality activity.

Alice Widmer Receives Emblem From W. A. A. First Student to Obtain 600 Points Under New System

At a meeting of the Webster Athletic Association, on Wednesday, November 19, Alice Widmer was awarded a large "W", as a token of her achievement of six hundred points in athletics.

The point system was established at Webster College almost four years ago, when the present seniors were freshmen. Miss Widmer, a senior, is the first student to obtain the emblem. An enthusiastic athlete, Miss Widmer has during the course of four years served as an officer and active member of the athletic association.

Four more seniors have prospects of receiving their emblems before June.

A LITTLE BROTHER SPEAKS (Continued from Page 2)

pictures after all?"
Date: "Why whats the matter with you? Why can't you show me those pictures?"

Little Brother: "Well, er, um, ah, you see its this way. Maybe, er, er, well she might, ummmmm—oh heck I don't know now—wait I'll go ask her."

(Goes to steps and calls upstairs:)

"Oh Sis, can I show Al your proofs?"
(Voice upstairs:.) Why yes, honey, if you want to."

Little Brother: (heaves deep sigh of relief:.) Its all right I can show 'em to you. You see (very confidentially) I thought maybe she'd be giving you one for Christmas and wanted to surprise you."

Curtain.

MR. JOHN HALK, VIOLINIST, CHARMS AUDIENCE WITH DELIGHTFUL PROGRAMME

Has Been Connected with the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra for Five Years

Webster's music department sponsored a delightful violin recital rendered by Mr. John Halk, Thursday, November 13, in the auditorium.

His program consisted of: Concerto in A Minor by Vivaldi, melodic lines of which showed the restraint of the classic period in which it was written. This was followed by the first movement of the Mozart Concerto number 5, in A major. After a short intermission Mr. Halk played three short numbers: "Nobody Knows The Trouble I See," "Hymn To The Sun," and "Ciciliano." For an encore he played a valse of Brahms arranged by Hochstein. In the last group Mr. Halk delighted his audience with two colorful selections from Debussy—namely, "Romance" and "La Plus que Lente," and closed his program with "Danse Espagnole" from "La Vida Breve" de Falla-Krisler.

Mr. Halk prefaced each number with a sketch of the number and its composer. The interest and enthusiasm of the audience was unusual. The artists interpretation of Mozart with its exquisite phrasing and nuance, won the greatest favor.

Mr. Halk began his study of music in southern Indiana at a very early age and continued this pursuit when he later moved to St. Louis. For the past ten years he has devoted his study exclusively to the violin. He has studied both at home and abroad. Conspicuous among his teachers are Carl Flesch of Berlin, Jacques Thibaud at the Ecole Normale in Paris, Bernard Sinsheimer and Gaston Poulet.

The violin which Mr. Halk used belonged to David Hochstein who was killed in the World War. It is a Gagliana violin made in the latter part of the eighteenth century. Having spent two years in professional work in New York, Mr. Halk next devoted his time to the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, with which he has been connected for five years.

Mr. Halk's hobby is collecting antiques. His particular interests lie in quaint bits of glassware and ornate bottles. He also has among his collections stray pieces of furniture which dates back to about the year 1850.

When interviewed Mr. Halk said: "I am very much interested in teaching; next to composing I consider it the most creative work."

Mrs. David Kriegshaber, accompanist, proved her sterling musician-ship by her splendid support and restraint throughout the program.

Freshmen

Dear Freshies, we are proud of you, We're sure you are the best; You've shown us that you are good sports, You've passed the "Freshmen test."

Keep up your work and be yourself! And keep yourself subdued; And you'll love Webster very much, And Webster will love you.

T. P. '31.

Mary Elizabeth Griffin recently visited in St. Louis at the home of Mrs. Fitzgerald. She attended the game between St. Louis University and Loyola

A LATINIST LAMENTS

When I do make a happy guess, participles, infinitives, and gerunds and gerundives, are always causing me embarrassment. Just put yourself in my place. "Now," said Sister, when I had finished the most perfect translation I had had for weeks, "what is the construction of 'admissos'?" There I sat and finally with the most pleased and proud smile I informed her that it was a future infinitive. "No, not a future infinitive." There was a slight emphasis on the future. That was a help, at least I knew something it wasn't. From the back row someone piped up, "It's a perfect." But by that time everyone had taken up Sister's viewpoint, and I was way behind. When I caught up with them I found out that 'admissos' had changed to a participle modifying 'eos' understood. I simply hadn't understood it, but I did have the story all straightened out, and the sad part was that I had prepared that lesson all by myself. (Apologies to Father Honeysuckle.)

WITH OUR ATHLETES

The basket ball tournament will begin before Christmas. The first game will be played between the sister teams, Seniors vs. Sophomores, December 10, while the Juniors and Freshies will play on December 17. The return games are scheduled for "after Christmas." There is little time left for practice, girls, so let's be there full force on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays—we who would be the basket ball champions. And—remember! much of the winning is done by the large and enthusiastic crowds of rooters.

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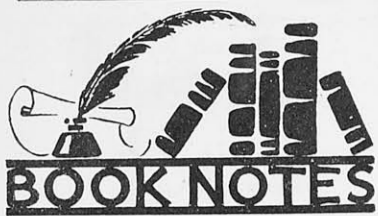
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After the heavy, somber, psychological, and rearsic war novels that have been prominent in the literary productions of post war Germany, the newly translated *Don Juan's Daughters* is most delightful. It is written by Irene Forbes-Morse, nee Crafin von Fleming, and translated by Oakley Williams. There are two other short novels, *Dream Children* and *The Burden*, besides the one which gives the book its title.

Don Juan's Daughters is a delightfully fanciful tale. It opens with the return of one Hilaria from a performance of Mozart's opera, "Don Juan." She tells her companion that she cannot bear to think of the romantic characters on the stage, donning civilian clothes and returning to a matter-of-fact world. They are too real to her and she likes to think, that instead of going back-stage to remove makeup, they have withdrawn to "their moonlit castles in Spain," where they are quaffing sweet, fiery wine to the accompaniment of guitars and violins, or strolling through pergolas, festooned with grapes, in their silken Spanish cloaks, like great fluttering butterflies." Well, out of all this, she proceeds to "weave you a story, and bake you a cake." There follows her highly imaginative tale of the further history of Don Juan's four daughters, after their father's death. When Hilaria's mood changes, the recital ends abruptly with "And Don Juan's little girls? I really can't bother about them any more." Thus closes the rather fragmentary, but most charming discourse of a fanciful young woman, whose ears are still ringing with the arias of Mozart's opera, and who can't bear, just yet, to drop back into history and draughty stage wings, the amorous Don and his interesting fancy.

Dream Children and *The Burden* are much more serious. The first tells the story of Christine, who after the death of her baby, gradually builds up for herself a dream world with dream children to mother. It is a psychological novel, pathetic, though not oppressively so. The effect it creates might be compared to that eerie and breathlessness of very early morning, before the sun appears.

The Burden is much more sordidly realistic than the other two. The burden is an idiot child reaching maturity, whose expense and care nearly ruins a family. But it is not all so gruesome as it sounds, for the story introduces a number of delightful characters, and also gives a vivid, moving picture of post war Germany, and incidentally has a happy ending.

The style of the three novels could hardly be improved upon. The characterization is masterly. The author has extraordinary ability to sketch in atmospheres and to paint great characters in a few bold strokes. The sweetly melancholic Christine, trying to bribe a keeper at the zoo to let the cuckoo out; the big, bustling, philanthropic Herr Biesendahl; and Tante, who is torn between her duty to the Society for Ownerless Cats and the "Society for the Protection of Birds: Amelia, the product of a country at war that has no time and little food to devote to a little girl just growing up; all of these and more are admirably drawn, and for the most part, quite lovable characters, whom it would be a ception hall.

PLANS FOR DEC. 8 DISCUSSED AT SODALITY MEETING

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lists of the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help conducted at St. Alphonsus (Rock) Church preceding the feast. She explained the picture of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, and the origin of the devotion.

There had been a contest to see how many of the girls had read the explanation of the titles of the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin. Which had been posted on the bulletin board. The prize—a lovely picture of the Madonna of the Chair—was won by Genevieve McBride.

A motion was passed to devote a few minutes of each Sodality meeting to this explanation instead of having it on the bulletin board.

Virginia Drummond read the plans for distributing food and clothes to the poor for Christmas, and appointed Dorothy Royal, Hortense Hogan, Ellen Predergast, and Katherine Bussman on the committee to urge the girls to cooperate in this work of charity.

Since it was education week, the officers distributed questionnaires investigating the Sodalists' attitude toward the organization's activities. The responses should be enlightening to both officers and members.

REV. GEORGE BYRNE, S.J., CHINA MISSIONARY LECTURES AT COLLEGE

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China the word and the good of western civilization. And China is responding.

But Paganism exists, and there are difficulties of language, climate, government antagonism, and many physical hardships that are entailed in the establishment of contact with the individuals of a nation like China. Is China worthy of these sacrifices, these often superhuman tests of endurance? In answering this question, Father related incidents of Chinese men and women who suffered barbarous tortures of body rather than renounce the True God; of an armless girl who gives all of her time and effort to a convent school; of Chinese boys who evince gratitude to the Fathers in little ways that mean much.

They are deserving of Catholic effort. But the religious on the Mission Field are helpless without aid from laymen here. Father enumerated three specific ways in which the Webster Students could help lighten the burden of those in China. He spoke of prayer, of giving "at least two minutes of generosity;" at least two minutes of genuine concentration on Chinese Missions. He stressed the need for religious in mission work and appealed to us, that we might, if called, answer without reservation of any sort. Lastly, he drew a comparison between financial contributions that Catholics might easily make and the contributions they usually do make.

In concluding his talk, Father Byrne asked that we might learn from the sacrifices and sufferings of those in mission lands, to give more readily and with more generosity, of the abundance, in more senses than one, of which we are possessed.

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CLUB CHAT

A long caravan of six cars wound its way over the highways toward Illinois early Saturday morning, November 15. The occupants, the Chemistry Club, were bound for Alton, Illinois, where they were to visit the Owens Glass factory.

The mixing chamber of the factory was visited first, and the intricate process of bottle-making and bottle-coloring was explained by the guide who had been appointed to take the group through the plant.

A visit through the packing department revealed the careful scrutiny that the bottles undergo before they are finally packed away by the women. All the machine parts are repaired at the factory. Letters are also carved in the molds by the workmen in the machine shop. It was interesting to notice that one South American firm was having its name cut from the mold for a whiskey bottle.

The company manufactures many of the bottles for nationally known products: for example, Johnson's floor wax, Hellman's mayonnaise, Coco Cola, etc. Moreover, there were large vinegar bottles, dainty perfume bottles, small sirup jugs, medicine bottles of all sizes, ranging from the very tiny, through the medium sized, to the larger kind.

After this fascinating tour, the members of the club had a picnic lunch at Chain of Rocks.

On Tuesday, November 17, a meeting of the Classical Club was held in the Classics Room of the College. The president, Miss Rosemary Hynes presided. After the minutes had been read and approved, Miss Margaret DeLisle read a very interesting paper on "The Use of Ponies in High School Latin." A brief discussion followed. Then Miss Virginia Drummond suggested that a series of meetings be devoted to discussing and translating the Romal Missal, but no action was taken. In order to furnish a new set of maps for the Classics department, the club voted a tax of fifty cents per member.

Once again the Webster "Songsters" have made a splendid showing. This time it was the occasion of an entertainment sponsored by the Parent-Teachers Association at the Mark-Twain School in Webster Groves on the evening of Tuesday, November 18. The selections given were Kilmer's "Tree," an arrangement by Kuhn, and Schubert's "Serenade." An encore was requested, but the Choral had not anticipated such an appreciation of their program and were unable to responde.

A special election of the Choral Club was called on November 10, for the purpose of electing a new vice-president to fill the office left vacant by the departure of Mary Margaret Everroad. Leona Simma, one of the outstanding altos, was unanimously elected.

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Big Game

It was the baseball season. The game opened with "Glue" at the stick, and "Measles" catching. "Cigar" was in the box, "Short-Cake" played short, and "Corn" was in the field. "Cabbage" was manager because he had a good head. "Egg" was umpire, and he was bad. "Song" made a hit, and "Sawdust" filled the bags. Then "Soap" cleaned up. "Cigar" went out, and "Balloon" started to pitch, but he went up in the air. "Ice" went in, and kept cool until he was hit by a ball—then you should have heard "Ice-Cream." "Lunatic" was put out because he was off his base. "Lightning" finished the game by striking out six men. "Bread" loafed on first, and "Light" was put out at third. "Crooks" stole second, and "Knife" was cut down at the plate. "Grass" covered lots of ground, and the crowd cheered when "Spider" caught a fly. "Steak" was put out at the plate. "Clock" wound up the game by striking out. If "Door" had pitched, he would have shut them all out.

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WEBSTER GIRLS CELEBRATE OUR LADY'S FEAST

VAUDEVILLE TO BE FIRST BIG EVENT OF NEW YEAR

January 14 and 15 Are
Dates Set for Per-
formances

The Webster students as well as their relatives and friends, are living in a state of joyful anticipation; they are looking forward to another vaudeville which will take place January 14 and 15.

The vaudevilles of past years have been delightful affairs, splendidly planned and excellently performed. All who have ever seen them know how entertaining they are with fun, frolics, songs and dances, cleverly executed by amateur actors whose love of their work puts something into the enjoyment of the evening that a strictly professional performance lacks.

So far, not all the plans have been completed, but Father Lord has taken a hand in the preparations, and has outlined some sketches which promise to be a real treat to the spectators.

The Senior class, as usual, has charge of the vaudeville, and consequently, Ann Ryan, class president, is kept very busy getting the arrangements into working order. All the members of the class are serving on the various committees.

In the tryouts it was difficult to choose from so many eager performers, but the following girls were selected for the tap dance chorus: Audrey Klorer, Mary McCarthy, Dorothy Leahy, Catherine McKenna, Frances Weber, Mary F. Perry, Catherine Hennage and Jane Fisher. For an old-fashioned clog dance, Josephine Reddin, Carol Coleman, Marie Wiebracht and Ann Ryan. The chorus for the finale

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LORETTO SOCIAL GUILD SPONSORS ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL CARD PARTY

Attendance at Social Event
Numbers About 150

One of the most successful card parties given this year by the Loretto Social Guild was held in the cafeteria on Tuesday evening, December 9, at 8 o'clock. The attendance numbered about 150.

There was an assortment of choice prizes for this party, as well as four attractive attendance prizes which were, two five dollar gold pieces, a pair of pillow cases, a center-piece consisting of a flower bowl and a pair of candle sticks.

Mrs. H. T. Bussmann and her Bebauer, Mrs. Joseph A. Bussmann, were very charming hostesses. The following ladies were on the committee in charge: Mrs. Wm. H. Gebauer, Mrs. Joseph A. Bussman, Mrs. Henry Berns, Mrs. J. Carmody, Miss Juliette Deiss, Mrs. Geo. L. Delany, Mrs. Henry L. Schawalle and Mrs. Catherine Meier.

REV. R. I. WILBUR LEADS SECOND OPEN FORUM

Joan of Arc and Miracles
Subject of Spirited Dis-
cussions at Open
Forum

On Thursday night, December 4, the Rev. Father Russell I. Wilbur pastor of the Notre Dame de Lourdes Church of St. Louis County, conducted the scheduled open-forum on George Bernard Shaw's "Joan of Arc" versus Hilaire Belloc's "Joan of Arc" for a group of men and women assembled at the Webster College auditorium. He drew from his listeners, not only undivided attention, but a most audible, dissenting and spirited discussion.

It is hazardous to determine the expectations of the various members of the audience. Undoubtedly there were some present to whom Shaw's interpretation of Joan of Arc, barring literary mastery, is distasteful. Again the assemblage probably held those who pass on Belloc's work as a mere tale. Whether Father Wilbur, cognizant of set-jaw attitudes, deliberately put into play a bit of group psychology, remains a matter of speculation. Certain it is that with apparent ease, he snatched from his hearers their trump cards.

Belloc's Beautiful Simplicity
On Bello's "Joan of Arc" Father Wilbur bestowed some few delicate phrases. He pronounced it "beautiful in its simplicity" and of an "archaic quaintness." He attributed to Belloc's creation a reactionary motive, an antidote to Shaw's rendition of the Saint. He viewed it as a story told objectively, without any attempt at knowing or analyzing the subject; told with the directness and strategy so characteristic of Belloc. Recommending this "pithy and concentrated narrative" as a primer in the study of the adolescent mind, Father lightly concluded his analysis of Belloc's Joan.

New Miracle Definition
Briefly Father made mention of Joan's personality as portrayed by Shaw. Still briefly he touched on Shaw's presentation of her miracles. And from this point, with extreme deftness, Father led his audience on, to a general discourse on miracles under viewpoint that he regarded as new. Lovers of Shaw and Belloc alike were obliged to resign to the nether lands their prepared antagonisms. They had come to the forum to defend their preferences. They remained to cogitate on the supernatural. Father Wilbur pointed out the necessity for a predispositive efficient cause for the working of a miracle. This dispositive efficient cause is the faith of the recipient. In the Gospel instances of the woman who touched the hem of the Saviour's garment; the daughter of Jairus; the unclean lepers; the man sick of the palsy; the boy possessed of a dumb spirit, Christ tells these that their faith has made them whole. The Blessed Virgin received Word into her heart before she conceived it in her womb. Catherine Laboure believed implicitly that she would one day see the vision which was later revealed to her. It is clearly evidenced from these examples that the faith of the individual merited the favor of the miracle.

Forerunner of Nationalism
Now Father came back to Joan. Shaw deems Joan eccentric in dress and in behavior. But Joan was a genius and genius knows no restriction. Her life proves her to

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SANTA CLAUS, LADEN WITH HEAVY CHRISTMAS PACK, MAKES VISIT TO WEBSTER

Brings with Him Gifts For Faculty and Freshies



DOROTHEA SHUFORD

President of the Junior Class, who had charge of the arrangements for the banquet.

WEBSTER DEBATERS ARE VICTORS OVER TEAM FROM ST. LOUIS U.

Judges Give Two to One
Decision to Webster
College

"Resolved: That the present problem of unemployment should be solved by the government," was the question debated in the Webster College auditorium, Tuesday evening, December 9, when Webster College supporting the affirmative, defeated the team of the Philalethic Society of St. Louis University.

Lakme Perez, Eleanor Carroll and Janet Widmer represented Webster College and Edward Fisher, Laurence Neville and Edward Walsh, St. Louis University.

Mr. Lee Carter was chairman for the evening and a very entertaining and competent chairman he proved himself. The judges were: Brother Francis, the debating coach of McBride High; Mr. M. Hart, president of Roosevelt High, and Mrs. C. C. Long, feature writer of the Globe Democrat.

The Webster debaters owe the greater part of their success to the able coaching of Mr. George Donovan, professor of the famous Current History class.

Greetings

To our kind professors and teachers, to our dear Sisters, and to the students, we extend our wishes for their happiness on Christmas Day and throughout the New Year.

The Christmas banquet, one of the biggest social events of the school year, was given in the cafeteria, Thursday evening, December 19, with Mother Linus acting as hostess. The tables were decorated with holly wreaths and red candles. After the banquet Father Donovan presented the seniors with their coveted pins. The students then raised their voices in praise of their Alma Mater bringing the banquet to a fitting close.

Every one then repaired to Social Hall, there to enjoy the annual Christmas party. The room was gaily decorated with wreaths and bells and over in one corner stood a Christmas tree sparkling with ornaments, snow and tinsel. Mary Hickman, one of the Junior hostesses, recited a beautiful poem to the Christ Child.

Suddenly, amid shouts tinkling of silver bells, old Santa made his appearance, bringing with him presents for the faculty and Sisters and very appropriate toys for the "Kiddies," the Freshmen.

The party was sponsored by the Junior class, of which Dorothea Shuford is president, Mary Brown, vice president; Kathryn Bussmann, secretary and Ruth McKenna, treasurer. Every Junior was on one of Santa's committees and worked earnestly and unselfishly for the success of the party.

The students take this opportunity to thank Mother Linus most sincerely for the lovely banquet, and also the Junior class who worked so hard to make the evening an enjoyable one.

FRESHMAN CLASS HOLDS ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Freshman Class met in Mission Hall on December 1, for the purpose of electing the class officers, the Sodality and Student Council representatives for the first semester. Sister Nerinckx, the Class Moderator, presided.

The girls elected to office were: president, Eleanor Carroll; vice president, Jane Dixon; secretary, Frances McKay; treasurer, Margaret Webster. Margaret McCord was elected Sodality representative and Frances Bittner was chosen to represent the Freshmen on the Student Council. The girls were elected by a plurality vote, except the Student Council representatives, who according to the Student Council constitution, was elected by a majority vote after one successful ballot.

The reason for delay in the Freshman election was due to the fact that few of the girls were known to each other and abilities and personalities had to be discovered before a representative group could be chosen.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY MARKS THE FEAST ON DEC. 8

Entire Student Body Re-
ceives Holy Communion
at Sodality Mass

On Monday, December 8, the annual reception into the Sodality took place. Impressive ceremonies and a delightful social event marked the occasion. Mass was celebrated in the College Chapel with Reverend J. P. Donovan, C.M., assisting. After Mass, the reception of the new members took place and likewise the enrollment in the Miraculous Medal. The chapel was appropriately decorated for the feast: white ribbons marked the pews of the Sodality aspirants and a profusion of white chrysanthemums embellished Our Lady's altar. The girl's choir furnished the lovely music and the Sisters sang the Loretto Vocation Hymn during part of the services.

A social breakfast was served in the cafeteria and after the breakfast, Bernice Wolff, Prefect of the Sodality, gave a talk. She welcomed the new members; offered a vote of thanks to Our Lady's Committee who had sponsored the breakfast; gave the results of the triduum and described the keynote of the glorious celebration best when she said: "We can be justifiably proud of our Sodality this morning. To see such a large group of our Sodalists voluntarily come out here this morning to pay homage to Our Blessed Mother; to see them unite themselves in prayer, receive Holy Communion in a group, and lastly to make, either for the first time, or to renew again, their act of consecration to Our Blessed Mother, is a proof that our Sodality really means some

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MIDNITE MASS TO BE CELEBRATED IN CHAPEL

However, Only Those Who
Reside at College Privi-
leged to Attend

This year owing to the new ruling of His Grace, Archbishop Glennon, midnight Mass will be dispensed with in all public churches in the St. Louis diocese, and only the members of the religious congregations living in the institutions, are to be privileged to attend the Mass at the convent.

Rev. J. P. Donovan, C.M., will celebrate the midnight Mass as usual on Christmas in the College Chapel.

Those who have for years enjoyed the privilege of attending midnight Mass at Webster, will no doubt, be disappointed and will necessarily be forced to arrange another time for their Christmas call.

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WHAT IS CHRISTMAS?

Not long ago an article by Harold Bell Wright on "Keeping Christmas" attracted my attention, and after reading through the article, three paragraphs fixed themselves firmly in my mind. They embody two things Christmas should not be (for some reason we delight in going after things in a negative manner), and one very definite thing Christmas should be.

"Things which are not properly 'kept' often change into something else. To that degree that Christmas is made a season of senseless extravagance, of hectic striving to keep up, of wild parties, loveless gifts, vulgar show, wicked pretense, and sham good will, it is not—most emphatically it is not—Christmas. It is something else—something monstrously profane."

"And those who look upon Christmas as a mere social obligation who observe it as a business courtesy, or use it as a vulgar advertising scheme, or think of it as a matter of money or environment or policy, they are the ones who talk about the "burden of Christmas"; who say, "Christmas should be abandoned." Poor foolish fold—if they only knew it, they have already abandoned Christmas."

"Rightly understood, Christmas can be nothing less, nothing more than Christian. It is Christ's Day, and the only spirit in which it can be truly celebrated is in the spirit of Him whose birth the day commemorates."

Christmas should indeed be Christ's day, a day for spiritual rejoicing, particularly for every Catholic soul.

After the four weeks of preparation for the receiving of the Infant into our hearts, the grand climax, His birthday, should make our happiness real and complete.

To capture the genuine spirit of Christmas we must allow ourselves to be captivated, to be taken in: we must manifest no reservations, must put up no barrages, no false fronts to the season that calls for "Peace to men of good will."

RESULTS OF A LEADER

Given an efficient leader, what results? Those following her guidance give the best in them to reach the goal set by such an organizer. Fortunately we have in our Sodality one who has the knack of arousing enthusiasm together with the blessed gift of ability to direct that enthusiasm.

Inspired by an earnest appeal from a truly earnest leader, the Sodalists responded readily and gave the day to our Blessed Lady wholeheartedly. Mass and reception of new members, followed by Communion breakfast, was the order of the day deemed fitting for the celebration of the feast of Our Lady's Immaculate Conception, and the outstanding lesson of that day, is a valuable one, let us profit by it. This feast was a test of our piety and devotion to our heavenly Mother and because our Prefect gave herself unrestrainedly to the cause we followed Her example.

CONGRATULATIONS!

We have accomplished something big in a new field of activity. We have opened the door and gone forward unhesitatingly in a new field of battle—and we have won the first campaign. We hereby congratulate ourselves. The debate was a success. Our representatives went in not knowing exactly "what it was all about," but by successful research and study they worked up a real case, presented it and won.

Splendid—but so is this—the student body backed up this new enterprise with close attention, real appreciation and record breaking attendance. Cooperation is half the battle.

PROM TIME IS NEAR

Webster's Annual Prom will be held in the first week of February. Everyone thrills with enthusiasm when our "Prom" is mentioned. The success of the Prom, of course, depends on the support of the students. It is the first formal dance that our Freshmen will be privileged to attend. We know they will enjoy themselves and in future years will mark the Prom the highlight of their school year just as the upper-classmen do.

Many get money for Christmas so we suggest that they keep the Prom in mind when spending it. For \$7.50 we assure you that you will have more fun than you have had in years. Let's all make our reservations early and put the Prom over with a bang!

You Blessed Babe

O come you in, you blessed Babe,
The cold has chilled you so.
Ah! wounds that rend your tiny feet
Leave marks of crimson on the snow.

O come you in, my little Lamb,
The tears freeze on your cheek.
How cruel of them to close their doors
When winds blow cold and bleak.

Ah hush, my sweet, your crying now,
Here's refuge in my arms.
I'll sing to you a lullaby,
Rest safe here from all harm.

O Mary, now I know your heart,
When first you held Him to your breast
Was wrong with woe at His littleness.

H. L., '33.

DEAR FRESHMEN:

How good you've been, my Websterites

Don't think that I don't know,
Remember that old Santa Claus
Is everywhere you go.

I watch each move and action that
All Webster Freshmen make

And all because I like to have
Them good for Webster's sake.

When ends the Christmas fun
My visit is so short

I have to write to you a note
Of counsel from my heart.

Be true to Webster College, girls,
Be loyal to the end,

Continue always your good works
And I shall be your friend.

Lovingly,

Santa Claus.

Noel-Night

Along the stretch of highland gleams afar

As desert sands roll on in reckless swirl,

Above a span of waste land Beth-lem's star

Beyond glooms' thrall a mid-night pearl.

—M. De L., '31.

Web Witticisms

Old Lady (witnessing tug-of-war for the first time): "Wouldn't it be simpler, dear, for them to get a knife and cut it?"

"Dear Lord," prayed the co-ed, "I don't ask anything for myself—just give mother a son-in-law."

Politician: "Congratulate me, dear. I got the nomination."

His Wife: "Honestly!"

Politician: "Why bring that up?"

H. Lenzen: "Say, have you eaten yet?"

C. Rochow: "Yes. Long time ago."

H. Lenzen: "Gee, I hope there's something left."

Waiter: "Are you Hungary?"

Broker: "Yes, Siam."

Waiter: "Den Russia to the table and I'll Fiji."

Broker: "All right, Sweden my coffee, Denmark the bill."

Little brother (to young man who has called): "Sister told me to entertain you till she came down."

Al: "Oh, she did, did she?"

Little Brother: "Yes—and I'm not to answer too many questions."

English women must be very stout. There was a story in the newspaper about one who lost five hundred pounds.

Alumnae Edition of Loretine Is Hailed As Great Success

Literary Quarterly Appears December 8

The Alumnae edition of the Loretine, which made its appearance on Monday, December 8, is a proof that the former Webster girls have not lost their love and loyalty for their Alma Mater.

It is the custom for the Alumnae to edit the first edition of the Loretine, and this year's issue is entitled "Beyond The College Walls." In it the Alumnae avail themselves of the opportunity to give to the Senior class, as well as to the rest of the college, an idea of their life in the "cruel, cold world." The articles on the various professions, careers and past-times acquaint us with the diversity of their occupations. The advertising copy-writer who writes jingles for children's Christmas books; the sociologist who benefits humanity; the College Registrar who deals with all sorts of individuals; the married, who invite others to try the great game; the missionary who salvages healthy souls; the gym teacher who trains healthy bodies and the school teacher who molds young minds.

The poetry whispers to us, that the "girls" have taken with them, into their other world, and retained, the eternal freshness that characterized them while at Webster. Two short stories, "Daddy's Letter," and "Team Work," are exceptionally well written and intensely interesting.

Miss Thelma Gesell who edited the Alumnae edition of the quarterly, is to be congratulated upon her splendid work.

The second number of the Loretine will be put out by the Webster College Staff of 1930-31, of which Thelma Pape is editor-in-chief; Margaret Ludden, business manager; Carol Coleman, art editor; Rosemary Hynes, Near and Far; Josephine Reddin, Circulation; Alice Clarke, Exchanges; Margaret De Lisle, Just Among Ourselves.



The Law Fraternity of St. Louis U., the Delta Theta Phi, held its dinner dance at the Hotel Jefferson on December 6. Among those Webster girls who attended were Kathleen Hamel, Carrol Coleman, Adelaide Murphy, Loretto Day, Ann Ryan, Rosemary Hynes, and Janet Widmer.

Virginia Caffery will visit Catherine Geary in Chicago during the Christmas holidays.

Adelaide Murphy and Mary Virginia Cummins are planning to attend the Christmas dance of the Mercier Club of Rolla School of Mines, Rolla, Mo.

Lucille Johnson has recently returned to school. She was at home ill for a time.

Marie Wibracht, Dorothy Kraft, Virginia Hennessey, Kathleen Hamel and Helen Graves attended the Blue and White dance, on December 2.

"Micky" Wise and Marie Schmucker enjoyed their visit to Chicago during the Thanksgiving holidays so much that they are firmly convinced that the best and nicest people live there, and we can't change their minds.

Margaret Reardon will visit Bloomington, Ill., and Cedar Rapids, during the Christmas holidays.

Mary Burtschi entertained her mother Sunday, December 14.

Virginia Hennessey and Margaret Veerheller had a delightful time last week-end at a house party given in their honor.

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

Heigh-ho! Christmas in the air—and good cheer everywhere! Holly wreaths and jolly smiles! Joy, mirth and gladness ringing clear in the fir tree scented atmosphere. Don't cha love it all?

There are things, which only the Christmas holidays can give you, such a thrill, as:

Midnight mass!
Sleighriding with the gang!
A tiny glowing candle in the window!

Holiday atmosphere from the five and ten!

The Crib!
Pretty Christmas cards!
A bright shining Christmas tree!
Carroling in the snow!

Jumbled thought—preholidayic—that Christmas shopping tour—miles and miles—poor feet!—the pretty crystal blue ornament broken, hidden presents in flour bins and elsewhere—the artificial snow stuck on you, the "last-day-finished" present, a surprising find, a perfect beauty! A nice old lady with pink gloves, nodding to herself—a Santa Claus—like fat man with red apple cheeks—a dancing gleeful tot with her new doll—not of the four hundred, but heaven bless 'em!

The puzzling part of Christmas is:

Why are red and green Xmas colors?

Who really says there ain't no Santa?"

Why isn't everyone's version of Christmas the same?

How can one keep the fuse of the colored lights from blowing out when guests are present?

Who invented the "Don't open until Xmas" slogan?

Now while we're at it again, did you ever—

Burst forth into the song, "Jingle Bells"?

Eat "new" snow?

Decorate for a Xmas party?

Spill when sleigh riding—6 per sled?

In my mind's eye, I have to chuckle when I think of the expression of surprise, which is certain to appear at the reception of your hand-made gift; or the view of my idea of old Saint "Nick" getting down these modern chimneys—I just know that jolly old fellow would say, "this suits me." Oh, yes, then that old ghost of "Did you forget," plays tag among the cobwebs of that precious little thing called brain, haunting your thoughts. Don't you forget anyone at all this year—From the saints to the orphans—remember them, if only in a "little way," and see if you don't get that "grand and glorious feeling"—S'fact based on experience.

Must go but I'm yours for happy holidays—"Laurie."

Sodality Notes

Three Hundred Plus

Our Sodality sponsored a triduum in honor of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, on December 5, 6, and 7. We set as our goal for those three days three hundred Masses and Holy Communions. Did we reach the goal? Indeed yes! Three hundred plus a few we were able to check from the total. In accomplishing such splendid results, we had to do some "indirect killing" of sloth.

Bundles, Bundles, Everywhere

The Sodality decided that as an outlet for real Catholic action we should collect clothes, toys and food for the poor for Christmas. The Sodalists realized the dire need of the poor and responded most beautifully to the appeal for help. We called the action, "Bundle Week." Bundles were to be placed in front of the door number 12, in Loretto Hall. Not once during last week, but often, did we fall over the many bundles. Certainly, we have pleased, by such action, the Christ, who told us that whatever we do for others, in His name, we do for Him.

Selfish Seniors?

The Senior day students set out to prove during Advent that College girls, the Webster Sodalists in particular, aren't selfish. They decided that they would try to sacrifice a little from their lunch allowance and to put the money in a common fund. Each day a small tin box passed "secretively" under the table received the little contributions, and the money was used to buy food for the poor for Christmas. Shall we call them selfish Seniors?

Did you know that there are over seven million Sodalists in the world? Imagine the power of such united prayer!

No Holiday for Sodality

Once a Sodalist always a Sodalist and hence there is no vacation from being a Sodalist. During the

holidays, do not forget to go to Mass as often as possible, to receive the Sacraments, to make visits, to say prayers to Our Lady, not only for yourself, but for your fellow Sodalists and for your Sodality. Remember that Christmas time is Christ's time!

Sodality Union

A meeting of the Sodality Union of St. Louis was held on Sunday, December 7th at St. Louis University. Plans for the distribution of the articles for the poor for Christmas were definitely formulated and ideas for a big city Sodality rally were discussed. The officers of our Sodality were present at this inspiring meeting.

And Now What?

Our last Sodality meeting of 1930 is over, and we naturally ask ourselves, "what has the Sodality accomplished?" The success of such an organization can be measured only by what has been done for individual souls. The answer to this question, then, God alone knows, yet we can surmise, in part at least, just how much good we have done by the results of our triduum, by the excellent showing on December 8th, by the success of Bundle Week, etc. And now, are we going to go forward, or backward?

Immediately, after the holidays the group Sodality work will continue where it left off. Already the plans for next year have been discussed by the Student Spiritual Council. Let us make sincere New Year's resolutions to be not only as good Sodalists as we were last year, but also and even to be more devout, more loyal—if that be possible!

Watch for the announcement of the Sodality meeting which no true Sodalist, or no true Loretto girl will want to miss. The meeting will be sometime in January.

The Magi brought Him gold, frankincense and myrrh. Sodalists, bring Him that which is dearest to Him—a pure soul!

Mistletoe!

A century ago William Hone in his "Everyday Book" wrote "Girls although they are ladies are kissed under the mistletoe." This old Druidic custom has survived many generations and is still popular.

Among the ancient Druidic's the mistletoe was regarded with utmost respect. They cut sacred mistletoe with a gold knife and hung it over doors to bring the atmosphere of the woodlands into their houses.

They thought only happiness could enter under the mistletoe which was gathered at the time of the winter festival and distributed in small quantities among the people. Each person hung up a bit of the mistletoe above the entrance to his or her dwelling place to keep out evil spirits.

The Romans used laurel as an emblem of peace, joy and victory. Later the laurel was adopted by Christian people and used as decoration in the windows of the houses to indicate that Christ had entered there.

The holly wreath appears to represent the crown of thorns which Christ wore on the cross, the little red berries symbolizing the drops of blood.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING!

What are the first signs of the Christmas season posted in every store window, on every street corner and most any place? Everybody knows the answer to that—"Do your Christmas Shopping Early."

In this modernized world that is the popular sentiment, the buying of gifts and the disposal of them, nevertheless it really is a lovely sentiment. Some people give gifts just because they are accustomed to do it and others give them for the sheer love of it. It is the one time of the year when the sad lot of the poor is remembered and brought before the minds of the public.

However, all this is very noble but have you ever tried doing "Christmas Shopping Early" for the Infant Jesus? It really is a lot of fun. You can put down on your list wood, straw, sheets and some warm woolly blankets. Of course, you understand the wood for the crib is so many Masses, the straw so many Holy Communions, the sheets so many visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and the blankets could be so many acts of self-sacrifice. And when on Christmas eve you have finished your "Christmas Shopping" and you have this to offer to the Child you will feel the real pleasure of giving.

FIRST ISSUE OF K. G. P. BULLETIN IS PUBLISHED

St. Louis Chapter of Honor Society in Charge of "Trial Edition"

Kappa Gamma Pi, the National Scholastic and Activity Honor Society of Catholic Women's Colleges, has published its first K. G. P. News Bulletin.

The December issue, a trial number was published by the St. Louis Chapter of the society, under the supervision of Miss Cecil Mary Ronan, national president of the organization and editor of the publication. The associate editors are Miss Theresa Shea, chapter president, Miss Thelma Gesell and Miss Veech Matthews.

The Washington meeting in August, was the first to suggest an organ of the honor society; the Chicago meeting approved it; and the national president and the St. Louis Chapter undertook to publish a trial News Bulletin.

The paper gives very interesting accounts of the activities of the various chapters, as well as some clever feature columns entitled, "We Heard That," Postgraduate Study is Popular; K. G. P.'s Have Interesting Positions, etc. The editorials written by members of the society residing in St. Louis, New York, Washington and Pittsburg, are varied in subject matter and are written in clever style.

The make-up of the paper and the selection of material used therein, is to be highly commended.

The Web offers congratulations to the editor and members of the staff, and sincerely hopes that the "Trial Edition" is only the beginning of the K. G. P. News Bulletin.

Alumnae News

The score suggests that the Army-Notre Dame game at Chicago was an exciting one. Gertrude Jolley, Marie Schere, Josephine Thompson and Ruth Dockery were there and even the rain didn't dampen their enthusiasm.

"Rap," Lucille Rapillard, of Little Rock, Arkansas, visited her friends at Webster a short time ago. Some few of them wondered if the chief attraction in the state of Missouri was her Alma Mater only. How about it, "Rap?"

Here is a wedding announcement. Agnes Tuschmidt of '27, has set the date of her wedding for sometime during the Christmas holidays.

Not long ago, Webster had a visitor by the name of Pearl Broderick. She is teaching English, History and Economics at the Vandalia, Illinois High. Her presence brought back to the seniors, memories of freshman days, particularly initiation week ceremonies. Are you as strict with your pupils as you were with the Freshmen, Pearl?

Miss Olive Crivello of Alton, Illinois, and a former Webster girl, received the religious habit on the December 8, Miss Crivello's name in religion is Sister Mary Olive.

Curly Coyne must cherish the name of Webster. She is teaching at the Webster Grammar School in East St. Louis.

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Frances McKay and Aurea Ojeman were elected captains of the Freshman A and B basketball teams, respectively.

The B teams of the Sophs and Freshies clashed, and the result was a score of 38-13 in favor of the Sophs. The game brought to light many interesting possibilities—for instance, Helen Leuer, who more than displayed her agility in this, her first game. Lillian Casey was an outstanding forward on the Sophs' team, of which Marion Hange acted as captain.

Among the outstanding players on the Freshies team were Dorothy Leahy, and Grace O'Brien.

The line up was as follows:

Marion Hange	F.	A. Ojeman
L. E. Ball	G.	G. O'Brien
Lillian Casey	F.	E. Tate
Audrey Klorer	J.C.M.	Schweitzer
H. Hogan	S.C.M.	McCarthy
Helen Leuer	G.	D. Leahy

The basketball tournament opened on Wednesday evening, December 10, with an exciting struggle between the Junior and Freshmen. All of the Juniors were in splendid form and their training of the two previous years stood them in good stead. The Freshies have splendid material for a fine team but still need just a little practice to perfect themselves. Don't be discouraged Freshies, you have the old addage, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

The struggle for victory was a heated one from the first moment of play. A basket for the Juniors—then one for the Freshies, nip and tuck throughout the game. The final score was 29-20 in favor of the Juniors. If all the tournament games are as exciting as this one, the games should never lack rooters. Let's fill the gym to capacity for the Senior-Sophomore game. The line-up consisted of the following girls:

Juniors	Freshmen
G. McBride	F. McGirl
J. Reddin	P. Webster
M. Wilde	J.C. L. Schmucker
M. Wiebracht	S.C. E. Tate
R. Gotlob	G. F. McKay
K. Bussmann	G. M. Brun

Impressive Ceremony

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thing to us that our Catholic Faith is a vital, throbbing thing, and that Our Immaculate Mother has no meager place in our lives."

Reverend Father Donovan, the director of the Sodality, then spoke. He exhorted the Sodalists to be like the good knight of Isabella's court, whose coat of arms carried the words, "Ave Maria." Father reminded the girls of his previous advice to overcome the "double F" complex and for their big objective for the year, he suggested that the Sodalists not only try indirectly to kill this complex, but that they also practice the virtue of "Spiritual Spunk." A few words from the Reverend Father O'Malley, an "Ave Maria," sung beautifully by Leona Simma and the program concluded with the singing of "Mother Dear Oh Pray For Me" by the entire Sodality.

The breakfast was served by Our Lady's Committee of which Sister M. Felicitas is moderator and Jane Burke, chairman. Other members of the committee are: Thelma Pape, Margaret Reardon, Anita Baisis, Mary Rose Burke, Margaret Kinberger, Mary Elizabeth Augustus, and Leonore Crowe.

The tables were decorated in yellow and white—the school colors.

Joan of Arc and Miracles Subject of Spirited Discussion at Open Forum

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have been the forerunner of Nationalism and of Protestantism. On all this by Shaw, Father made little comment except to say that the convention and discipline of the Church today would make another Joan quite difficult if not entirely impossible. Closing his formal discussion with a few "beautiful lines" of Shaw, Father threw the subject open to discussion.

Mr. Cyril Clemens, a resident of Webster, started the ball rolling. He sought a reason for the elapse of centuries between Joan's death and her canonization. To this Father made answer that France was restless for newness. Another question from the floor: What attracted Shaw to Joan? Father said that Joan's appeal, dramatic and universal, proved irresistible to one of Shaw's temperament. Too, George Bernard Shaw, in his delvings, has come to the Middle Ages. Father estimated that seven hundred additional years of a life of research would just about toe the line for Shaw's conversion to Catholicism.

Mr. Lee Carter, a St. Louis U. Alumnus, proved to be one of our lovers of Belloc. He would like to know why Belloc's book was so indifferently disposed of; and Father asked, rhetorically, whether Belloc, dispoing of others in just this manner, does not himself deserve a taste of the treatment he deals out. Much questioning centered about the reason why the Church today would not be likely to produce another Joan. That question is still unanswered, since, at one juncture the lecturer admitted himself intellectually embarrassed. Mr. Lee Carter again took the floor. He had come to the forum, he said, in the hope that he would learn something new about miracles. Manifesting an insatiable hunger for information, he told the assemblage that this hope had been dashed to the ground. Explanations were forthcoming from the lecturer, but Mr. Carter remained dubious.

What Is A Miracle?

Father James P. O'Malley, taking exception to Father Wilbur's unqualified assertion that miracles must have a dispositive efficient cause, cited the case of Alphonse Ratisbonne, a Jew, professing no faith in the Church, in fact hating the church, and withal the recipient of the miraculous appearance of Our Lady in the chapel of St. Michael in the Church of St. Andrew at Rome. How could Father Wilbur account for this, hate having been the disposition. Father answered with a universal truism; "the nearest thing to love is hate."

When Mr. Clemens asked why Belloc, giving such huge volumes to the lives of statesmen, gave so measly a book to Joan of Arc, Father opened Belloc's "Joan of Arc" and called attention to the dedication: "To Elizabeth." He re-called a previous work by the same author, "Economics For Helen," and asked, was it not possible that this book was intended as "History For Elizabeth!" The last to take the floor was the Rev. J. Courtney Jones, pastor of the Webster Groves Episcopal Church.

VAUDEVILLE TO BE FIRST BIG EVENT OF NEW YEAR

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has not yet been chosen. Mary F. Perry and Josephine Reddin have charge of all the dancing.

Thelma Pape and Alice Widmer are directing the skits, so everyone may feel assured that they have something to look forward to. Nerinx Hall's part of the program is really good. Anyone who could see it and refrain from laughter has a poor sense of humor.

Since it will be particularly difficult to finance the annual this year, the proceeds of the vaudeville are to be used for this purpose and every student is asked to give her whole-hearted support toward making the vaudeville a real success.

WEBSTER STUDENTS HEAR LECTURE ON RUSSIAN DRAMA

Mr. Kenyon of the New York Theatre Guild, Is Speaker

Last Thursday, Webster College was favored with the presence of Mr. Kenyon of the Theatre Guild of New York. Opening his talk with a humorous dissertation on the theatre of yesterday, he gradually led up to the legitimate stage of today, making his keynote, the Russian drama.

Religion was the first factor in the birth to Drama for primitive people dramatized their religion. The Greek attending a theatrical production was performing a religious rite. Hence from its inception, the theatre has been a vital factor in the lives of nation and individuals.

Only a few years ago the theatre, particularly here in America, was vastly inferior to our present day theatre. The plays were for the most part cheap "thrillers" based on the same theme and produced in the same style. Yet these plays instilled a certain love for the theatre. Mr. Kenyon's personal account of some of the old "thrillers" was very amusing and interesting. "The Span of Life" was a play in which heroic acrobats piled three high forming from one precipice to another a bridge over which the heroine clutching her "cheild" walked to safety. The "villian" was left on the other side.

Ivan Turganiff, a Russian novelist, some eighty years ago, wrote "Sportsman's Sketches," the first Russian play to be translated into English. The play deals with the poor slaves of the country and is Russia's "Uncle Tom's Cabin." This book, with its Liberalistic views, brought the Czar's suspicion on him, and to avoid difficulties, Turganiff left Russia for Paris. It was here that he wrote his great play, "A Month in the Country." Madame Nazimova, a Russian actress, came to the United States without knowing a word of English, but she learned the language in six months and took the leading part in this popular play. The settings for this play were painted by M. S. Dovosensky, and they are redolent of the Russian atmosphere.

In Russia today drama is used as actual propoganda driving home the idea of Communism. Moscow is the theatrical center of the world.

"If more people would go to see the good dramas, the number of stupid and immoral ones would decrease. College girls should appreciate good plays and attend them. The only way to have good plays is to patronize them when the opportunity is afforded," concluded Mr. Kenyon.

CLUB CHAT

Shubert's "Serenade" and di Chiara's "In Spain," were the two numbers presented by the choral club at their first appearance of the year in the musical, Monday evening, December 15.

Sister Adeline has been "keeping something from us" but the secret is ours now. We have discovered that the two numbers so well sung by Leona Simma—"Lullaby" and "The Silver Penny" are Sister's own compositions. Those Day sisters too, have surprised us. We did not know that they could sing so well together.

The choral, we are told, has more

surprises in store for us. And—Carollers! ! don't forget Christmas Eve!

The Sigma Epsilon Rho, Classical Club of Webster College, held its regular meeting on Tuesday, December 10, at 1 o'clock.

Bernice Wolff read a humorous article by Wm. Lyons Phelps, entitled "Cashing in on the Classics."

It was decided that the next meeting, be held on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1931. At this meeting, which will be an open one, Alice Clarke will read a play of Euripides, the great Greek dramatist.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend and the club assures its visitors of worthwhile entertainment.

At subsequent meetings, it has been decided that such classical authors as Junenal, the Satirist, and Catullus, the young poet who has been compared to Keats, will be considered, for the benefit of

those students whose schedules are limited and are thus deprived of becoming acquainted with the numerous classical authors.

The Poetry club met in the English room on Friday, December 5, and discussed Louis Untermeyer, for this meeting, a man who, is more noted for his anthologies than for his own poetry, although he is considered quite a modern poet.

Margaret De Lisle gave a brief account of his life and Miss Pape discussed his anthology, "Yesterday and Today." All the poems we learned or memorized way back, when we were in the grades were once again revived in our memory, for those poems of the days of yore are found in thi santhology under the section "Yesterday."

The meeting was a very interesting one, and original poems were read by Miss Lenzen, Miss Geary and Miss DeLisle. Plans were then made for the Christmas meeting which will be an open meeting.

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REV. P. DOOLEY LECTURES ON WORLD TOUR

Sufficient has been read of foreign lands to create in youth, an appetite for travel. Lectures, with enthusiasm and highly colored descriptions, have sown the restless seed of wander-lust in the hearts of their listeners. But Father Dooley, addressing Webster students on Thursday, Jan. 9, distinguished himself in his travelogue by his very unique quality of presentation.

He launched his talk on a rather discouraging note, declaring positively that travel abroad should be undertaken less for pleasure than for education; that traveling is a "job" and as such, should yield more in the way of fruit, than could possibly be reaped by a pleasure trip.

The college student, forever with her nose to the grindstone, battling with elements of grammar, science, literature and the like, who has often dreamed of a sea voyage as a respite from gritty mental toil, was to receive a set-back at this lecture. For Father Dooley, for forty-five minutes, elaborated on the "Red Tape" and discomforts that threaten to submerge the individual who would enter foreign ports. In Japan, for example, reams and more reams of questions must be answered, questions regarding the possession and contents of books, pamphlets and bottles. In most Oriental countries, precautions must be taken against typhoid, small-pox and cholera. Words like Quinine and Vaccine, words hardly to be associated with a trip, seemingly play important roles here. Foods vary with peoples and it is the duty of the voyageur to wheedle his digestive system to the reception of strange concoctions. In the

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Place and Date of Crusade Convention Is Announced

The seventh National Convention of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade will be held at Niagara University, Niagara Falls, N. Y., June 29-July 2, 1931, according to the announcement of Msgr. Frank A. Thill, National Secretary. National headquarters of the Crusade are at the Crusade Castle, Cincinnati.

Student and faculty representatives of 3,000 Catholic educational institutions will take part in the convention, which will also bring together a number of noted Catholic missionaries from the home and foreign fields.

Approval of the convention place, date and preliminary program has been given by the National Executive Board of the Crusade, which includes Archbishop John T. McNicholas of Cincinnati and Archbishop Francis J. Beckman of Dubuque. Bishop William J. Turner of Bucalo, in whose diocese the convention will be held, has also given his approbation.

Variety and Fun Mark Webster's Vaudeville

Annual Show Provides Plenty of Laughs

Old-time vaudeville with a new accent; Vodvil, with here a farcial aspect; there, harmony of sound, color and movement; again a touch of sun from way down South; even the Bowery of yesterday, the much discussed Lower East could claim some few delegates.

It was a college vodvil. Even the arrangement of the program smacked of a whimsical loyalty to Alma Mater. Flashing red and white a galaxy of girls "Matriculated" in a chorus number of rhythmic unity, beating an even tattoo with the tap step; Nerinx Hall in the guise of characters who made and were made by history, fiction and radio, went through the formalities of "Registration" on the eighteenth hole of a miniature golf course; two darkies of darkest hue, with a clothesline and borrowed laundry, gave to "Initiation" Southern wit and humor.

To rest as it were, from this toil, "Relaxation" came in the form of a gliding tableau of the sort gentility, the restful quiet of the life and song of our mothers (or is it our grandmothers?), still more enhanced by a solo ballet number. But relentlessly "Examinations" come to the fore and Maggie Barry, deserted at the altar, so far forgets herself as to make public her grief; to pierce the air with a shriek of "Patrick, your Maggie is here!", probably causing many an innocent Patrick to examine his conscience under cover of the darkened house.

Maggie quits the stage as she is about to enter upon conjugal bliss. Here to relieve the tension just passed, "Holidays" are granted with a Scarf Dance; an airy thing, rendered fantastical by lights red, green and blue, alternated with semi-shadow. Spelling "Reorganization" came another chorus number, this time boasting a leading-lady in the role of Helen Kane come a'boop-de-boop-ding. There must be a ventriloquist and a dummy. Shows have been known to fail for far less than that. For the first time in the history of the stage ventriloquist, the dummy asserted herself, leaving the master "down

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Mrs. Sankey Attends Dramatic Convention at Chicago

Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, the head of the Dramatic Art Department at Webster resumed her regular class work this week at Webster after the break of the holiday season.

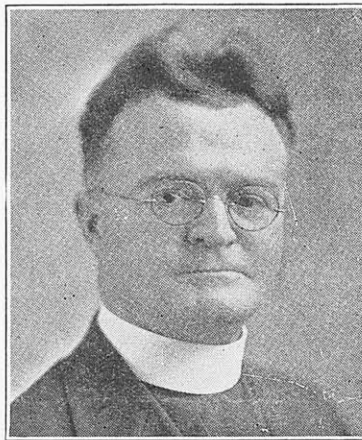
Mrs. Sankey has returned to the College imbued with a wealth of advanced ideas for her Dramatic classes. She attended the Fifteenth Annual Convention of the National Association of Teachers of Speech held at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, December 29, 30, 31, and January 1. The American Society for the Study of Disorders of Speech held a meeting at the same time,

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FR. R. M'CARTHY TO ADDRESS THIRD FORUM

"Faith Healing" to Be Subject of Talk on
January 30

On Friday evening, Jan. 30, at 8:15, in the auditorium of Webster College, the Rev. Raphael C. McCarthy, S.J., will deliver the third of a series of talks before the Open Forum, sponsored by the Loretto Foundation.



REV. R. C. MCCARTHY, S.J. His subject will be "Faith Healing." Father McCarthy will discuss such meetings as Amy McPherson, the Evangelist, and Christian Scientists hold, and he will answer questions along the order of, "are there any cures at Faith Healing meetings, and if so, are they miraculous?" Father McCarthy is professor of Psychology at St. Louis University. He is well known to St. Louisans as both a lecturer and psychologist. His Lenten sermons in recent years at the Cathedral and "College" church, attracted much attention. Father was the retreat master for the Webster students last year. Anyone who has ever had the good fortune to hear Father McCarthy, will want to hear him again.

The Loretto Foundation is indeed fortunate in securing Father McCarthy as the speaker for this third meeting. It is hoped that all those who were present when Rev. D. A. Lord, S.J., and Rev. R. I. Wilbur spoke, will return on Jan. 30, and bring their friends with them.

Once more, the Loretto Foundation promises a delightful evening to all Webster's friends.

Mr. W. V. O'Donnell of Webster Groves will be the chairman of the meeting.

Calendar of Coming Events

- Jan. 22—Mission Lecture.
- Jan. 30.—Open Forum.
- Jan. 26.—Mid-year exams.
- Feb. 2.—Prom.
- Feb. 3.—Holiday.
- Feb. 4-7.—Retreat.

Jefferson Hotel to Be Scene of Prom on Feb. 2

When: Monday evening, Feb. 2.
Where: Italian Garden, Hotel Chase.

What: The biggest event of Webster's social year, The Prom.

Girls, get out your dance programs and fill them, and select your loveliest evening frock, and all its accessories for the traditional dinner-dance of your own College. Everyone's going!

The Freshmen, en masse, isn't this their first Webster Prom? Sophomores and Juniors, anxious for the smartest occasion to be attended throughout 1931. The Seniors? Who could hold them from their last Prom with their own schoolmates? And, last but not least, the Alumnae whose representation will be proof of the lasting enjoyment of the peppiest dance presented by the Student Council.

But, Our Dates? Of course. Those very considerable complements to all the merrymaking on Feb. 2. Tall, dark, and handsome; lithe, blonde, or winsome; the Council is laboring earnestly to see that each girl has the desire of her heart and the most delightful time possible. Just ask any one of them.

Com'on Websterites, this isn't a duty, it's a pleasure, is OUR WEBSTER PROM!

Rev. A. A. Malloy to Conduct Retreat, Feb. 4-7

Retreat for Webster students, will be held on Feb. 4, 5, and 6, the Wednesday, Thursday and Friday following the mid-term holiday, with the general Communion and closing exercises on Saturday morning, Feb. 7, at 8 o'clock Mass. The Retreat Master will be the Rev. Anthony A. Malloy, C.M., of St. Vincent's Church, St. Louis.

The Retreat is a regular academic exercise of the College year, and hence, attendance of all Catholic students is expected. The talks will be practical and readily applicable to the problems of the Catholic College Woman. The Retreat of Nerinx Hall will be given at the same time by the Rev. James P. O'Malley, C.M., of Kenrick Seminary.

Two Honor Guests Pay Visit to Webster College

The members of the Faculty warmly welcomed Reverend Mother Olivette, Superior General of the Sisters of Loretto, and Mother Ann Marita, Secretary General, on their arrival at Webster College, Thursday evening, January 15. The student body wishes to sound its word of welcome also, and to express the hope that every one of them may have the pleasure of meeting Reverend Mother, and Mother Ann Marita, who was a member of Webster's faculty for several years. It is hoped that both Superiors may be able to be present at some of

REV. P. SALMONI LECTURES ON MODERN INDIA

Rt. Rev. Archimandrite Phillip Salmoni Charms Audience with Illustrated Lecture

"Life in India" was the subject of the illustrated lecture given by the Rt. Rev. Phillip Salmoni, ii. Webster College auditorium on Thursday, January 16.

Following the scheduled lecture, Dr. Salmoni gave a short discourse on the Greek Catholic Church, explained some of the practices and ceremonies, and displayed the vestments used in the Byzantine rite.

"India," said the Doctor, quoting from Ramsay Macdonald's book "The Awakening of India," fascinates you and intrigues you. It is a land of enchantment. It possesses a culture which defies the complete understanding of the Western world, a psychology which will always baffle Occidentals. "The spirit of the East," he said, "is immortal. It is kept flaming by the faith of the mothers."

"To appreciate this lecture, that must be understood and in addition I shall give you a few salient facts regarding the nation. There are 400,000,000 people, with an average annual of -17.50. Ninety percent of the men and ninety-five percent of the women are illiterate. Hinduism is the prevailing religion, although there are many sects there. In addition to the English government

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Members of Faculty Attend Convention

Music Teachers' National Association Holds Meeting at Hotel Statler

Sister Mary Adeline, Sister Mary Paula and Sister Mary Kathleen, teachers of music at the College, attended all sessions of the three day fifty-fourth convention of the Music Teachers' National Association held at the Hotel Statler in St. Louis during the holidays. The Deans and other members of the Faculty at Webster College attended some of the sessions.

Music selections were features of the convention but most of the time was devoted to talks and papers by noted music authorities. Dean James T. Quarles of the School of Fine Arts of the University of Missouri is quoted as saying: "The greatest problem before the American University today is how to offset the strong drift toward purely vocational education to the neglect of all cultural studies, including music. He also stated that "music, once regarded patronizingly by college officials, is slowly winning a place of equality with the other humanistic studies in institutions of higher learning."

the activities of the College, and that their visit will be a lengthy one.

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OUR RETREAT

This is an age of high pressure salesmanship, for we of today are a skeptical crowd. So the story runs, and it does savor of the smart. But let us drag to light the debris of long past incidents, and can we deny that a tongue sufficiently honeyed, a line sufficiently new, a wit sufficiently diverting, in other words, that some one attribute of salesmanship, given the psychological time and place, can persuade us that on the purchase of this or that commodity hangs the happiness of a lifetime?

True, we are gullible as regards the tangible, but we will not be "taken in" by an idea. Ideas, we reflect, are rather slim, evasive things. As it were a pre-ordained tradition, since Adam and Eve rejected the First Idea for a spurt of curiosity, only a Gethsemane will sell an idea. And even then there are reservations.

It is, consequently, with much timidity that we approach the Retreat as a new idea; a get-together, we and God; a confab after a fashion; a spiritual stock-taking. Our Mass each morning is little more than a "cheerio," a daily salutation entailing Thanksgiving, Contrition and promises for a new start. Our daily lives are hops, skips and jumps, with spaces in between, just about enough, we say, to keep body and mind abreast the times. And the College, indulgent because we are young, sets aside three days out of the whole year; three days for a visit with ourselves and with the Spirit that abides within us; three days to consider what we have accomplished so far, in the light of good living; three days to question ourselves concerning the Tomorrow; to listen to the good counsel of the Master; to come away easy in heart and mind and strengthened in soul, thirsty and hungry only in so far as we would drink and eat those rituals that make for Life. And now, confronting ourselves openly and honestly, can we grant the Retreat as anything less than a withdrawal from the obscurity of matter, to the light of the Divine Mind?

EVENTS

Christmas vacation did not retard the rate of student activities at Webster. The 1931 calendar of events is quickly filling up, and Webster girls are "booked up" for big things ahead.

Our "Vod-Vil," the successful culmination of three weeks feverish work, is over. Regular breathing has again become an unconscious action. This respiratory condition, however, is only temporary, for "it won't be long now" till we trip the light fantastic at the famous, glorious, beautiful PROM—the social event of the year. Each and every individual student is excited over the PROM (or something is wrong somewhere).

Immediately following the Prom we are going to lend our support to the literary publication of our college—the Loretine. This is the first call for Loretine support. Learn something about Webster's literary quarterly and back it.

Next we shall enjoy another Forum. Our Forums have called forth enthusiastic comments from the crowds attending. They realize that discussions on topics of current interest are valuable.

Soon we are to enjoy the privilege of having a University debate in our auditorium. Keep alive your interest in debates by attending the Arkansas U.-St. Louis U. debate February 17.

January and February are big activity months. Keep up with them.

EXAMINATION—SCHOLASTIC AND SPIRITUAL

We are having all kinds of examinations in the all too near future. Scholastic achievement—a study in black and white—is the picture we will be making for many days and nights, for no good reason at all, except that the professors have forgotten whether or not we are smart and they haven't any other means of learning the truth—bitter or sweet. Had they asked they would have received—valuable answers. Examination week should not be a week of terror; for a semester well spent always leads to a good end. The week is soon over; the semester's work is numerically summed; the records are tucked away. And we pass on to the next hurdle.

Immediately following the scholastic exams we enter upon a three-day spiritual exam. The retreat is a period of retrospection; of prayer and thought; an outward renewal of faith. It is the most precious privilege offered to students of a Catholic College. Whether it be the first or last, we should all fall into line and make this one our best retreat. FORWARD! MARCH!

NEW FACES

There is a new face in our midst! A nice, new, clean-looking face which looks reproachfully, even menacingly down upon the "late comers" making their way to eight o'clock classes.

To phrase it dramatically, the old times (varying times) are gone forever, for this Master program clock will be regulated by the International Time Recording Company, which installed it, and the various bells operated by the clock, will regulate, not synchronize the class attacks of faculty and students on the Castle of Knowledge.

The uninitiated may be interested to learn something of the workings of such a time piece. Beneath the face of the master clock—there are four smaller clocks in the system—is a disc containing numerous adjustable clips, one for each moment of the twenty-four hours, hence the possibility of having the bells ring at any, and even every moment of the day and night.

A heavy disc type calendar drum is arranged to silence the bells at night, on Sunday, and in Loretto Hall early in the morning.

The schedule of this calendar drum is set up individually for each bell circuit for a period of a week. Different schedules may be set up for different days of the week.

There is a new electric clock in the cafeteria but it is not attached to the master program clock. It has a complacent face, though it does watch the girls at their lunch.

The teacher was putting questions to the class. "What do we call a man," he asked, "who keeps on talking and talking when people are no longer interested?"
 "Please, sir," replied a boy, "a teacher."

Al: "How long will it be before your sister makes her appearance?"

Little Brother: "She's upstairs making it now."

Why do M. McCord and H. Hogan shun the second compartment in the Blue Room?

Alumnae News

Stella Cavanaugh, who is teaching in South Dakota, spent the Christmas holidays in Clare, Iowa.

Agnes Tuschmidt was married to Earl G. Smith, Dec. 29, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Rev. Patrick O'Connor was celebrant at the nuptial Mass. Rosemary Tuschmidt, sister of the bride, and Randall Sherer were the attendants.

The wedding of Mildred, "Binks," Hennage of Tulsa, Okla. and Lucien Blackmer Mueller, took place Christmas day. The bride's sister, Kathryn, and Gersham Ward served as attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Mueller have made their new home in Maplewood.

Elizabeth Coakley, who has been teaching at Brumley, Mo., spent the Christmas vacation at home in St. Louis. While here she entertained some of her former classmates.

Pearl Broderic visited Websterites the past week-end, when Vandalia High, at which she is teaching, played Webster High.

Katherine Cummins is visiting in Garden City, Kansas.

We have just heard of the marriage of Kathryn Haskins to Mr. Frank Pfeifer.

Article By Webster Professor Published

"What can seminaries offer from their curriculum as a possible equivalent for what the state and regional standardizing agencies demand for the Ph.D.?" was the question discussed by the Rev. Leo P. Foley, C.M., S.T.D., in a paper read before the National Catholic Educational Association, at the last convention, the full report of which has just been published in book form.

In the article, Father Foley tells how the seminary curriculum meets the requirements of the Ph.D. and M.A. degrees.

NOT THAT IT MATTERS!

All Wise Ones, can you tell me what has become of:

- Hah Jong?
- Short skirts?
- Player pianos
- Pego sticks?
- Sky writing ads?
- Oui ji boards?
- Roller skating?
- Old fashioned girls
- High shoes

After living in Chicago, one would be tempted to write to Congress, suggesting a new cabinet member, Sec. of Crime.

It's a good thing the Statue of Liberty isn't there, though; for she'd be a physical wreck holding up her hands for such a long time. A newspaper clipping says, "In Chicago several spectators were wounded when gangsters attacked a police motor car. "Those on-lookers should know by this time that gangsters don't like to be stared at. (People should be shot for ending sentences in prepositions) And another thing, can you imagine around school:

- Chicken salad sandwiches!
- No eches in classes!
- No one o'clock meeting!
- No jolly midnight feasts!
- No playful, chemically inclined scents!
- No logic class!
- No fiction to read!

No "dutch" beds!

By the way, now that we're at it again, wouldn't you just hate to:

- Meet Count Dracula on a dark night?
- Be a "caught in a door" singer?
- Flunk in—?
- Be a heavyweight boxer?
- Be on the "bored of education?"
- Have gray hair?
- Ride a mule as a hobby?
- Eat egg plant every day?
- Train white mice?
- Sleep on wedding cake crumbs?

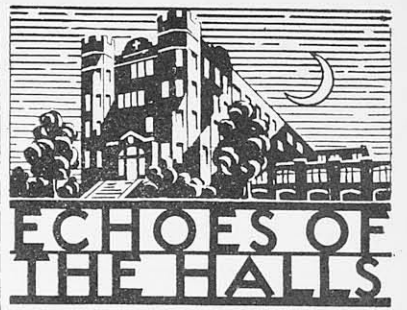
But seriously, Collegianna, (accent on the second to last syllable. s'il vous plait) isn't the truth that: When a girl names over her own faults, you don't agree with her? "Huh-uh" is an excellent negative during a "cold in the head" secession?

Others don't want you to be useful" to them; they want you to admire and like them?

People don't care much for your conversation if you outshine them? When it looks cloudy, it usually rains? (Faint, no sense to it.)

I'll be seein' you,
 "Laurie."

Mary Virginia Cummins was the week-end guest of Virginia Drummond during the Christmas holidays.



Among those who helped make Christmas a little merrier for the orphans at St. Francis Colored Orphanage, were Dorothy Venker, Evelyn Rogles, Margaret Schweitzer and Rose Wurtz.

Virginia Walsh who was absent for several months before Christmas due to an operation for appendicitis, has returned to school.

Inga Block and Mary Virginia Cummins were hostesses at a bridge given for the Nerinx Hall Alumnae during the holidays.

Mary Casey and Melinda Schwartz spent a part of the holidays in Kentucky.

The number of boarders has been increased since the vacation ended. Hortense Hogan and Ellen Prendergast have made Loretto Hall their headquarters.

Catherine Geary spent a delightful week-end with Sally Ryan, former Webster girl, who now attends Wisconsin University. Sally sends greetings to all her friends at Webster.

There was a large number of girls who attended the Shubert this week to see "Death Takes a Holiday." The Sophomores in particular were very much in evidence.

Dorothy Royal entertained Elizabeth Barth with a luncheon and theatre party.

Doris Condren entertained a number of her former classmates during the holidays with a bridge luncheon.

Margaret McCord was hostess at a bridge luncheon, December 30.

Eleanor Carroll entertained several of her friends with a skating party.

Ray Ojeman entertained at a bridge luncheon, several of her former classmates; in honor of Lucille Geary of Missouri U. Agricultural School.

Jane Burke, Marion Hangee and Gladys Oltman were hostesses at bridge parties given at their homes during the Christmas vacation.

Mary Hickman, Mary E. Griffin and Jane Fisher attended the eleventh semi-annual Collegiate Hop at Vicksburg, Miss.

Marge Delmore spent New Year's day at Bloomington—with friends?

Agnes Tancred who has been working in Oklahoma City, spent Christmas at home in Fort Smith, Ark. While at home Florine Blevins of Paris, Ark., visited her.

Marie Schmucker spent the holidays with friends in Chicago.

Mary Casey went to Dayton, Ohio before Christmas. There she met her brother with whom she drove home.

Florence Bocker enjoyed two weeks visit with her sister in Jefferson City recently.

Sodality Notes

Did you know that five of our Sodality members are teaching Catechism? Catherine Bussman and Mel Schwartz teach at Glendale, Marie Wiebracht, at the Spanish Mission; Eleanor McGinty, at St. Pius, while Mary Virginia Cummins imparts religious truths to the colored children of St. Patrick's Parish. We are very proud of our catechists!

There is a great spirit of Active Catholicity in our Sodality. The success of "Bundle Week" proved that fact. And, moreover, a large number of the Sodality members volunteered to do Apostolic Work and are anxiously waiting until arrangements for their appointments have been completed. Mary Burtschi, Irma Schleicher, Dorothy Venker, Helen Lenzen, Mel Schwartz, Mary Casey, Bernice Durbin and Virginia Ellet have visited the orphans, and have been playing "big sisters" to some of the more unfortunate children.

WE STAND CORRECTED

The last issue of the WEB told how the Senior day students were sacrificing part of their lunch money for the poor for Christmas. The idea did originate with the Senior class, but Elvira Krings told the whole Sodality about the little practice at the Sodality meeting on December 12 and in consequence, the day students of ALL the classes decided to take up the idea.

We have decided that Dorothy Venker, who patiently and persistently passed the box each day, would make a good usher. She collected \$15 in five days!

Did you know that we accumulated so many bundles for the poor for Christmas that we had to get a truck to take them to the Guardian Angel Settlement? No wonder Webster girls had such wonderful, happy holidays—they remembered others, and in consequence God did not forget them.

"CHOCOLATE DROP" PARTY

Inspired, no doubt, by the December Sodality meeting, with its discussion of the possibilities of "Bundle Week" several Websterites decided to sponsor a real Christmas party for the little colored children of St. Elizabeth's Church. Accordingly, Audrey Klorer, Elvira Krings, Gladys Oltman, Lillian Casey, Mildred Bongner, Florence Broeker, and Marian Hangee were the hostesses on December 26 at St. Elizabeth's school, whither they had taken prizes, presents and many "goodies" for their forty-three little "chocolate drop" guests. Never was a party such a success; seven self-sacrificing Sodality members happily in bringing joy to some of God's little ones, and forty-three poor "kiddies" enjoying a real party with food, games, prizes and Santa Claus! The children were in a state of ecstasy, but they did not forget to show their gratitude, for after the feast they gave a hearty cheer for the Webster girls. If you incline to the contrary opinion, just ask any of the seven splendid Sodality members who sponsored this party, whether or not Catholic Action is worthwhile.

COMMUNITY SINGING

Community singing has taken the country by storm. In offering group singing to their patrons, the theatres are but following the practice of the Church, which for years, nay, centuries, has used congregational singing. Our chaplain, Father Donovan has been partic-

ularly anxious that the Sodality sing the hymns at Mass and Benediction on Communion days. So on the sixteenth, the Communion day for January, the entire Sodality joined in singing "Star of the Sea," "Ave Maria," and the ever beautiful and inspiring, "O, Lord, I am not worthy." Our first attempt was very successful.

ANOTHER SODALITY PARTY

Hear about the plans for it at the Sodality meeting on January 23.

The chapel meeting on January 9 was for the success of our retreat and our examinations. Prayers were also offered for the repose of the soul of Mr. Ludden, father of one of our Sodality members. The meeting was very well attended and certainly Our Blessed Mother will not forget to intercede for her faithful Sodality members during those times of strain and anxiety—examinations, and more especially during that time of immeasurable grace—Retreat.

The Sodality Mass and Communion on January 16 was for the repose of the souls of Mr. Ludden and Dr. Clarke, fathers of two of our loyal Senior Sodality members. To the girls and their families the Sodality expresses its deepest sympathy and promises its prayers.

Remember the next Sodality meeting is January 23. The S. S. C. has some interesting plans to discuss with you. We can't have one hundred percent attendance at the meeting if YOU are absent.

PREDICTION

Fashions in Tresses and Dresses—They say that woman's fashions make a complete cycle every generation or two. It is true, and we of today can see the pendulum of fashions swinging back to the time of our grandmothers and great grandmothers. Two years ago at Webster's Prom, all fashions for women were decidedly masculine in trend. The hair was cut extremely short and the dresses were skimp and brief. This year, if predictions run true to form, we will see the girls dressed in the style which portrayed the demure and exquisite daintiness of Southern belles just before the Civil War. The long tresses will be softly waved and will make a flattering frame for the face. The dresses will be very full and in most cases reach the floor. Dresses with tucks, graceful drapes, and girlish ruffles with every touch of femininity, will be very very much in evidence.

ELOISE

Eloise is a big help. A real friend in need! She never tires, except when it's time to retire; she is never saucy—although she occasionally sputters in her anger; she is extremely attractive in her charming tan coat and red shoes. She demonstrates her loyalty to Alma Mater with a bright orange pennant on her windshield. Her allegiance seems to be a bit divided. Opposite the orange pennant, there is a red and green bear.

Speed is Eloise's middle name. Eight o'clock classes are her specialty. When her mistress gets up at 7:30 A. M., she comes from the city in fifteen minutes. What more could any human want?

Yes, Eloise is a machine—a Chevrolet. She will be two years old in June. She is Erma Schleicher's real joy. By her horn, you may know her!!

1931 Marks Silver Jubilee of Loretine

Staff Will Celebrate with Benefit Bridge Party



MISS THELMA PAPE

To all interested Websterites and for the benefit of those who do not know it, this year marks the Twenty-fifth anniversary of the Loretine. And the staff intends to celebrate the occasion.

A bridge party will be given at the home of the editor, Thelma Pape, 3500 Shenandoah, at 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon, February 3, the holiday between the Prom and the Retreat. There will be refreshments and prizes, and to insure a genuine spirit of socialibility, Progressive Bridge. The affair is primarily a Jubilee Fete in which the members of the Staff wish their friends and their friends' friends to participate, and secondly it is to be a means of defraying the expenses of printing. The admission fee is 50 cents.

The Staff intends to make this an enjoyable, ever-to-be-remembered event. With no themes to harass, examinations past and passed? The new Loretine in press, you and you and you are cordially invited to spend a worryless afternoon as guests of the Loretine Staff-members.

Resident students, take the Manchester car to Grand; go south on Grand to Shenandoah, 2300 south, and walk one block east.

REV. P. DOOLEY LECTURES ON WORLD TOUR

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East, where water is dangerously impure, wine is substituted. It is suggested that the traveler, if wine be distasteful to him, boil the water thoroughly, allow it to settle, then go out and buy a bottle of beer.

For the benefit of those who would argue in favor of a pleasure trip, Father confirmed a universal suspicion; that lands are pretty much the same all the world over. Particular physical features and phenomena there are, that strike one between the eyes, so to speak, and call forth "ahs" and "ohs"; the Bay of Naples, smoking Vesuvius, the ancient city of Pompeii. But generally, everywhere are found the same sky, the same stars, the same sun.

Through travel the individual learns. But he unlearns too. Maps and books may give an impression of a country, that a tour through that same country, will sweep away completely. Whatever the mental conception of Hong Kong, Father dubbed it a Victorian Modern City; the flat swampy Java of imagination is in reality, rather mountainous; India of the insufferable heat, offers to the traveller more comfort than would a St. Louis summer.

Advising a specially conducted

tour, if one would make a trip around the world, as by far the most comfortable and all-embracing, Father still maintained that to know a country, one must know its people; to know its people one must get away from highways and big cities; one must strike off into byways and little settlements, where modern means of conveyance are among the absent and where one must take pot-luck with the natives.

If, by stressing these petty distractions, entailed in journeying, Father thought to "psyche" his audience, to work on the common theory that youth is but the more intrigued when it scents difficulties, he has "put it over." Without doubt, alumnae notes will one day bear announcements to the effect that Webster College is well represented abroad.

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ATHLETIC NEWS

At the beginning of every new year, we wonder who's going to make the school team. Our curiosity was satisfied last Monday when we learned that three Seniors, five Juniors, four Sophomores and one Freshman were chosen to uphold the basketball laurels of Webster. This team is made up of a group of girls who have displayed their ability in the inter-class games. As a result the forwards selected were Joe Reddin, Gen McBride, Jane Daly and Mary Casey. Our coach, Miss Barthel, intends to work these forwards in pairs. When one pair fails, the other set goes in to fight for its Alma Mater. The guards selected to hold the opponents at bay were Kay Bussmann, Marie Brun and Ad Murphy. These girls are quite capable of fulfilling the duties of their positions. For jump centers we have Ann Ryan and Margaret Wilde and our worthy veteran, Flossie Broeker. The side centers selected were Tina Hayes, Alice Widmer and Marie Wiebracht. The school has the utmost confidence in these players, and feels that they will bring glory to the yellow and white. We believe it is the best and strongest school team in the history of Webster College.

One of the most interesting basketball games of the season was played Friday, January 9, between the Juniors and Sophomores. The competition was keen and it was a battle to the end. For a time it seemed that the score might go to the Sophomores, but through the excellent playing of every member of the team, the Juniors finally swayed the score with two baskets. The game was a very fast one and both teams are to be complimented on their fine team work and splendid plays. The line-up was as follows:

Juniors		Sophomores	
Reddin	F	Daly, Capt.	
McBride,	F	Casey	
Bussmann, Capt.	G	Perez	
Gotlob	G	Widmer	
Wilde	JC	Broeker	
Wiebracht	RC	Hayes	

Substitutions: Juniors, Walsh for Gotlob, Drummond for Wiebracht; Sophomores, Klorer for Broeker.

Web Witticisms

The mayor had just laid the foundation stone of a new wing for the hospital, and the spectators awaited his speech.

"What can I do?" the harassed mayor whispered to his wife. "I've laid the stone on top of it."

Say this hurriedly:

Shelia saw a shot silk sash shop full of shot silk sashes when the sun shone on the shop.

"How would you classify a telephone girl? Is hers a business or a professions?"

"Neither. It's a calling."

"What happened to you, my poor fellow?"

"My girl threw me down a flower."

"But surely that couldn't have made such a wreck of you."

"Yes, it could. She forgot to detach the window box."

"Al: "I say, old fellow, why on earth are you washing your spoon in the finger bowl?"

Pete: "Do you think I am going to get egg all over my pocket?"

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM TO BE ESTABLISHED AT ST. LOUIS U.

The St. Louis University has announced that a School of Journalism will be inaugurated in the University during the forthcoming semester, registrations for which will begin January 31. Rev. William Doyle, S.J., who has been faculty advisor in the past six years to the various university publications, will be in charge of the department.

Laboratory work and directive talks from various experts in the numerous phases will constitute the main work of the course.

The establishment of a journalism school has been urged for several years by students in editorials and letters appearing in the "Varsity Breeze"—the student newspaper. During this editorial campaign various phases of journalism were discussed. The condition of the Catholic press was commented upon. We quote from a letter appearing in the "Varsity Breeze" an excerpt that will interest our readers:

"The editorial indicated the Catholic press on the score of the antiquity and ecclesiastical subserviency (priest-ridden is the technical term, of the editors). Did the writer ever read Dr. Hart's Cincinnati Catholic Telegraph? Dr. Hart is an ancient and assiduous devotee of Mother Church, yet his rag has the kick of white mule. Father Dave Phelan was a white hair who dedicated his Western Watchman to "unflinching loyalty to the Catholic Church" and yet his editorial page would make Mencken's Americana look like the observations of a prim mid-Victorian nursery maid.

There be exceptions, brother, there be exceptions. Enough of them to save the tribe from the scathing screech of last week. And any Catholic journalism movement that is to succeed must incorporate in its program the outstanding virtue of these "sterile" pioneers—their guts.

Go easy on the forerunners in Catholic journalism. Don't forget that if we ever reach a stage where we have a better view of the situation than they, it is because we are standing on their shoulders.

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MRS. SANKEY ATTENDS DRAMATIC CONVENTION AT CHICAGO

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as this convention, thus giving persons attending a twofold opportunity.

Sessions held, stressed Speech Training, Dramatics, Public Speaking, Oral Interpretation, Debate, Phonetics, Radio Address and Stagecraft.

Among those attending the convention were John Dolman, Jr., of the University of Pennsylvania and president of the National Association of Teachers of Speech; James M. O'Neill, University of Michigan; James A. Winans, Dartmouth College and Edward C. Mabie, University of Iowa.

In attending this convention, Mrs. Sankey made many contacts and acquired advanced ideas that will be extremely beneficial to her Dramatic students at Webster College.

The faculty and students extend their deepest sympathy to Margaret Ludden and Alice Clarke in the death of their fathers; also to Sister Alphonine, whose mother died recently.

VARIETY AND FUN MARK WEBSTER'S VAUDEVILLE

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and out like a rubber bag, empty of its usual supply of wind. "Toil" is its name and Disillusion its sad story.

Least this program present too much of a work-worn countenance, the musician struck up a tune that could easily take first place among the "Other Classics." Such get-ups! Such blending of colors! Red stockings, slit skirts, pan-hats imperiously feathered, limbs swaying in most disjointed fashion; every gesture decrying forsaken decorum; such a quartet of "back-numbers" performed, while the strains of "East Side, West Side" contended with the uproarious howls of a St. Louis audience.

There must come, sometime in all good times, the twilight, or should one say, the uttermost depths. "Diversion" descended upon the house with inky blackness, bringing in its wake a kind of icy fear that withered every heart. And when light revealed the stage, there was unfolded a melodrama that put to the test, every human soul. There is the proverbial almost-to-be-forsaken mortgage; the elderly, grey-bearded, bowed-down-with-grief father; the mother, of a mother's heart, in sympathy with the light-of-her-life, Carnation—an only daughter—yet brooding over the impending disaster, resigns herself to the inevitable. All things were in order and everything was done according to form. The villain was hissed, the hero was applauded; things almost happened, someone begged for mercy; nothing happened; money was slow in coming; with a curious gesture of the forefinger, two weeks passed; one wife appeared; Carnation was reduced to selling dandelions, a crime was committed; money was stolen; then, to cap the climax, to give ample justification to bitten fingernails and clammy hands of spectators, the night express, whistling a "toot-toot," most strangely human, almost bore down upon the hero (it was he who was wronged, really). But Carnation, with uncanny presence of mind, produced a red kerchief, and with an arm failing of strength, fluttered it, and stopped the onrushing train. After exposition and reconciliation, the hero said something on the benefits of selling apples. "June," symbolic of lightness and care-free hearts sprinted across the stage in the finale chorus number.

So many impediments of speech and expression make themselves manifest when humans would rise to give a vote of thanks—to coaches and participants. Judging from the way youth and age, male and female, surged and receded with the varying waves of emotion put into play on the stage, it would not be far wrong to declare that the Webster College Vodvil was all things to all people.

REV. P. SALMONI LECTURES ON MODERN INDIA

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which controls one-half of the 1,200,000 square miles of territory, there are 700 native princes who rule over principalities ranging in size from fifteen acres to the area of Italy.

India, according to Dr. Salmoni, has never been satisfied with British rule, but the immediate causes of the revolt are: The Act which gives the English government the right to imprison, and even execute a suspected seditionist—without trial. The prohibitive taxes on wool and salt. The refusal of the British government to appropriate suf-

ficient money for educational purposes.

The speaker was an ardent admirer of Mahatma Gandhi, the famed leader of the "civil disobedience campaign" against England. "Gandhi will go down in history as one of the greatest men of the twentieth century."

Bishop Salmoni predicted that even if this frail but gallant leader falls a victim to British bullets, his flaming spirit will ignite those of others who will one day free India.

The slides shown included views of many of the great tempels of India, particularly the Tig Mahal. There were also pictures of some of the noted rulers who had pledged allegiance to Gandhi's cause, and lastly, Gandhi himself.

The lecture was followed by a brief talk on the Church in the East. Bishop Salmoni described a typical church interior, with the sanctuary hidden from the view of the worshippers by a high wall in the place where the Communion rail stands in our churches. There

are three openings in the wall, and through the one in the center, the main altar is visible, except at certain times during the Mass.

The vestments too, are different. The alb is of silk, and the chasuble and cope of soft satin or silk. The stole is longer, and two maniples are worn. "However," said the Doctor, "these are not the essential things. We acknowledge the primacy of the Holy See, and are with you in faith."

The intensity of his conviction makes Doctor Salmoni a very compelling and forceful speaker. He has lectured at Webster before, and th reception accorded him, will, we hope, assure us of another visit from him.

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SODALITY VOCATION WEEK IN PROGRESS

FAITH HEALING EXPLAINED BY FR. M'CARTHY, S. J., AT THIRD OPEN FORUM

Audiences Grow As Open Forums Become Subjects of Wide Discussion

Bidding fair to establish a cultural tradition, the open forum once again received the spot light at Webster College, on Friday evening, January 29. Mr. James E. Carroll, presiding chairman, thanked the two previous talkers and introduced the speaker of the evening, Fr. R. C. McCarthy, S. J., professor of Psychology at St. Louis University.

Some will recall of the last forum that the subject—Shaw vs Belloc, on Joan of Arc—differing rather, from the substance — Miracles — aroused so genuine an interest and discussion that the evening proved all too short for the satisfaction of individual differences regarding miracles. This evening, by a happy coincidence, Fr. McCarthy chose as his topic, "Faith Healing."

Introducing his subject, Father declared that a speaker, to "put it over," must choose his material with a thought to popular appeal. An illness or a disease that holds forth the promise of a cure, is magnetic in its ability to catch and hold humans. In the case of Faith Healing — effecting cures without medicinal aid but relying solely upon God—the attention of the layman, at first goes little beyond idle curiosity. But with the advent of an Aimee McPherson meeting or the like, curiosity gives way to acute interest. As regards the attendants at these meetings, there are no social or intellectual distinctions. The layman in general, is interested, and with the boom and bombast of newspaper write-ups, come puzzled queries: "Are they cures? Are they miracles?"

Cures not Always Miracles

To these rhetorical posers, Father made answer that, at these meetings cures are effected; but they are not miracles. These cures arise out of physical causes, while miracles are products of divined intervention. Here Father cited instances of cures, of the nature of revival meeting cures, that are brought about every day and are taken for granted more or less. Paralyzed men, under stress of necessity, suddenly acquire the use of their limbs; shell-shocked men, on the day of the Armistice, regained control of their worn out faculties. Now Father came to the heart of his talk; that in these instances, the major feature is the power of Suggestion; accepting from another person an idea without any logical act on the idea, without any deliberation. The success of the motive of Suggestion depends upon the mode in which the idea is presented. Advertising is Suggestive. We allow a slogan to "yea" or "nay" a product for us. If we remain long with a person who stutters, we too shall eventually stutter. Hysteria of one will

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Many Reservations Being Made For the Closed Retreat at Webster

The Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., will conduct a ladies' closed retreat at Webster College, February 27 and 28 and March 1. The first conference will be at 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon; the last service will start at 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, at the close of which Papal Benediction will be conferred. Dinner will be served at 6 o'clock.

This retreat is being sponsored by The Loretto Foundation and is being given for Foundation members and Loretto Alumnae. Many in these two groups are taking advantage of the privilege offered them of making reservation for their friends.

Special arrangements are being made whereby those making the retreat may reside in Loretto Hall for the full period.

Rev. A. A. Malloy Gives Retreat at College

The annual three-day retreat for the students at Webster College closed with Mass in the college chapel, Saturday morning, February 7, at 8 o'clock. Rev. Father A. A. Malloy, C. M., of St. Vincent's Church in St. Louis, conducted the retreat which opened Wednesday morning, Feb. 4.

The order of the day during the retreat was as follows: 8:00 o'clock, Mass in the college chapel; 10:00 and 11:15 o'clock, conferences; 12:00 o'clock, examen, lunch; 1:30 o'clock, Stations of the Cross; 2:30 and 4:00 o'clock, conferences; 4:30 o'clock, Benediction; and after dinner, at 7:15 o'clock, another conference, followed by evening prayers.

In the opening conference on Wednesday, Father Malloy outlined the manner in which it is best to make a retreat. He urged the students to imitate the conduct of St. Paul after his conversion; keeping their eyes blind to worldly things, their ears hedged round with thorns, and their tongues with knots tied in them. The second morning conference of the first day was devoted to a discussion of the heinousness of mortal sin, which Father described as the flinging back into the Divine Face of Christ, the Blood He had shed for man's redemption.

Purpose of Penance

The sacrament of Penance, its institution, its purpose, was treated at the two afternoon conferences. Confession, Father called the remedy for the only real evil in the world. In the evening conference of the first day, he spoke of man's

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Ann Ryan Chosen As Webster Maid For St. L. U. Prom



—Sid Whiting Photo.

Last week the senior class chose "Big" Ann Ryan as the maid at the St. Louis U. Prom. There were two other nominees over which Ann won. This Prom is an annual social event at which each of the corporate colleges is represented.

"Big" Ann is president of the senior class; she directed this year's vodvil—one of the finest Webster has ever had; and she was in charge of this year's prom.

The Seniors at the School of Commerce and Finance, St. Louis U., chose Marie Wibracht as their representative.

The Prom will be April 7, in the University gym.

HELEN LENZEN ENTERS NOVITIATE OF LORETTO SISTERS

The Sophomore class proudly boasts of another representative at Loretto, Ky. This time it is Helen Lenzen, who left her Webster friends Friday, Feb. 13, for the Mother House of the Loretto Sisters.

For the past six years Helen has received her educational training under the guidance of these Sisters. After four delightful years at Nerinx Hall, she came to Webster where she has made many friends. She was active in both Sodality and Mission enterprises and distinguished herself frequently with her prize winning posters.

The Wednesday before she left, she was entertained by her Sophomore classmates in the Red Room of Loretto Hall. Mother Linus, Sister Borgia, Sister Edwarda, and other members of the faculty were among the guests present.

All of her friends wish her sincere happiness in this happy choice of life, and ask to be remembered in her prayers.

Coming Events

- Feb. 19.—Game. Teachers' College vs. Webster.
- Feb. 22.—Open Forum at 8:15.
- Feb. 24.—Game. Maryville vs. Webster.
- Feb. 26.—Piano Recital, Alfred Schmeid.
- Feb. 27-28, March 1.—Retreat. Sponsored by Loretto Foundation.
- March 4.—Game at Maryville

SODALITY SPONSORS A PROGRAM OF SPECIAL LECTURES AND DEVOTIONS

Object of Week to Call Attention to Various States of Life and Help of Prayer in Making Choice

Margaret De Lisle Elected As Ivy Poet By Senior Class

Shortly before the close of the first semester, at a meeting of the Senior class, a very important election took place, that of the Ivy Poet. This year the honor has been bestowed on Margaret DeLisle, a member of the Poetry Club who is quit talented and has written numerous poems. She is also an active member of the Classical Club and of the Loretto staff. Margaret has been prominent in school activities during her four years at Webster and it will be remembered that many of her poems have appeared in the Web and in the Loretto. She will be graduated in June with a degree of Bachelor of Arts, with Latin as her major.

The annual custom of planting Ivy dates back to the first year of Webster's existence.

W. C. Prom Held at Hotel Chase on February 2

Hotel Chase was the scene of the gala social function of 1931—the Webster Prom. The Italian Garden was a veritable bower for dining and dancing, and all the Websterites with their escorts seemed to enjoy both to the nth degree.

The dinner was served to the accompaniment of appropriate dinner music. The meal was interrupted between courses for the first two dances of the evening. Later the entire floor was given over to a program dance; and immediately the gowns began to attract their deserved attention.

One outstanding formal, worn by a graduate, was of softest beige velvet. The graceful neckline was held by rhinestone straps, and the skirt fell to a short train which was cleverly carried while dancing.

White, by far the most popular color of the evening, appeared in satins, velvets, crepes, and even in "taffeta twins." Three entirely red costumes were striking notes amid the conventional black of the men.

The pleasure of the dance was more than increased by one of the best orchestras that ever graced a Webster function. And How they rendered our official school song for the Prom! Ask anybody!

And the very acceptable favors were small desk clocks for the girls, and silver pen knives engraved with W. C., '31 for the boys, remembrances of another thoroughly delightful evening spent with schoolmates and alumnae of our own Webster College.

The Sodality of Webster College, in accord with the national movement, will set aside the week of February 15 for Vocation Week.

During that time special effort will be made to acquaint the Sodality who have not definitely decided upon life's career, with the necessity of choosing the correct state in life; and to make them feel the need and the efficacy of prayer, in this matter of primary importance in their lives.

The aim of Vocation Week is not merely to focus attention on the religious life. Its purpose is to help the Sodality decide the particular state of life for which their talents naturally fit them, to which their desires naturally lead them. It is a movement which must necessarily interest every young Catholic boy or girl, since the decision rests primarily with the young person, and since so much of the happiness of his life here and especially his life hereafter will depend upon his choice.

The vocation may be to the married, the priestly, the religious, or the unmarried state. The decision is the important thing, a decision based on a knowledge of God's will and the individual's fitness. Any vocation that God selects is the right vocation for the individual.

The program at Webster includes special talks by the Chaplain, Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M. Special prayers will be offered by the student body and suitable reading material will be on hand.

The program for the week is as follows:

On Monday, at 1 o'clock there was Chapel meeting. On Tuesday at the same hour, the Chaplain spoke on "The Unmarried State." Today, Wednesday, Father Donovan will give a talk on the Sacrament of Matrimony. At 2:20 on Thursday, there will be a conference, the subject of which will be "The Religious Life." Vocation Week will close on Friday, February 20, with Sodality Communion at 8 o'clock Mass.

LORETTO PLAYERS GIVE RADIO READING

Several members of the Dramatic Department were heard in a delightful program which was broadcast over station WEW on Tuesday, at 4 o'clock. The play entitled "About Face," was written by Phoebe Hoffman. Those who took part were Alice Widmer, Helen O'Brien and Ann Janes.

The girls have been heard in several previous programs over the air and are to be congratulated upon their splendid work and marked improvement.

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VOCATION WEEK

"Vocation Week," and there are smiles and puckered brows and stern countenances, all indicative of various mental reactions to this notion of reserving a week for the consideration of vocations. Yet it is neither a matter for smiling nor frowning nor over-scrupulous seriousness. It is all so simple that by its very clear cut nature, it invokes complicated thought. Would we think to gainsay four as the sum of two and two; would we think to argue away light as the herald of day, darkness the characteristic of night? Just so, can we grant life without activity?

A good God gave us being, in a good world. Again, in His great goodness he allowed to each of us, individual will, that we might freely choose the work He has from Eternity designed for us. Let us draw a parallel and cull material from the fairy tale of the good king. He tried the strength and fidelity of his people, and those who persevered he called to be his courtiers, those who should serve him for love of him alone. Those who leaned to the rational, to the good of mind, he assigned to oversee the management of the kingdom and the preservation of its worth. To those of bodily strength he ruled, by them the soil he tilled and material plenty maintained. With the womenfolk he charged the care of the children, and with the children, sweet obedience to masters and expounders of God's gift to man, creation. And there was joy with all; with the people because they loved their king and sought to work his will; with the king, because he was well pleased.

Need we go back to complete our parallel, to designate in concrete the vocations that are: the religious life, the career, motherhood, the profession? All these are. Vocation Week makes no pretense at creating callings. Neither does it presume to state what walk of life each one of us is to tread. It is humble in its motive, and it asks us to be humbler yet, to approach our King with filial concern and ask that our special mission in life be made clear to us; that we be given light to see the way in the clarity of God's will; that our strength be in proportion to our task.

GRADES

Grades! Grades!! Grades!!! A more popular topic of conversation could not be found right now. Everywhere you go someone or something recalls grades. Even your best friend asks: "What did you get?" And to study the psychology of the various answers would be most fascinating. One girl proudly boasts of "four A's and the rest B's;" another sadly bemoans her fate—C's and D's seem to be her long suit. The third, with her most characteristically indifferent shrug nonchalantly states that her poor old brain fails her, as usual, and she can't recall her grades. (Blessings on the stude who reads her report and then dismisses its contents from her gray matter.) But the majority of replies call for animated discussion on the real valuation of the individual student's effort, and the depreciation of the professor. And when it's not the professor it's the office. Tardiness, absence, and general misbehavior which the professor leniently overlooks is strictly accounted for and duly discounted by the office. Oh, us girls do have our troubles. Moral: If the professors don't get you the office must.

ROOTERS!

Are you coming to see the Webster "Big Team" win? Are we coming because our class is well represented on the team? Are we coming because they will wheedle us, because they will use artful methods of persuasion, because they will plead with us to support them if we wish to be supported in our projects? Or are we coming because everything we do or do not do, spells Webster; because Webster and Sportsmanship are one and the same, the one automatically taking the other for granted?

On February 19th, the Webster "Big Team" plays Harris Teachers' College; on February 24th, Webster plays Maryville.

Let us turn out with all our forces, with all our enthusiasm. It offends the eye to see the benches along the walls in Idle Hour, sparsely decked with Webster rooters. Let us have a bigger and better attendance for the games at Idle Hour.

THE FEMINISM PROBLEM

The so-called problem of feminism has received considerable publicity of late due to one Albert E. Pillsbury who left a fund of \$100,000 for the study of the problem. In view of conflicting opinions that this strange bequest has elicited, one might do well to consider what Pius XI had to say on the subject. Women, the Pope indicated, can find their highest happiness only in the home and all other attempts to find it elsewhere are likely to end in disappointment if not in despair.

Catholic college women, because of their training can do much to disseminate the correct view of this vitally important subject.

The faculty and students extend their deepest sympathy to Mother Linus in the death of her niece, Mrs. H. P. Moran who died in British Honduras on February 10 and to Sister Felicitas on the death of her mother. We shall remember them in our prayers.

REV. FR. GALLAGHER TO ADDRESS FOURTH MEETING OF FORUM

"Citizens or Gangsters, Which?" to Be Subject of Talk

The Webster College monthly Open Forum will be held in the college auditorium on Sunday evening, February 22, at 8:15 o'clock. The Reverend Ralph A. Gallagher, S.J., will discuss, "Citizens or gangsters, Which," and his talk will be followed by questions and open discussion from the house.

This session of the Open Forum bids fair to be a most interesting and informative one. Father Gallagher is chairman of the Division of Criminology and Penology at St. Louis University and instructor in Sociology and Welfare Work there. He is also Catholic Chaplain at the St. Louis jail. Father Gallagher is a well known speaker and most conversant in the subject he will handle.

Judge Granville Hogan of St. Louis, will act as chairman for the evening.

The Loretto Foundation again extends an invitation to all her members, Loretto Alumnae and all friends of the Loretto Sisters for the Open Forum at Webster College.

LIBRARY NOTES

Maeterlinck has deplored man's senselessness to immediate joys, in "The Blue Bird." Christopher Morley chose the medium of the animal kingdom to bring home the mortal perversity that ignores the fullness of the fireside and looks forever to the distant horizon, to "Where The Blue Begins." And today, should the Town Crier announce some rare collection, some choice exhibition, the desire to be "with the times" would so far dominate you—personally—as to count time, energy and money well spent, so you would be among those present. Is this not so?

The week beginning February 8 and ending February 14 marked National Dramatic Art Week. Webster College Library endeavored to make this week a living, breathing feature for Websterite. Did you perchance stray to the second floor; did you note in the alcove outside the library, a rather informal display of books dealing with costumes of the East and of the West, of then and of now; books on the drama of three thousand years ago and the drama of today? Neither age nor sophistication has the power to dampen ardor for pictures. Did you pride in the snapshot comparisons of the New York, Eve Le Gallienne production of "The Cradle Song," with those of our own production; in the photographs of the original Dugal Stewart Walker designs for Father Lord's "Rainbow Gold"; in the Harry Armstrong Masques, fashioned expressly for Loretto Players?

All of Shakespeare yet awaited you, past the threshold of the library; an illustrated Shakespeare of 1852, a Moritz Retsch Shakespeare; one of 1885.

All these are yours, in so far as the eye can receive and the mind be impressed. Your school demands that you frequent your library for drudgery in ponderous volumes on the Arts and Sciences. It is but your just due to receive from this same library, all the treasures that fall under "extra curricula" in the Arts and Sciences. Are you not sufficiently wise to realize the advantage of proffered bits of culture, here, in the Webster Library, over mad hunts for what's around the corner, a vague somewhere?

IMPRESSIONS OF A FRESHIE

She accosted me as I emerged from the cafeteria. Her Junior sense of discrimination marked me out for what I am, a Freshman. "Will you write your Freshman Impressions?" And I smiled indulgently, for I was full of that good will that succeeds an afternoon repast, leisurely masticated.

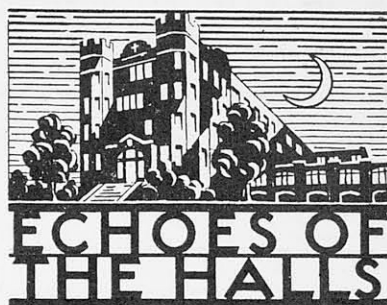
But tonight is many noons removed from that other noon; and the impending "lights out" bell hangs over me as did once the sword of Damocles; and I am bound to give you my impressions; and I have no impressions—as impressions go—to give. I cannot tell you how your western accents and your southern drawls caressed my eastern ear; how "keen" and "cute" and "dates" rose up and all but crushed me with incomprehension.

If I boast no definite impressions, I do recall a condition during the first few weeks, a state of affairs. Tears and tears and more tears; and in the dead of night, outside the pale of human sympathy, the apparition of Alice in Wonderland drowning in her own tears; then fear of a similar fate for me and a new onrush of tears.

Would you know the cause of this perpetual lachrymose state? In brief it is this. Sometimes Webster reminded me of home, so I wept, that I needs must satisfy myself with a bare semblance of Home. But sometimes Webster was very unlike home, and again I wept, grieved that Webster should be so very different from home.

Does this sound very illogical to you? Have you so soon forgotten, Upperclassmen, your own pilgrimages thru, around and about that Freshman incurable—nomesickness? For it is incurable! It may be effaced; it may pass away; it does pass away. But neither science nor the laity has discovered a vaccine to ward off the misery of the first few weeks as a Boarding College Freshman. If you can conjure from the backyears, days when a letter from home put a lump in your throat; and when an empty mailbox put two lumps in that same throat; if you can retrace this distance, tears, always and for all reasons will strike you as no more nor less than abnormally normal.

I promised you impressions. I have given you emotions. But impressions are emotions clearly comprehended in the state of sanity. And I am but as yet a Freshman. So if you come to me, let us say one year from now, and make a request similar to the one I quoted at the beginning of this discourse, I may hope, with becoming modesty, to hand in an "almost" masterpiece. Then I shall be in the safety zone, twelve months distant from the scenes of storm that marked my initiation into Webster, and I shall be able to give an account of my Freshman impressions



Helen Lenzen's departure for the novitiate has been causing quite a stir of excitement. The Sophomore class gave a party in her honor. Nerinx Hall class of '29 with whom Helen graduated, gave a surprise party, and Jane Burke entertained for her on Sunday, Feb. 8 with a birdge party and supper.

A number of girls attended the Loretto bridge given at Thelma Pape's. The proceeds of the bridge are to be used to pay for the Silver sheet of the Loretto.

Pat McMullen, Katie O'Flaherty and Esther Kraft visited Webster over the week-end of January 31. The re-union was celebrated with a luncheon at the Coronado. Those present were: Pat McMullen, Katie O'Flaherty, Esther Kraft, Mary Hickman, Joe Reddin, Genevieve McBride, and Helen Graves.

Jane Dixon spent the last week-end at the home of her aunt, Mrs. John Lynch.

A reception in honor of Catherine Cummins on Sunday, February 7 was held for close friends and relatives. Kay Bussman, Marie Walsh, Inga Block and Virginia Drummond assisted the hostess at tea.

Margaret Reardon gave a bridge party, January 30. Among those who attended were: Bernice Durin, Evelyn Tate, Margaret Kimberger, Mary Elizabeth Augustus, Thea Christofferson.

Dorothea Shuford is convalescing from an attack of the "Flu."

The last week-end of January was a large one for the Day Sisters. Friday night they attended the Charity Ball sponsored by the Fontbonne Alumnae at the Chase. Saturday they attended the Visitation Academy Alumnae Tea and on Sunday they viewed the college from the air!

Jane Fisher spent a day with Margaret Vierhellor last week.

During the past week, Carrol Coleman, Adelaide Murphy, Helen O'Brien and Kathleen Hamel visited Rolla, where they were entertained by the Mercier Fraternity.

Carol, listening to static preceding broadcast from Rome—"That's the Papal Bull."

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

In my endless quest for interesting "do-dads," I've come across some "Daffy Definitions"—so here you are!

(Baseball) Daisy cutter—same as a grounder, my dear!

(Law) Lame duck—stock brokers slang for one unable to meet his liabilities. Quack! Quack!

(Golf) Miss the globe—failure to strike the ball. Never seemed that big at the tee-off, with a considerable audience!

(An Americanism) Bone—one dollar. Here's to more skeletons!

(Tennis) Tappy—a light stroke, giving poor service.

(Biology) Jelly fish—a modern American college student of today.

(Polo) Slice to the off—a hit by which the ball is centered to the

players right. Horses, Horses, crazy over horses!

Well, after those blinking bafflements, I think that's "enuf sed" in that train of thought.

Thinks I can't think about and be pleasant:

Cowboy music.
 Long street car rides.
 Cold rainy daze.
 Uncomfortable modernistic furniture.

Just memories:
 Prom Promenades.
 Retreat Resolutions.
 Exam Excitement.
 Poetry Class.

Bells, Bells, Bells—Must rush to "Psy"—first class we've had—wonder what it will be like?

Good Luck, "Studes!" Just, "Lourie."

Sodality Notes

Modernistic?

Is the Sodality organization a new thing? On the contrary. The Sodality as we understand it today had its beginning after the rise of the confraternities of prayer in the Middle Ages and developed rapidly thereafter. At that time, very many of those pious associations placed themselves under the special protection of the Blessed Mother. Their purpose from the beginning was the practice of personal piety and works of charity for others.

In 1563, a Belgian priest, John Leunis (a teacher at the time in the Jesuit College in Rome) established a society of the Blessed Virgin for the pupils of the college. The boys (for girls were not admitted then) bound themselves to go to Confession, weekly; Mass, daily; and Communion, monthly. They also served the poor, and prayed in groups. The idea spread like fire and the youth of other cities joined the Sodality. In 1577, the Holy Father granted it special indulgences and in 1584 the Sodality of the Roman College was made a "Prima Primaria." Our Sodality is affiliated with the "Prima Primaria." What is it? Like the old fashioned picture show—next episode to be told next week.

No More Excuses

Your answer to "why not make a visit" can no longer be, "I haven't a handkerchief or a veil, and it is so far over to Loretto Hall." The Sodality officers have placed a small cedar chest of veils in Sister Philibert's room. The box has been placed there for your convenience, for your use.

Do You Preach?

"A Catholic girl preaches by good example," our retreat master told us. Good examples during Lent will consist in daily Mass and Holy Communion. Remember we are out for three thousand Masses and Holy Communions during the Lenten Season. Whether we shall reach our goal or not depends upon you and how well you preach. You won't forget to tally your Masses and Holy Communion on the Bulletin Board, will you?

The End of the First Semester

The regular meeting of the Sodality (the last one of the first semester) was held in Mission Hall, January 23. The prefect opened the meeting with prayer. Justina Hayes, treasurer of the Sodality gave the financial report, while Virginia Drummond reported the splendid success of "Bundle Week." An interesting talk on the Retreat was given by Marie Wibracht, and plans for the Sodality breakfast at the end of the Retreat were discussed. Due to her illness, Genevieve McBride's paper on the "Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary," was read by Mary Hickman. The Sodality was reminded of the Plenary Indulgence they could gain by receiving Holy Communion on the feast. Justina Hayes told the Sodality of the plan whereby the Eucharistic Committee hoped to increase the number of visits, namely by placing near the Chapel door some veils for the Sodality's use.

Suggestions

During Lent, why not:
Go to daily Mass and Holy Communion?
Make more visits?
Mortify yourself for the missions?
Stop talking uncharitably?
Keep silence in class?

Stop screaming in the halls of the administration building? Etc.?

All for Him, who said "take up your cross and follow Me."

Sodality Breakfast

After the closing of the Retreat on Saturday morning, February 7, the Sodality sponsored a breakfast, which was held in the Cafeteria. Plans for the breakfast were in the hands of the Eucharistic Committee of which Justina Hayes is chairman. The tables were decorated with spring flowers, and a holy card, a souvenir of the retreat, marked the place of each Sodality.

At the end of the breakfast, a short talk was given by the prefect, Bernice Wolff, on the place the Sodality would take in sustaining the graces of the retreat in the hearts of the Sodality. "Christ and His Mother," she said, "will do everything in the power to keep us as we are this morning, and working through the instrumentality of the Student Spiritual Council, they will point out ways and means whereby we can put into active practice the principles so ably set forth during the past three days. But on the other hand, Mary and her Divine Son will have a right to expect from us after this retreat, not only the splendid co-operation of the past but co-operation and support which will be even stronger, more active and more zealous." The prefect then went on to enumerate some of the future plans of the Sodality and concluded by saying, "If the results of the retreat are to be visible in our Sodality work as necessarily they must be, then in May, when we crown our Lady, as the culmination of the year's activity, we shall be able to offer Her a year of work, replete with graces for the salvation of our own souls and for the salvation of the souls of others."

Father A. A. Malloy, C.M., the retreat master, whose untiring efforts made the retreat so very interesting, practical and beneficial, was then asked to say a few words. In his pleasing manner Father Malloy exhorted the Sodality to cultivate the seed they had sown during the Retreat. "You sow the seed in one season," he said, "and reap it in the next." He also thanked the girls for their splendid attention during the retreat, and ended his remarks with "God Bless You." The breakfast ended with the entire Sodality singing "Mother Dear, Oh, Pray For Me."

FR. LORD'S LATEST BOOKLET ON SALE

The Queen's Work for February carries an announcement of Rev. D. A. Lord's latest booklet, "Birth Control." The article explains that Father Lord has written this new addition to his well known series in response to many requests. In the pamphlet the morality of birth control is interestingly discussed by "Father Hall," who answers the difficulties of the twins, Dick and Sue. The twins are given a chance to state every difficulty and objection they have heard raised or have read about in popular books and magazine articles. "Father Hall" meets the difficulties, and discusses the problem from an entirely modern point of view.

The booklet is available on the Sodality Book Rack and is priced at ten cents.

"Big" Ann Ryan thinks there is a tax collector around the college. All the thumb tacks from the bulletin boards are missing.

Webster Students Hear Pope in Radio Broadcast

The faculty and student body of Webster gathered in the auditorium on February 12, at 9:30 o'clock to hear Pope Pius XI speak over the radio. The program was indeed both interesting and instructive. It was broadcast from the Vatican City, a brief description of which was given prior to the Holy Father's address.

It is a rare privilege to be numbered among those who, for the first time in history, have had the opportunity of hearing the living voice of the Pope delivering his message simultaneously to the whole world.

The talk was addressed to the Hierarchy, to Religious, to Missionaries, to Unbelievers, to Leaders of the People, to Subjects, to Laborers and Employers and to the Afflicted.

Faith Healing Explained By Fr. McCarthy, S. J., at Third Open Forum

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make for hysteria of many. In totum, Suggestion is illimitably dominating. It can work bodily disturbances; and does it seem illogical that it may be able to cure these ailments that it has the force to create?

That human beings respond to their own expectations, is uncomplimentary but factual. This is a form of self-suggestion. The world bends the knee to Science. Hence most phenomena are accredited to Science; and we never think to question. We walk into the presence of a corps and our voices take on the hushed colorlessness of the lifeless. In the presence of greatness we are almost crushed with our own inferiority. In face of natural grandeur, we shrink and shrivel bodily. Helplessness of the child, obedience of the soldier, fatigue, drowsiness, highly emotional temperaments, mob reactions, all these submissive tendencies are most conducive to Suggestibility. And thus are cures effected. The man or woman at the revival meeting expects to be cured. Music, hymns and testimonials, bring into play, emotions already highly sensitized. Intoxicated by the atmosphere, they begin to believe that they can be cured. And they can, if their ailments have no physical basis, if they be purely functional. There is nothing of the miraculous entailed in such cures. The speaker has but to put his audience in the proper disposition for the reception of Suggestion. It is possible that there have been functional ailments cured by miracles, but the Catholic Church makes no declaration on this point.

What are the advantages of Faith Healing? Are there any? Physically, Father tells us, there is only detriment. Emotions are at fever pitch; hypnosis comes into play; and cures may be transitory, temporary, and therefore, not of much worth. Spiritually, cures of this sort, appealing as they do to the superficial emotions, endanger true faith. With which conclusion, Father gave the question over to the house.

Power of Suggestion

Mr. John B. Quinn brought up the question of native superstition; the Evil Eye current in India; the Bushmen in Australia who, for certain discrepancies in conduct, believe death to be the penalty after three days illness, and their beliefs are justified. Father answered this with the same theory of Suggestion; they expected to be cursed; they expected to die. Someone, from the floor, vouched that an organic ailment was done away with by the power of hypnosis. But Father stuck to his guns, declaring

Jubilee Number of Loretine Is Published

The Loretine celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary this year. The Jubilee edition with the striking Black Knight poisoning the ebon ougle against the silver page, is fresh from the press. The poem opposite the frontispiece was selected from all those submitted by the members of the Poetry Club to voice the Jubilee message of the Staff.

The Loretines may be gotten from the English room on the main floor of the Administration Building.

That only functional diseases come within range of the power of Suggestion. One had heard it said that hypnosis will produce blisters. Father said that he has yet to meet anyone who has actually seen this physical reaction of hypnosis. The story is usually told by someone who was told it by someone else who heard that sometime, someone had seen it; and absent is the actual witness of this phenomenon. Father did not dispute the possibility, but he is somewhat canny. He will have the goods before he believes.

Mr. Cyril Clemens of Webster, taking the floor, told of a friend who had recently had his leg amputated. The disease that had made necessary this operation, had centered in the ankle. Now possessed of a wooden leg, the friend still feels pain in that place in the wooden ankle, where once lodged the pain in the fleshly ankle. How could this be accounted for? Pain, Father said, having its beginning with sensation, is carried to the brain, and from there, is referred to the particular location. Experience teaches us to place pain in its correct area. And, as in this particular case, should that part of body or limb be removed, to which we were wont to refer a particular pain, longstanding habit for a time prevails, and we refer that pain to its old location. A member of the audience asked whether it were possible for do to be held by faith. Father informed us that dogs are not subject to inorganic ailments. When a dog goes mad, the basic reason or cause is organic. And even if a dog were neuresthenic, we should never know about it. To a query regarding the power of Suggestibility over insanity, Father deemed it possible in the case of nervous insanity. Miss Veech Matthews told us that Chesterton condemns psychology, as a science harmful to man. Father agreed, in the sense that popularized, cult psychology today in vogue, does promise harm to the unknowing; that sex today, is overemphasized in the newer theories; that the Mechanistic psychology that defines all behavior in terms of physical responses, are to

be shunned as the passing fancies of a material world.

Has a miracle ever been effected at one of these revival meetings, one would know. Since the delicacy of the question called for an answer of an emphatic nature, Father begged of non-Catholic members of the audience, that they might take this explanation in the spirit in which it was intended; a standing answer to a pointed question. These revival meetings, Father said, are usually conducted under the auspices of some religious sect. If a miracle were to be performed at one of these meetings, it would be brought about by God. And if God were to perform a miracle for the benefit of some one church, it were the same as putting His stamp of approval on the existence and teachings of that church. And the only true church is the Catholic Church, the church founded by Christ. This last explanation had the effect of a cloak of silence, for with this the forum closed.

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Alumnae News

On Tuesday, January 27, there was an Alumnae Association meeting. Plans for this year's Passion Play was an important feature of the meeting.

Miss Theresa Shea of the St. Louis Chapter of Kappa Gamma Pi called a meeting at her home on February 6. Did they accomplish things? You may be assured that they did. Are not our Webster leaders a part of that chapter?

After a honeymoon spent in Cuba and Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith have returned home. Now, the rest of this is for those who missed the marriage announcement in an earlier issue. Mrs. Smith is the former Agnes Tuchschnid.

Of course the Seniors knew the Prom would be a success. Activities they sponsor usually are. This success was appreciated not only by the student body because they had such a wonderful time, but it was recognized also by the Alumnae, many of whom commented that it was one of the best Proms ever given by Webster. Mayhap that is their way of being charming. We don't know, at any rate among those present from that honorable body were: Gen. Barthel, Louise Murphy, Mary E. Newell, Stella Curtis, Gertrude Jolley, Margaret Mary Brey, Marie Reynolds, Marie Scheer, Ruth Dockery, Helen Eaves, Curly Coyne, Jo Rabbitt, Ann Schilley, Catherine Cody, Ellen Quirk, Mrs. Margaret Mowrey Riley, Anna M. McDermott, Frances Ernst, Virginia Cooney, Orient Weis, Helen Wise, Frances Casey, Mary Schatzman, Marie Reis, Pat McMullen, and Kate O'Flaherty.

Helen Eaves has announced her engagement to Mr. Tal Mulroy. That isn't news? Please remember there are some few of us who had not heard about it. Have you seen the ring? Oh girls!

Mrs. Dayton O'Donnell of Detroit attended the last Alumnae meeting. Another "married name?" This one is Marguerite Barthel.

Remember that little Southern girl from Rayne, La.? Anna Marie Heinen. She was married to Roland Privat on February 11. We wish you all the happiness in the world Anna Marie.

Don't forget the closed retreat for the Alumnae. It begins on February 27 and ends March 1.

The stork visited the Klein home on January 29 and left a dear baby girl. Her mother, Valeria Garthoffner Klein, has called the baby Mary Jean.

Katherine Cummins, of the class of '30, was married yesterday to Dr. H. C. Sartorius of St. Mary's Hospital. The wedding ceremony took place in St. Michael's church, Shrewsbury, with Rev. Joseph Preuss as celebrant of the nuptial Mass. The bridal party consisted of Mrs. M. W. Cummings, matron of honor, and the bride's sister, Mary Virginia Cummins. Mr. M. W. Cummings and Bob Cummins were the groomsmen.

The young couple will make their home in Garden City, Kansas.

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WHERE THEY GO— WHAT THEY DO.

The Web presents the following sketches of Webster graduates who have adopted teaching as their profession and are now serving as members of the faculty:

Speaking of the difference in the educational systems here and abroad, Mlle. Marcel Prevost, head of the French department, explained that there are no colleges in France and that the universities are co-educational.

"Students are placed on their own," she continued. "The courses are on the order of postgraduate

REV. A. A. MALLOY GIVES RETREAT AT COLLEGE

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relations to and obligations toward God, and the place of prayer, "the language of the angels," in every person's life.

In the first three conferences on Thursday, the second day of the retreat, Father discussed the Real Presence, the Institution of the Blessed Sacrament, the value of frequent Communion, and the majesty, grandeur, and infinite merit of the Mass. The second afternoon conference concerned the inevitable end of this life, and the contrast between the death of the sinner and the death of the saint. Father Malloy pointed out that not only is a man's life what he makes it; his death also will be what he himself makes it. The place of our Blessed Mother in the life of every Christian was the subject of the evening conference of the second day.

Marriage Discussed

The first conference of the third day, Friday, was given over to a practical discussion of the Sacrament of Marriage, as the state of life to which most people are called. For the second morning conference, the subject was good and bad reading and the effect of each upon human conduct. He urged the students to read the Bible, thoroughly and frequently.

In the first Friday afternoon conference, Father selected as his topic, the suffering of Christ, which give a meaning and glory to the sufferings of men. He not only showed the place of suffering in human life, but urged greater devotion to the Passion and Death of Christ, especially in time of temptation and sorrow. "Love thy neighbor as thyself" was the text of Father Malloy's second afternoon conference, in which he discussed the meaning of this exhortation for the Catholic woman; and described the power of the smallest member of the body, the tongue, for good or for evil.

Urges Perservance

In the evening conference of the third and last day of the retreat proper, Father Malloy exhorted those who had made the retreat to persevere in the good works they had manifested during those three days, because, in reality, all life is but a retreat in preparation for eternity.

Saturday morning, Father said the Mass which closed the retreat, and addressed a few final words of encouragement to the student body. The Papal Blessing was given, and Benediction followed. Father Malloy and the students then attended the breakfast in the cafeteria, which was arranged and served by the Eucharistic Committee of the Sodality.

Father Malloy's style of speaking is easy, energetic, and forceful. His treatment of familiar subject matter was interesting and surprisingly fresh. An added note of interest in his conferences, were the numerous pertinent and often amusing anecdotes, with which he

work in American universities. Before the war, school life in France was not meant to be pleasant. Boarding schools had the atmosphere of a prison. The girls were not very sociable and were not allowed much freedom."

Because of the sociability of the American college, Mlle. Prevost has found life here extremely pleasant. She had little difficulty in learning English as it was the only tongue which she heard.

Mlle. Prevost came to the United States in 1919, when she won a scholarship to Webster College. Scholarships sponsored by the National Catholic War Council were offered by many American colleges at that time. She came to the United States to travel and learn

"The past four years have been the most interesting of my life," says Genevieve Barthel, athletic instructor at Webster College and Ne-rinx Hall, "because each year brings something new in this line of work, and because I meet so many different people."

"I think that Athletics form an important part in any student's life. It seems to me that the interest of college girls is harder to arouse than that of high-school girls, but once they become enthusiastic I find that they learn readily and in many instances develop into good athletes."

Upon graduating from Webster College in the class of '26, Miss Barthel went to the University of Wisconsin to study Physical Education. At the completion of this course she was offered the position of athletic instructor of Webster College.

In her association with the students Miss Barthel has made many friends and it would be no exaggeration to say that every girl in the college has a warm spot in her heart for the athletic instructor.

Monthly Card Party Sponsored by Guild

With Miss Helen Mulcahy as hostess, the Loretto Social Guild sponsored another very successful card party, on January 23. Those who served on the committee were: Misses Blanche Corley, Helen Cullinane, Marie Murphy, and Anna Dowling.

The table prizes were plants in attractively decorated pots. Ten attendance prizes were given away. The party was well attended and the Guild trusts that all will return and bring their friends with them, for the next social affair, which will take place on February 17.

illustrated his topics. These anecdotes were drawn from a wealth of experience, gathered in thirty years of priesthood, a great part of which has been devoted to missionary labors throughout this country and Canada.

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CRIME PREVENTION SUBJECT OF OPEN FORUM

Rev. Ralph Gallagher, S. J., Cites Methods of Crime Cures in Lecture

Forty per cent of the boys in Crime, are products of broken homes—90 per cent of these broken homes are products of divorce. Thus divorce is fundamentally responsible for our present day crime wave said Rev. Ralph Gallagher, S. J., in an address at the fourth Open Forum, held at Webster College last Sunday evening.

Father Gallagher is chairman of the Division of Criminology and Penology at St. Louis University and chaplain of the City Jail.

With a very brief survey, and some few statistics, Father presented the criminal situation today. Yearly, \$16,000,000,000 are being expended to combat crime; laws grow stricter; jails grow bigger; penitentiaries grow wiser; and crime jogs merrily on, illogically increasing rather than diminishing, becoming daily a more oppressive burden, a menace that gives to man's days, uneasiness and to his nights, dread.

Most Criminals Young

The average age of the American criminal today is somewhere between twenty-one and twenty-three. Youth are the traffickers. That glory that is ordinarily attributed to the rising generation, is being tainted by vile contamination with crime, and later, by the viler contacts that the State makes necessary when the criminal is caught. Old and young, sick and young, callous and callow, sick and healthy, all are thrown together. And investigators must draw the sad conclusion that penitentiaries make penitents less often than they do robbers; that workhouses do little more than nurture in the hearts of offenders, the unholy dread of "lying in," of idleness and inaction in a cheerless cell.

He had not come this night, to talk of coddling the criminal. He had come to make manifest the current need for forestalling, for warding off, crime; the seeds of which are lodged in the youth of the land; seeds that take root and grow so quickly in the heart of the delinquent. "For today's convict is yesterday's delinquent, and the criminal of tomorrow is the delinquent of today." And delinquency in adolescence has its history; a traceable history of stubbornness, rebellion, sullenness, audacity and hardness, beginning with the mother and winding up with the hangman.

"Cures" have been tried and have proven vain. It is all in order that Prevention be given a showing. America's educational system provides that its youth be taught to work. But leisure—those hours after school when the boy and girl are most susceptible to much that fall short of the good—leisure and its profitable usages, have not been expounded. A comparison of the

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Speaker at Foundation's Fourth Open Forum



REV. R. GALLAGHER, S. J.

WEBSTER HOST TO CLASSICAL CLUB MEMBERS

The St. Louis University Classical Club held the first meeting of the new semester on February 22, at Webster College. Rosemary Hynes, president, presided.

Alice Clarke read a very original and entertaining paper on "Xenophon," the journalist of Greek literature.

As a sort of interlude before the second paper, Mr. John Hodnett of St. Louis University, read an "Oratio Georgii Washingtonii" in honor of the day. It was written in Latin, yet "mirabile dictu," it must be confessed that faint frowns of perplexity were seen from time to time on the brows of the classical listeners. Mr. Delbert Morrissey, also of the University, was the composer of this clever little piece of work, but because of illness he was unable to be present.

Mr. William C. Korfmacher, professor of Latin and Greek at the University, and faculty advisor of the club, read a very lovely selection on the Greek Lyric Poets. Since the masculine element of the audience was in the minority, he began with an apology to Alice Clarke, who had said in the course of her composition, "Underneath it all we sense the age old urge of a man to show off before a feminine audience." It seems quite certain that Mr. Korfmacher could never be accused of "showing off", but even if such were the case this time, the feminine listeners could certainly be convicted of enjoying the procedure immensely, for Mr. Korfmacher's passages could not fail to be a source of real pleasure. Refreshments were served after the meeting, and the members spent the remainder of the afternoon in a very pleasant social gathering.

The following new members from Webster College were enrolled in the club: The Misses Jane Burke, Marion Hange, Margaret McCabe, and Lakme Perez. The next meeting was announced for Sunday afternoon, March 15, at the University.

'ANNALS OF LORETTO' PRESENTED BY FATHER LORD

Gives Vivid Account of Early History of Loretine Order

Reverend Daniel A. Lord, S. J., spoke to the students of Webster College and Nerinx Hall on The Annals of the Sisters of Loretto," in Webster College auditorium on Thursday afternoon, February 12. The subject chosen was of particular interest to the students both from a sentimental and from a purely practical viewpoint.

Father Lord gave a sketch of the life of the founder of the Order, Father Charles Nerinckx, and a short account of the history of the Loretto Order. He followed this with a brief discussion of the aims of the Loretto Order.

Father Charles Nerinckx was a Belgian priest who had been ordained but four years when the French Revolution broke out. He refused to take the oath of allegiance demanded of clerics, and fled the city a fugitive, with a price on his head. He took refuge in a hospital where his aunt was the Mother Superior. Four years he lived in the garret of the hospital performing his priestly function in secret. At the end of the four years he set sail for America where he offered himself to Bishop Carroll, for whatever service the latter might desire of him. Father Nerinckx was assigned to Kentucky and thus became one of the four pioneer priests in the West.

Suffers Hardships

The province of Father Nerinckx was the whole state of Kentucky, part of Illinois and Missouri. He had to travel everywhere on horseback, and he suffered untold hardships on his missionary journeys. He and Father Baden were the only priests in Kentucky and they could do very little to care for the Catholics who were constantly coming in from Maryland. To stop the leakage from the Church caused by the lack of priests, he planned, to import missionary priests from Belgium, to establish a community of nuns, and to establish a community of Brothers. The community of Brothers never materialized but the community of nuns we know as our own Sisters of Loretto.

Father Nerinckx believed that the

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Calendar of Coming Events

- March 5.—Mission Card Party.
- March 11.—Game at Maryville College.
- March 12.—College Musicale.
- March 13.—Class Games—Double Header.
- March 19.—One Act Plays—8 o'clock.
- March 20.—Peace Celebration Program.
- April 9.—Chemistry Club Lecture.

To Assume Presidency of College in September



GEORGE FRANCIS DONOVAN
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LAYMAN NAMED HEAD OF WEBSTER COLLEGE

First Lay President of Woman's Institution in This Section Now Member of Webster's Faculty.

The announcement of the appointment of George Francis Donovan as president of Webster College was released to the daily press on February 17 just as the last issue of *The Web* had gone to press and hence too late for publication in that issue. The announcement received considerable publicity and has evoked widespread comment.

Mr. Donovan will assume his new duties in September, with the opening of the college year.

Although new in this part of the country, the policy of appointing a layman to the presidency of a Catholic girls' college has had successful precedent in America during the last few years.

Mr. Donovan, as president, will have charge of a rapidly growing student body and one of the finest college equipments in the State. The faculty consists of the teaching Sisters of Loretto, the Vincentian Fathers, who are in charge of the college's departments of philosophy, social science, history and religion; professors from St. Louis University who teach at the college, and a large staff of laymen and women.

Connected with St. Louis U.

Mr. Donovan is at present a member of the department of history at St. Louis University, of which Webster is a corporate college. For the past two years he has been teaching at Webster also, thus gaining a thorough knowledge of the institution of which he is to become president.

His undergraduate work was completed at Boston College; he received his master's degree from Harvard, where he was captain of the university's debating squad. For several years his teaching career was confined to the public schools of Boston, but he was offered a post on the staff of Rockhurst College, Kansas City, and accepted and taught there with distinction. During this period, Creighton University engaged him on its summer school staff. He expects to receive his doctorate from St. Louis University in June, 1931.

Two years ago St. Louis University added Mr. Donovan to its staff, where he has been one of the most successful and popular members of the history department.

His appointment to the presidency of Webster College means that he will devote his entire time and attention to that institution.

Webster College was originally known as Loretto College, in honor of the religious order which founded it and has it in charge. Developing from a high school, about twelve years ago, it became a senior college and is now fully accredited in the national associations of colleges and universities. It was the first Catholic senior college for girls in the West.

The Loretto order has been a teaching order in St. Louis since 1847. Its first foundation was in

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ALUMNAE'S ANNUAL PASSION PLAY PLANNED

The annual Passion Play, under the auspices of the Webster College Alumnae Association, will take place at the Shubert-Rialto on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, March 26, 27, 28, and on Saturday afternoon, March 28.

The play, entitled "Behold the Man," was written by the Reverend Daniel A. Lord, S. J., the author of "A Fantasy of the Passion," which was played last year. It is being directed by Mr. Harry R. McClain.

Father Lord has drawn his inspiration from the sacred Passion of Our Blessed Lord, but in a way all his own, has portrayed it from a very subjective viewpoint. The play deals with the characters who were responsible for the Passion. The first scene opens in Jerusalem with the characters in costumes of the day. This scene is followed by one with characters in a more modern guise. The trial scene of the Passion is depicted in a New York court room, with modern characters in parallel circumstances.

"The third scene shifts back to Jerusalem. At the close of the play, Judas enters, carrying a rope. He confesses himself the traitor, but before he goes to end his own life, he offers his rope to those who need it as much as he.

A competent cast, some of whom appeared in "A Fantasy of the Passion," others in various Guild and Stock Company productions, has been assembled for the proper interpretation of this gripping dramatic story of tense action that pulsates with life and humanity.

Members of Webster's Alumnae Association who are taking part in the Passion play to be given at the Shubert-Rialto during Holy Week, are Mrs. Anthony O'Mara, Miss Catherine Cody and Miss Jane Lenartz.

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SPRING DANCE

"To be or not to be. That is the question."

Whether 'tis wiser in the mind of our dean that we dance the whole night through at a hotel or here in our social hall, will soon be made known to us. Arguments for and against both places have been discussed, and are now being wisely considered by Sister Edwarda. Sister very graciously offered to take the burden of making this final judgment, thus relieving the Student Council and Junior class of deciding the fatal verdict.

The argument that social hall should be our home and therefore, we should want the dance there, is fiercely contested by the day pupils, who maintain that it may be home to the boarders but it is only school to them. They argue that girls are girls and dances are dances; and social halls of schools aren't really the places where the most brilliant, glamorous social events are staged.

The question of dividing the Spring Dance into a Junior-Senior dance and a Freshman-Sophomore dance has also evoked much discussion. This suggestion met with strong opposition especially in the Sophomore class. These objections, too, are well grounded.

No matter what the final outcome, some will be greatly satisfied and others will inevitably be dissatisfied. But when the decision is made we trust that each and every student will give her whole hearted support to making it a success.

DON'T READ THIS!

Today, after years of mute suffering and poker countenance, we dare to break the silence that has so long enthralled us. We are no longer bitter. Time has worn to bluntness, the sharp exasperated epithets that were wont to rise up and that we ever quelled with far-distant promises, as does an imperial power an insurgent colony.

In the beginning came anger. We wanted to call you names, to hurt your feelings. Anger, however, is too devastating a passion to admit longevity of existence. So we reverted to the maudlin. We wept over ourselves because we were draining our faculties of the cream, the flower, the fruit of their resources; we wept over you because you knew so little as to reject these holocausts. Soon the maudlin gave way to the aloof. Your powers of discernment, we were nil. You were not attuned to the best. Very well. Yours be the loss. But aloofness carries with it a certain chilling isolation, and solitude being conducive to tears, we cast to the winds our lachrymal reserve. Disclaiming all humanitarian advances, we turned our face to the unresponsive wall and pulled the "Nobody loves me" stunt, interspersed here and there with sobs of self-pity. Thus was waged and lost an internal war.

Would you know the identity of "we"? Are you still so lacking in penetration. It is the editorial "we"; the "we" of opinions, of attitudes, of aspired-to-ideals, of expounded ideas; the "we" of pioneer fortitude and much-abused tenacity; the "we" that marks the vital intellectual Webster as distinct from the mechanical Webster. And you do not love "us," you do not read "us."

We have told you how we made a complete circuit of the emotional cycle. We are now fitted to appeal to you with reason. What do you want! Shall we dip our pen in vitriol and abuse and mock you for this or that Abuse and mockery are known to have proven effective in awakening lethargic senses. Shall we sup on honey and make our catering to your lively conceits such as might recall Queen Mab and the Ass's head? You would grow weary of yourselves, made over-conscious of your would-be graces. Shall we be funny, peculiar, sad, wistful, melancholy, personal, impersonal, subjective, or what have you?

For the grace of one sentence, permit us the manifestation of an erstwhile firmness; Editorials shall not die. For the rest, speak to us your mind. We aim to please.

SPEAKING SERIOUSLY

The most certain thing in life is death. The most uncertain thing is the time of death. Oftentimes a person apparently in good health is, a few hours later—dead. It is extremely difficult for most of us who are overflowing with life to realize that we too shall die. Hazlitt, the essayist, expresses this idea in his short sketch entitled "The Feeling of Immortality in Youth."

The season of Lent has a special significance to younger people since it tends to focus their attention to the subject of death, which otherwise would be lost sight of in the whirl of life.

The thought of death, as solemn and serious as it is, should not be something terrifying. The physical shrinking from the pain of death is of course, natural, but those who have witnessed dying moments of many people tell us that the dying do not suffer the same anguish as that of those who are left behind. However, aside from these natural considerations, there is a hereafter to consider and that is the important thing. "As a man lives, so shall he die." A person who neglects his religion in life is likely to neglect it in death. Conversely one who faithfully practices his religion throughout life is most likely in death to feel that peace and contentment which only religion can bring.

Let's make THIS Lent a time of penance and reflection and a period that will help us to retain our faith to the end.

Not That It Matters!

"Famous quotations" around school—surely you've heard them. "Say, who took my Gym bloomers?"

Girls, will you please lower your vocal refrains in the halls!"

"Now, the idear of these peoples concerning slavery was—"

"Oh, Gee! My earthworm doesn't look at all like the one in the book."

"The greatest miracle today is that girls walk on high heels, and retain their balance, 'ee!'"

Oh, yes. Here are several silly smiles, "stude!"

As fast as the Webster vs. Maryville game.

As cold as that mile and a half iceberg in Little America!

As doubtful as the Spring Dance! As desolate as a boarder who's mail box is empty.

As scarce as bow-legs in a chorus!

"Imagine That" In Japan

Young men are asked in marriage just as often as young women. Leap year?

Sake is an essentially Japanese liquor. Who cares?

The mother carries the household purse. No midnite "rousings!"

But she can never go to sleep before her husband. Sleepy or not.

For the day of the wedding the bride has several costumes. She changes them three or four times a day, according to her fortune. Most patience lost, hair all mussed—more fun!

White is the colour of mourning in Japan. China, too.

There is no "ennui" in Japan. Nothing to bore them, eh?

Order is preserved within the theatre by only one "Jap" policeman. Attention, Chicago!

Fujiyama, that snow-clad goddess in Japan is the most beautiful mountain on earth. The picture is enchanting, really!

When the talk is of a comedian of great talent—it is customary to say: "He is a man of thirty-six curtains!" Oh, you say something!

A three-minute lesson in Japanese reveals that—baka means imbecile (thought you would like to know that) obayo means "Good Morning."

Adojanna bakari means you are jesting—I can't say it, either.) But time out! Three minutes are up and so is my space.

Sayonara (Adieu) until—"Laurie."

Web Witticisms

The underclassmen aren't so dumb. Frances McKay thinks a cow goes "beep beep."

Alice Cavanaugh when asked about the speaker at the last Forum said it was a priest from the St. Louis University jail.

Father Donovan in Ethics class was talking about the forms of worship. "If a man builds an altar in his backyard and each morning and evening burns a lamb thereon, what would that be?" Bussman: "A Barbeque Stand."

Q. What is necromance?
 A. Technical term for neck'ing.



ECHOES OF THE HALLS

Mr. George Washington certainly gave us a break by having his birthday on Sunday so we could celebrate Monday. Many of the girls took advantage of the extra day to spend the week-end at home. Mary Zillikin, Mary Hunter Schmoke, Elizabeth Burtle, Mary Burtschi, and Margie Scheu left Webster as soon as classes were over Friday.

Margaret Delmore was a guest at the Notre Dame Junior Prom, Feb. 20.

Musically inclined! Evelyn Tate, Grace O'Bryan, Mildred Smith, Thea Christofferson, Roberta Cunniff, and Virginia Ellet attended a musical given by Mr. Frank Arnold at the Hotel Chase February 15, and Mary and Loretta Day, Marie Brun, Kitty Hennage and Jane Fisher, chaperoned by Miss Fueling heard Madame Galli-Curci at the Odeon, February 20.

Can somebody tell us poor "Stay at homes" what can be the attraction at Rolla?, besides the School of Mines? Several of the Seniors stray down that way regularly and we hear that Mary Virginia Cummins and Carmen Brown were down there again last week-end.

Here's another strange trio—was

it one party? Carrol Coleman, Alice Widmer, and Joe Reddin were seen at the Lowe-Campbell vs. Phillips 66 basketball game Feb. 21.

More girls who spent the week-end going places were Peggy Webster who went down to Arcadia to visit her Alma Mater, and Polly and Mary Agnes Parent who went up to South Bend. Also Lucille Johnson, Mary and Margaret Crane, and Jane Daly spent the week-end in Cuba and Rolla, Missouri with Lucille's family and friends.

On a recent Saturday, (it isn't a secret but I can't find out when), Jane Daly drove up to Jefferson City with Miss Billie Edwards.

Lenora Switzer and Mary Jo Schearer from Kansas City spent the week-end of February 15 here visiting Mary Joe's sister, Rita.

Webster has had some more visitors. Mrs. H. C. Harchildon of Kansas City spent the past week in St. Louis visiting her son and daughter-in-law and Virginia.

And while we're speaking of visitors—Lucille Johnson's brother came up from Missouri U. to visit Lucille and from all reports she appreciates her brother.

Eleanor Carrol seems to have had a birthday party for Washington but it wasn't a big one and Washington was left out. However Mary Elizabeth Griffin, Lenore Crowe, Margaret Crane, and Louise Cowley had luncheon at Eleanor's house, and later attended the theater.

We've been hearing strange reports from Helen Leuer and Hortense Hogan about Marie Brunn's pet alligator. Why not tell the whole story?

LIBRARY NOTES

Curiosity in its lowest form urges man on to peeping through key-holes and listening, unbidden, outside closed doors. Curiosity refined, possesses man in such fashion that he becomes periodical-minded. How and whither are the thoughts of men and women tending? How and why today, from the point of view of yesterday and tomorrow?

These days, "Encyclical" plays the gamin with our thoughts. February's Current History gives the full context of Pope Pius XI's Encyclical on Marriage; February's N. C. W. C. tries its hand at analyzing the text; the America of January pays tribute by expounding generally, on "The Christian Ideal of Marriage"; editorials thunder, and even the mildest of mankind are led to expostulate, if only to be "up to the minute." We, too, to be with the moving current, must expound; must hold forth at large on marriage; for are we not the coming generation, the builders for tomorrow?

We are Youth, but a few steps removed, in one direction, from the Child; in the other direction, from the parents. And this is the Child's world, psychologists declare. How clever! How very original of psychology to introduce as a novelty, a factor that Catholic teaching endeavors to make fast in the hearts of the faithful; that upon procreation within the Sacrament of Marriage rests the well-being of a nation.

Down the ages, the Church has taught man to look upon legitimate off-spring as a blessing. Today, even among pagans, youth is hailed the blessed of the land. And we review with unconcealed pride, the whys and wherefores of an unbroken line of Catholic Fireside Blessedness: Its divine origin; its Sacramental nature; its ties without gap; its frank discouragement of mixed marriages and separations, even with Church law; the dignity it accords woman, her functions and duties, by its fearless denunciation of Birth Control.

The girl, with characteristic ego, looks upon herself and within herself. She is young and hence she is what the nature of her parents willed that she will herself to be. And being by God endowed with an innate sense of discrimination between good and bad, beautiful and ugly, she makes her calculation and is well pleased. To justify her existence, she looks to her parents. She sees manifested in their state, the grace accorded a union begun with God's special stamp of approval; a union sustained by love, fidelity, constancy, already acceptance of the souls God has seen fit to offer for His greater glory; a union through which has been brought about the clarity and warmth of the Catholic Home Atmosphere. Again the girl calculates, and with the same total is born a resolve, to establish her own life on a footing no less sturdy; under a guidance no other than that of the Guide.

The Encyclical on Marriage is by no means a new attempt to combat heretical and pagan attitudes toward wedlock. The tenets stated and clarified by Pope Pius XI, must go back for authorship, to God. And crys of so-called new thought regarding the "Child's world," must become sufficed in face of Christ's words: "Suffer little children to come unto Me, for as such is the kingdom of Heaven."

So when the blare and fan-fare of "New Child Psychology" comes to town with wares many-shaped and vari-colored, let us be sound and old-fashioned; let us set at nought, new thought by reverting to wisdom, eternally new; by keeping intact that "Encyclical-mindedness."

Sodality Notes

From the reports we hear concerning "National Vocation Week," we judge that the movement was eminently successful. We know that it was eminently successful here at Webster. No, all the Sodalists did not enter religion, or marry, or begin their lives of single blessedness, during that week; but that was not the purpose of the activity. What "Vocation Week" accomplished was the creation in the Sodalists of a self activity, whereby we were made to pray more earnestly for the light and strength necessary to cope with this all important question; to consider more fully the difference of the three callings, and the individual talents which incline the soul to a particular life; and to realize the necessity of some day making a personal choice between these three states. And who knows but that some even determined their choice during those few days of special grace?

To help us accomplish this aim, our chaplain, Father Donovan, gave us a series of lectures explaining the different states of life. On Tuesday, Father Donovan spoke on the "State of Single Blessedness," placing emphasis on the words of St. Paul which tell us of the sublimity of the state of virginity. "Marriage" was the subject of the talk on Wednesday. In that sermon, stress was laid on the necessity of the candidates, entering the state, to be well equipped with acquired virtue and not merely the possessors of "baby virtue." On Thursday, Father spoke on the "Religious State." This talk was woven around the words of Christ, Himself, "Take up your cross and follow Me." The talks brought "home" to the Sodalists several salient points, which hitherto they had not known and, no doubt drove away several false notions. The series of sermons were delivered in the Chapel and after the conclusion of each, Benediction was given.

The week opened formally on Monday with a chapel meeting, wherein prayers for light and strength were said. The Sodality Communion on Friday morning closed the week's group activity. During the week appropriate and attractive posters marked the bulletin board. The articles which attracted our attention most were the accounts of Mary Helen Lynch, a former Webster Sodalist, and at present a Loretine postulant, and that of the Loretine Novice.

SISTER GERALDINE IS CALLED TO HER REWARD

Webster girls were deeply grieved to learn of the sudden death of Sister Geraldine, on Feb. 14. Sister Geraldine entered the Loretto Order some fifty years ago. Before she came to Webster she taught in Cairo Illinois, Cape Girardeau, Moberly Missouri, and Louisville, Kentucky. She was seventy-three years old.

The student body in cap and gown attended the solemn requiem Mass, which was celebrated by the Reverend C. A. Curry, a very dear friend of Sister Geraldine's. Reverend F. J. Remler, C.M., deacon and Reverend M. J. O'Connell, C. M., subdeacon, assisted Father C. A. Curry. Reverend J. P. Donovan, C.M., was master of ceremonies.

Prayers of all Webster students are requested for the repose of Sister's soul.

EPISODE TWO

(Continued from last issue.)

What is the Prima Primaria? Is our Sodality affiliated? The Prima Primaria is a head Sodality—a mother Sodality, which can communicate to others affiliated with it the privileges and indulgences possessed by itself. This special power was granted to the first Sodality established at the Jesuit College in Rome, by His Holiness, Gregory XIII. Many Pontiffs since that time have increased the indulgences and the privileges of the Sodality. To this Sodality we as individuals belong, capable of gaining the innumerable indulgence, because our Sodality is affiliated with the Prima Primaria.

"NOVITIATE WEEK"

After the last meeting, during which the prefect explained the purpose, etc., of "Vocation Week" and stated very emphatically several times that the purpose was not to "grab" girls into the convent, one of the Junior Sodalists went out of the meeting and told Sister Nerinckx that the Sodality was sponsoring National Novitiate Week. Would the psychologist accuse the Sodalist of obsession, or the Prefect of auto-suggestion? We think it was just a funny "Lapsus Linguae."

GETTING WARMER

The thermometer on the Sodality Bulletin Board, which records the number of Masses and Holy Communions, is rising steadily due to the fire of love and penance which the Sodalists are enkindling very well during Lent. But remember—all fires, except the eternal fire, need refueling. Don't let your fire cease during Lent!

MORE JOY

Some of the Sodalists have been spreading joy among those people who are less blessed than ourselves. Margaret Schwitzer, Virginia Ellet, Bernice Durbin, Mary Casey, Melinda Schwartz, Evelyn Rogles, Dorothy Venker and Rose Wuerz have all visited St. Francis' (Colored) Orphanage. Just ask any of these girls, or any senior who visited there last year and received delicious Valentine cookies, how much joy is brought to others by such works, which is not without its personal gratification.

Irma Schleicher and Mary Burt-schi made a visit to the Old Folks Home. They tell us that there is much possibility for spreading joy to those old folks.

Retreat for Ladies at Webster Is Well Attended

The Ladies' Closed Retreat which took place on Feb. 27, 28, and closed on March 1 at 6 P. M. was marked with great success. Reverend Daniel A. Lord, S.J., the Retreat Master, gave many practical and inspiring talks.

Almost a hundred women availed themselves of the opportunity of making this retreat, for all the rooms on the first and second floors of Loretto Hall were reserved.

The Retreat was sponsored by The Loretto Foundation, for the members of the Foundation, Loretto Alumnae and their friends. Miss Mary F. McDermott, president of the Loretto Foundation was general chairman of arrangements for the Retreat.

CLUB CHAT

Progressive plans are afoot for the Poetry Club. "The New Negro, Contributor to National Culture and Potential Collaborator in National Self-Expression" is to be considered at the next meeting. Discussion and reading of the non-dialect poems, first fruits of the Negro Renaissance, will comprise the program.

The new feature—a study of poetry whose greatest beauty lies in reference to Greek mythology, will be introduced at the first of a series of subsequent meetings wholly devoted to this kind of verse. The "Endymion" of John Keats has been voted upon for first consideration.

The Choral Club is attaining considerable prominence. On last Thursday, February 19, the third meeting of the united choral clubs of the corporate colleges was held in Webster's auditorium. The attendance was well near the hundred mark.

Lest sight be lost of the fact, this combining of the three choral clubs, Webster, Fontbonne and St. Louis University, is an attempt on the part of Fr. Louis Forrey, S.J., to establish among the St. Louis Colleges an extensive and united chorus. The rehearsals for the present are to be held every other week alternating between Fontbonne and Webster. This does not include the individual workouts and rehearsals that will take place at the respective schools.

On Thursday evening, February 26, after quite an extensive and exhaustive workout, the guests were invited to Social Hall where the Webster girls showed themselves to be quite the charming hostesses. Refreshments were served and there was dancing until ten-thirty.

The informality and sociability of these meetings makes them very enjoyable.

Alumnae News

Helen McEvoy, the star of "Your Uncle Dudley" had one of the leading roles in "Skidding," a comedy presented by the St. Luke's Dramatic Society at the Midtown Theatre on February 13. From all reports the presentation was quite a success.

One more old familiar face is gone. Peg Vollet has left the Foundation Office to teach at St. Anthony's Hospital. She is filling the place left vacant by Agnes Tuschmidt Smith. Have we missed Peg? Three guesses.

On February 22, Mrs. George Heil, the former Frances Powers became the mother of twins, a boy and a girl.

Among those who had the pleasure of attending the wedding of Anna Marie Heinen at Rayne, La., was Betty Sharpe. While on her visit to the South Betty was also the guest of Margaret McMeel.

Carmen Brown of Fort Madison, is visiting Mary Virginia Cummins. Carmen was a former Webster student, but graduated from Iowa State College last year. She came down for the wedding of Catherine Cummins and is spending a few weeks with Mary Virginia Cummins.

Liggett's Drug Store

Lockwood at Gore
The home of luncheon specials
and fountain delicacies
Where service rules

Scholastic Gives Talk on India

Charles Saldanha, S. J., a scholastic at St. Louis University recently gave an instructive lecture on his native land, India. Mr. Saldanha is a native of Portuguese descent, and his family have been Christians, members of the Catholic faith, for four centuries. He stressed this latter point in assuring us that he was not a Hindoo. Hinduism is a religion not a nationality. In India there are four religions: Hinduism, Mohammedanism, Christianity and Paganism. Three-fourths of the population are Hindoos and believe in the transmigration of souls. These Hindoos abstain from all meat for fear of eating the flesh of some ancestor.

The Mohammedans, believing that Mohammed is the sole prophet of God, are very fanatical. However they are to be admired for their fidelity to their prayers.

To the Pagans' gruesome method of disposing of their dead, India owes its lovely Hanging Gardens. The five Towers of Silence serve as the burial ground for the pagan Indians. These are high towers with a three ringed well in the center. In the first well are placed the bodies of dead men; in the second, those of the dead women; in the third those of dead children. Vultures would swoop down and devour these corpses and in flying over the city often dropped particles of decayed flesh into the drinking water tanks. To protect the health of the people the famous Hanging Gardens were built over the tanks.

The caste system, which determines not only the social and religious spheres in which the individual moves, but also the exact details of his dress, has perdured in India these many centuries and is a serious handicap to the Missionaries. The Brahmins to which Mr. Saldanha belongs is the highest of these classes.

Although its problems are many, India does not have to cope with the marital problem. There is practically no divorce. The children are betrothed at birth but do not marry until they are about fifteen years of age. Marriages are arranged by the parents.

The population of India is 340,000,000. Ninety per cent of the people live in the country. To Americans the life of modern India would seem very slow, but Mr. Saldanha thinks they would find compensation in the "bluer skies, brighter stars and lovelier flowers."

Mr. Saldanha is much impressed with this glorious country of ours, and is enjoying his stay here immensely.

Webster girls considered this lecture one of the finest they have been privileged to hear, and eagerly await Mr. Saldanha's return.

AFTER THE GAME

Victory is sweet! There is no one who will not gladly except it without limitations. It is accompanied by an overwhelming joy and also by some subtle unknown quality.

At our recent basketball game with Maryville College, Fate smiled upon us in the last minute of play and victory was the reward! Such rejoicing was never heard before in Idle Hour, after a hair raising conflict with one of our friendly enemies.

Later, we found that it was not fate but supernatural aid which gained victory for us. Remarks, here and there, made this fact certain.

"I'll never be the same again. Do you realize that I have to go without desert for three whole weeks?" "Wasn't that a beautiful game—as a result I have to say the Stations every day during the rest of Lent." "Such technique on the part of our basketeers was perfect. I have to say the Rosary every day from now until June."

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MARYVILLE VS. WEBSTER

Webster scored another victory Tuesday, Feb. 24, probably the most thrilling and exciting victory of the year, over Maryville. The game ended with the close score of 22-21.

Maryville girls had a decided advantage in height over our team, and throughout the first half it looked as though this great handicap would lead them to victory. At the half, Maryville held the score 17-8.

Our team rallied to a marked degree in the third quarter, but the score was still in Maryville's favor, 20-12.

And then came the fight. In the fourth quarter Webster fought as only true Websterites can fight when the glory of their Alma Mater is at stake. The guards, Bussman and Brunn held their forward with remarkable ability, and prevented them from scoring a field goal. The only point they gained in this quarter was due to an intentional foul made by Bussmann in an attempt to play for time. For this clever bit of strategy Captain Bussmann is to be highly complimented.

Everyone on the team deserves the highest congratulations for the fine team work displayed throughout the game. Bussmann, guard; Hayse, running center, and McBride, forward, were outstanding in their performance.

T. C. VS. WEBSTER

On Feb. 18, Webster defeated Harris Teachers College in a very decisive basketball game, the final score being 26-14. Webster players suffered by comparison physically but excelled in ability. Webster's team work was far superior to that of their opponents.

The centers, Broeker and Hayse, played the best game they have played this year. They were fast and always at their position ready to receive the pass from either the forwards or the guards. The forwards with their successful signals and passes managed to keep the lead for Webster. Jane Daly and Mary Casey ably relieved the first string forwards, Gen and Joe. The starting guards were Bussmann and Murphy, with McGirl proving to be an excellent substitute.

Layman Named Head of Webster College

(Continued from Page 1) Florissant, where for many years it carried on the Loretto Academy, from which were graduated many of the leading women of St. Louis. Besides Webster College, the Sisters of Loretto teach in eighteen parochial schools in St. Louis and the near vicinity and conduct two academies, Loretto Academy, at Lafayette avenue and Longfellow boulevard, and Nerinx Academy, in Webster Groves.

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Crime Prevention Subject of Open Forum

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sum wasted on crime, with the \$11,000,000 lavished yearly, on free time agencies, is sufficient evidence of America's failing in this regard.

Underprivileged Districts

Crime has its birth, education and maturity in certain districts. Such underprivileged localities, where boys and girls draw their first breaths of fetidness and knowing little of purer air, judge the fetid to be the only means of sustenance, localities where boys and girls possessed of body and soul with their attendant needs, are not given a square deal, a fair chance, these sections are worthy of our consideration, of our initial preventative measures. More, society owes its efforts to such districts. Society is at the bar of judgment, not the boy. Society is to blame, not the boy.

What can the Church, the State, the Laity do in the way of Prevention? On the Church rests the responsibility of planting in youth fine moral and religious principles. To the State is charged the duty of teaching respect for such principles. And it remains with the laity to provide for that strong leadership that will so prevail upon principle until it becomes action, life.

Divorce in its relation to youth, said Father Gallagher, is as disastrous as leprosy. It takes from the boy and girl the right that belong to each individual; the right to a real mother, a real father; the right to the guidance and protection that real mothers and real fathers afford their children.

So many differences have been expressed on the causes of crime; liquor, cars, guns. But these are not to be confused with causes, or the cause. These are occasions of crime, while the real and fundamental cause lies in the deliberate, willful action on the part of the individual. Church, State, School and Home must unite for the common cause; must unite against the treachery of circumstance that threatens to overwhelm tomorrow's men and women.

Father Gallagher asked that those more fortunate remember that Christ was once a boy. With this injunction, Father closed his talk and gave the audience leave to agree or dissent.

Effect of Wrong Ideas

In answer to a question put by Miss Alice Widmer of Webster College, as to whether broken homes really are fundamental causes of delinquencies, Father repeated that the individual himself is the real cause of crime; his intellect seeks the true, his will seeks the good; and the individual has committed crime because he has been permitted to entertain ideas contrary to the good and the true. Herein lies the cause. Deprived of the right attitude and ideas through lack of example; of moral principles through lack of teaching; of character through lack of moral principles; is it to be wondered at that Youth today occupies the limelight in the criminal sphere?

Another question from the floor: Is it not possible, with all this supervision and guidance tonight advocated and in fact urged, that the child will lose of individuality, of dependability, of a sense of responsibility? Does not constant supervision, in the long run, warp the individual? Father, answering this query, stressed the need for leadership in the fullest sense of the word; a leadership for these boys and girls, for these children, that will call forth individuality; a leadership that will be satisfied with nothing less than the very best that youth can be trained to give. Boys must be saved by boys, Father declared; girls must be saved by girls; and the strength of the more fortunate must awaken response in the hearts of the lesser.

ATTENTION!

We, the Nancy Havern Unit, cordially invite you, the student body and your friends, to attend a card party to be given Thursday afternoon, March 5, in Social Hall at 2:30. The admission fee is twenty-five cents. There will be lovely prizes, and refreshments will be served. And now, "Thank you, "until we see you at the Mission Card Party.

Nancy Havern Mission Unit.

"Annals of Loretto" Presented By Father Lord

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one way to assure the future of the Catholic Church was to educate the children. "My nuns shall work for the glory of God and the salvation of souls, through the education of females." Accordingly he built with his own hands, a convent for women, and finished it in 1808. "Father Nerinckx," said the speaker, "had the soul of a hero, and the body of a samson." It was only his tremendous strength which sustained him through those first dark years in Kentucky.

He contributed something of his strength to the Order which he founded. The first Loretto nuns could never have endured the hardships they were called upon to suffer unless they had been endowed with a truly celestial fortitude.

First Loretto Nun

Mary Rhodes was the first Sister of Loretto. After the convent which Father Nerinckx had built was destroyed by fire, she began teaching in an old tumbled-down log cabin and was soon joined by Christina Stewart and Nancy Havern. Later, Ann Rhodes, a young sister of Mary, entered the community and became the first Superior of the Loretto Order.

The first school was established at Hardin's Creek, Kentucky, in 1812. The land was purchased from Father Nerinckx for seventy-five dollars with money obtained from the sale of one of Nancy Havern's slaves. The sisters had many pupils despite the fact that the school was little better than a hovel. The students paid their tuition for a semester with twenty pounds of sugar and ten pounds of bacon.

Besides the trial of obedience, the Sisters were called upon to suffer the trial of poverty. The story of the early years of the Loretto Order is one of incredible hardships and misery. The nuns were forced to do all their cooking out of doors in both winter and summer, chop their own wood, and do all their own work.

Pioneer Work

The Loretto Sisters were the first order of nuns founded in America. They were the first women to teach the Indians—in 1840 they began their work among the Osages. They continued expanding farther and farther West, and today one finds their houses all through that territory.

Today we find them pioneering as a missionary order in China—true to the spirit of their Order.

"The Loretto Order is unique," said Father Lord, "as the first truly American order." It is unique too, in the spirit of pioneering which has ever characterized it. There are seven characteristics which distinguish the order of the Sisters of Loretto from all others: Its Americanism, its poverty, its spirit of penance; its spirit of humility; its love for children and its hospitality.

The talk was enthusiastically received by the students who realized more than ever the privilege they enjoyed in being allowed to study under the tutelage of the Sisters of Loretto.

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FEAST OF SEVEN DOLORS TO BE OBSERVED MARCH 27 WITH SOLEMN HIGH MASS

Lorette's Feast Day Will Mark Close of the Forty Hours' Adoration

The feast of the Seven Dolors of the Blessed Virgin, will be celebrated on Friday, March 27, and will be marked by the closing of Forty Hours Devotion. This is the patronal feast of the Sisters of Loretto, and His Grace and many of the St. Louis clergy will be present.

The Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Albert Drohan, C.P., of St. Ann's parish, Normandy; Rev. J. Venverloh of the parish of St. Paul the Apostle will be deacon and Rev. Thomas Hayes of St. Michael's parish, St. Louis, sub-deacon.

Rev. Joseph P. Donovan, C.M., will be master of ceremonies and the sermon will be preached by Rev. A. E. Westhoff of St. Peter's parish, Kirkwood. The chanter will be Rev. W. J. Tucker of Holy Redeemer parish, Webster, and Rev. J. S. Kane of Sacred Heart parish, St. Louis.

The entire student body in cap and gown will attend the Solemn Mass, after which there will be a procession and Solemn Benediction.

The Seven founders of the Servite Order, in the thirteenth century, devoted their lives to special meditation on the seven sorrows of Mary, which are, the prophecy of Simeon, the flight into Egypt, the loss of the Child for three days, the meeting of Christ and His Mother on the way to Calvary, the agony of Mary standing at the foot of the Cross, Mary's receiving into her arms the body of Our Lord taken down from the Cross, and the placing of Christ in the tomb.

The Feast of the Seven Dolors was instituted at a Provincial Council, held at Cologne, in the year 1423, during the time that the Hussites with fanatical zeal were destroying crucifixes and images of the Blessed Mother. Later in 1725, Pope Benedict XIII, ordered the Feast to be celebrated on the Friday following Passion Sunday.

Summer School Students to Come Here in August

Webster will act as hostess to the out-of-town students who will attend the "Summer School of Catholic Action," planned by the St. Louis University school of sociology and two of its corporate colleges, namely, Webster and Fontbonne. It will be held from August 16 to 30, under the direction of the Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S.J., and the Rev. Joseph Husslein, S.J., dean of the university school of sociology.

The Summer School of Catholic Action will follow the regular summer session of the university. Students are thus offered an intensive training in religious leadership, applied sociology, and the technique of organization in school and parish. Instructors will be taken from the staff of "The Queen's York," and from the faculties of St. Louis

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WEBSTER MOURNS DEATH OF MISS WAHRER, CLASS '24

The Sisters and students of Webster were greatly shocked when they received word of the death of Gertrude Wahrer of Fort Madison, Iowa, on February 28. She is the first graduate of Webster College who has died.

Gertrude had been ill for two weeks but her condition was not thought serious until Saturday morning when paralysis developed. Her last words, uttered as she gazed on the crucifix were: "I am not afraid."

She came to Loretto College Academy when she was fourteen years old and finished her high school course in 1920. The following fall found her enrolled at Webster, then known as Loretto College, from which she graduated with the class of '24. Her work as an instructor in mathematics in the high school of Fort Madison, where she lived for many years, has received no mean share of praise. The high school was closed on the morning of her funeral and most of the students attended her funeral Mass.

On Sunday, March 15, a Mass was offered in Webster's Chapel for the repose of her soul. Members of the Alumnae attended and received Holy Communion.

Gertrude Wahrer will have a share in our prayers, and the spirit of real kindness which characterized her will not fail to leave its imprint on those who loved her so well in her school days here at Webster.

Mother General and Sect'y. Visit Friends at W. C.

Among Webster's distinguished visitors are Mother Olivette, Mother General of the Loretto Order, and Mother Anne Marita, Secretary General who are both from Loretto, Kentucky.

Mother Praxedes, superioress of Loretto College in El Paso, accompanied by Sister Hubert of the same school has also been a guest at Webster for the past few weeks. At present she is recuperating from a broken leg at St. Mary's Hospital. We take this opportunity to wish Mother a speedy recovery.

Calendar of Coming Events

March 25, 26, 27—Forty Hours' Devotion.
March 27.—Feast of Seven Dolors. Solemn High Mass at 10:00 o'clock.
April 1-8.—Easter Vacation.

PASSION PLAY TO BE GIVEN AT SHUBERT

Alumnae to Give Four Performances on March 26, 27 and 28

The Webster College Alumnae will present "Behold the Man," a compelling drama by the Reverend



Miss Cody

Daniel A. Lord, S. J., at the Shubert - Rialto Theatre in St. Louis, the evenings of March 26, 27 and 28, and the afternoon of March 28, under the auspices of the College Alumnae.

There are only three feminine characters. Martha Jane Lenartz will have the lead, playing Ruth, wife of Joachim, a wealthy Jew; Theo Monti O'Mara plays the part of Procula, and Catherine Cody, that of Miriam. These girls are all Webster College Alumnae and took prominent parts in "A Fantasy of the Passion," presented by Webster College Alumnae this time last year at the Odeon.

Theo O'Mara has been playing all this winter in Catholic Theatre Guild productions. She has attracted much attention in the "Jade God," presented seven nights last week at the St. Louis University auditorium under the auspices of the Guild for the benefit of the Red Cross Drought Relief Fund.

Sylvester Kuntz has the lead among the men, playing the part of Joachim, the Jewish financier. Other important male parts will be depicted by Jerry F. Gesell, Joseph P. Kelly, Jr., Raymond E. Krings, Joseph McKenna, J. William Murray, Thomas Riordan and Glen Saxton.

The Alumnae is particularly fortunate in having its play under the personal direction of Harry Richard McClain, one of the outstanding directors of the city.

The Senior class along with the student body is assisting the Foundation Office with some of the publicity work in connection with the play. They are also looking after the Saturday afternoon performance.

MISSION UNIT GIVES BENEFIT CARD PARTY

The Nancy Havern Mission Unit sponsored a card party, Thursday afternoon, March 5, in Social Hall.

The success of this party was due solely to the splendid co-operation of the student body. Prizes were won by the nine highest scorers. These prizes, and the refreshments which were served, were donated by the girls. The proceeds amounted to twenty-two dollars and fifty cents.

Marjorie Scheu was the lucky winner of the first prize. The other prizes were won by Jane Fischer, Mary E. Griffin, Mary Burtzsch, Helen Keeley, Lillian Casey, Elizabeth Burtle, Grace O'Brien, Gladys Oltman.

FATHER O'BOYLE SPEAKS ON ANNULMENTS OF MARRIAGES AT FIFTH OPEN FORUM

Tells How and When Church Will Declare Marriages Null and Void

MUSIC STUDENTS PRESENTED IN SPRING RECITAL

On the afternoon of March 12, 1931, the Musical Department of Webster College presented to an exceptionally appreciative audience, an interesting program of piano and vocal selections.

The Choral Club opened the program with an enthusiastic "Welcome Sweet Springtime." This was followed by selections from the "Woodland Sketches" of MacDowell—numbers two and four, quite creditably rendered by Kathleen Hamel.

The irresistible charm of Victor Herbert's compositions was shown in Romina Quinliven's rendition of his lovely "Mystery of Life." The haunting melody of the song still rings in our ears.

The proximity of St. Patrick's Day made songs of Ireland popular. "That Old Irish Mother of Mine," was sung by Frances Weber; "Smilin' Through," a duet by Loretto and Mary Day; "When Irish Eyes are Smilin'," by Marie Brun; and "I'll Take You Back Again, Kathleen," by Leona Simma. Other vocal selections were "God Touched the Rose," sung by Rita Scherer, and "Roses and You," Leona Simma's second selection.

The piano numbers were the following: "Mountain Streams," played by Grace O'Bryan; Chopin's "Waltz in G. Flat," by Eleanor Carroll; "Tarantelle," by Theo Christofferson; "Troika," by Katherine Kohl; and, lastly, Chopin's "Scherzo," which was most pleasingly and charmingly done by Virginia Ellet.

TWO WEBSTER GIRLS MAIDS AT ST. LOUIS U. PROM ON APRIL 7

Two of our Webster girls will this year grace the St. Louis U. Prom as Prom Maids. They are Ann Ryan who will represent Webster College and Marie Wibracht who was chosen by the C. and F. Department of the University. This year's Prom will, according to reports emanating from the University, be the most elaborate in the school's history. The affair is scheduled to take place on the evening of Tuesday, April 7 in the University gym on West Pine Blvd. The music will be broadcast over station KWK, beginning at 10:30 p. m.

Easter Greetings From the Web

The WEB staff extends to the faculty and students of Webster College its heartiest wishes for a happy and joyous Easter.

Again a scheduled forum, a series of which is being offered under the auspices of the Loretto Foundation of Webster College, was conducted by the Rev. Fr. O'Boyle, S. J., of St. Louis University, on the evening of Sunday, March 15, in the Webster College auditorium. The subject under discussion, Marriage and Annulment, was particularly attractive in the appeal it must necessarily make to all persons, regardless of sect or age.

To open his talk, Father presented a comparison. The layman, he said, reads of divorces and probably makes some sort of mental reservation to the effect that there are people like that. He reads of annulments granted by the Pope, immediately the Church comes in for a deal of sound, hearty criticism. The Church is going back on her own traditions; she is letting down all barriers. But it is for the very reason of her fundamental teaching today as yesterday and tomorrow, that she is so often misrepresented.

"Annulment" Misused
Father deplored the use of the word "annulment"; said that what we term annulment is rather a declaration of the nullity of a marriage; a pronouncement that, what because of a ceremony that has been regarded as a marriage gone through with, was in reality, no marriage at all. Quoting from the Book of Genesis and from the recent Encyclical on Marriage, Father clarified the claim that the Church makes regarding marriage: its Divine origin, its dignity as a sacrament and of course this sacrament, like all other sacraments, is under the jurisdiction of the Church. Where in individual cases it appears to the non-Catholic that divorce is permitted under cover of a declaration of nullity, such opinions arise out of a misconception of the accepted grounds for annulment.

Causes of Invalidity
Such grounds the Church considers under a heading of Impediments. Often there has come to the public eye the case of a man once married, outside the Catholic Church, divorced and married again by a priest, to a Catholic woman. Here, the Church reserves the right, on Divine authority, to declare null and void, the first marriage into which the man had entered. Such an instance illustrates the impediment of a previous marriage. Too, a boy under sixteen years and a girl under fourteen years may be married by a priest, under false age pretense. A declaration of nullity is possible here on the grounds of the age impediment. A man having once received the Sacrament of Holy Orders, now, unknown to priest or girl, a renegade, may enter invalidly, into the marriage bond. On the impediment of Holy Orders, nullity may be declared.

Classes of Impediments
In number there are twenty-three impediments; in class there are three: Impediments by Natural Law, Impediments by Divine Positive Law, and Impediments by Ecclesiastical Law.
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HOLY WEEK

With the approach of Holy Week the mind of the Christian World is turned to the Passion of Christ, to the words and deeds of the Son of Galilee during the six days from the supper at Bethany to His Crucifixion on Calvary's Mount; and after that to the silence of the tomb and finally to the glorious resurrection therefrom on Easter morn.

Holy Week is ushered in with Palm Sunday, commemorative of the procession of the palms. The blessing and distribution of the palms as we have it today is a living memory of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives amid the Hosannas of the people—the very ones who a few days hence were to cry out for His Blood. What thoughts are we to gather from this fulsome expression of praise and the sudden turn of sentiment that followed in its wake? Are these people of Christ's day the only ones to turn on Him? Are they the only ones to cry for His Blood? to demand His very life? Was it their voices only that called out "give us Barabas?" Ah reader, one glance into our inner selves will suffice to make us realize that these people in their enthusiasm and then in their hate only typify us of today, who praise Him one moment and in the next offend Him by our sins. We are the people of Jerusalem who cried for His Blood; we are the ones who shouted "give us Barbara"; we are His villifiers, His executioners.

And then Holy Thursday comes—the day on which the Church celebrates with joyous solemnity the institution of the Blessed Sacrament. At the Mass the "Gloria in Excelsis" is sung amid the general ringing of bells, after which they are stilled in token of the Church's bereavement during the time of Christ's Passion and Burial. On this blessed day may we not be thankful for this expression of Christ's love for us—His leaving Himself in the Eucharistic Host as our daily bread and hope—keeping silent vigil in our tabernacles, waiting for us to come and speak with Him.

On Good Friday is celebrated the Mass of the Pre-Sanctified and later in the day from twelve o'clock noon until three the Tre Ore service brings us face to face with the crucifixion and the last words of our Lord on the cross. It is a hardened heart indeed that is not touched with sorrow during these solemn hours of contemplation and prayer.

Again on Holy Saturday is the Mass with its joyous "Gloria," at which all the bells are rung, the statues and pictures unveiled, and the triumphant Alleluias proclaim the glorious Resurrection of the Risen Christ on Easter morning.

Holy Week for the Catholic is the culmination of the forty days of fasting and prayer, and as Christ rose triumphant over death, so too, the Catholic who is faithful to the obligations of Lent will rise triumphant over sin and temptation to the greater honor and glory of the risen Christ.

OUR PRESIDENT-ELECT

It is the esteemed privilege of the WEB, as the voice of the student body, to express the pleasure with which the announcement was received of Mr. G. F. Donovan's election to the presidency of Webster College. Furthermore, we wish to take this opportunity to felicitate Mr. Donovan on his new distinction.

Webster College is the first Catholic women's college of the West to place a man in the president's chair, although several Eastern colleges have done so before now. After this new course of action had been decided upon, we are extremely fortunate in the choice that was made for our first president under the new order. Mr. Donovan's abilities have long been recognized, and Webster College may look forward to a regime under his authority with pleasant expectancy.

The directors of our college have taken a step which will give Webster wider representation in collegiate education circles, and further Webster progress in other ways, as well. Mr. Donovan, we know, will make every effort to promote Webster's success. Then there is but one other necessary factor for progress, of which Webster proudly boasts.

That one other necessary factor is the whole-hearted support of the student body. So we gladly take this opportunity to assure Mr. Donovan, our president-elect, that every girl in Webster College stands ready and willing to cooperate with him in every respect; to assist, as far as it lies within her power, to further the progress of Webster College—to make the name of her Alma Mater glorious!

IN MEMORIAM

On February 28, death claimed one of our Alumnae members. Gertrude Wahrer, the first graduate of Webster to meet her heavenly reward, was the victim. The faculty and students were indeed shocked when the news reached them.

Death is a sad thing and an odd kind of sorrow is felt when one is taken in the prime of life, and while looking to the future which seems to hold so much in store for them. However, for the Catholic, death is not necessarily something to be dreaded. Gertrude Wahrer has gone forth endowed with the gifts of Christ and blessed with the true faith; she has gone forth as a shining example of Catholic College Womanhood. She was quiet, always ready to help anyone and to excuse the faults of everyone, and as we remember her, we are not surprised that when death claimed her, she gazed with perfect resignation at her crucifix, and uttered as her last words, "I am not afraid."

We loved her in life. Let us not forget her then, in death.



"At the Foot of the Cross"

*Come, take thy stand beneath the Cross,
 And let the Blood from out His side
 Fall gently on thee drop by drop;
 Jesus, our Love, is crucified.*

*O love of God! O sin of man!
 In this dread act your strength is tried;
 And victory remains with love,
 For He, our love, is crucified!*

Because He Is Arisen

From out the silent shadows of the Tomb He came,
 And gave His benediction to the guilty world
 That Easter morn. The scented lilies sighed His name—
 The sun its joyous, golden banner had unfurled—
 Because He had arisen!

The crown of thorns from Mary's heart did fall
 And in its stead a coronet of roses grew.
 Her tender eyes a vision of His smile recall
 And hopeful, turn upon the human race anew.
 Because He is arisen!

Can you not break the crown of sins which bind
 Your soul, and plant a rose from Mary's there?
 Will you not leave the world behind,
 And join with Mary in her Easter Prayer
 Because He is arisen?
 —By M. A. D., '33.

To a Moth

O Silver-Wing that brusheth
 A lamp's bright, searing flame!
 Feel you the blight that rusheth
 From that mad, hissing flame?

Wind swirls through the twilight,
 Swoops and fans the blaze;
 Makes the leaping firelight
 Blur to crimson haze.

A hover, then helpless dipping
 Into tongues that flay;
 A ruthless, hungry sipping
 Of panting life away.

O Silver-Wing that fieth
 High in a lamp's red glow!
 O Silver-Wing that dieth
 In writhing pain below!
 —M. DeL., '31.

Student: I want to change this text book.

Clerk: Why, you've had it a whole term.

Student: But I just found out that every other page is missing.

"I've always been religiously inclined," remarked the oyster.

"Here's your chance to enter the clergy," said the waiter as he served him to the minister.



Carmen Brown seems to be having a busy and an enjoyable time during her visit with Mary Virginia Cummins. Last week-end she visited Kay Bussman and on March 5 Mary Virginia was hostess at a birthday party for her. Among those attending the party were Kay Bussman, Marie Walsh, Virginia Drummond, Dorothea Shufford and Inga Block.

Webster has more visitors; the more the merrier! Mrs. J. D. Augustus and Martha Jeanne of Louisville spent the week-end here with Mary Elizabeth. Margaret Kimberger entertained Miss M. Kimberger and Miss Helen Bland of Kentucky. And even the Day-hops like to visit us aside from class hours, for Mary McCarthy spent the night with Alice Widmer and Laura Lee Ball is boarding now while her brother is ill.

Webster girls themselves are visitors. Frances McKay had dinner at the home of Mrs. C. A. Marchildon, Virginia's sister-in-law. Elizabeth Burtle was entertained by Dorothy Royal, and Helen Leuer by Virginia Caffery.

Janet Widmer celebrated her birthday with a six o'clock dinner party. Among the guests were several Websterites, Alice Widmer, Kathleen Hamel, Helen O'Brien, Dot Kraft and Marjorie Scheu.

We are all proud of the fact that Adelaide Murphey was the maid selected by the Mercier House to represent them at the St. Pat's celebration at Rolla School of Mines.

Helen O'Brien was also a guest at the celebration which was held on the 19th, 20th and 21st of March.

On St. Pat's night St. Louis University Conclave gave a formal

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

Easter! What delightful memories that word holds! When I was a tiny tot, it meant big, chocolate, Easter bunnies, gagly colored eggs and a small holiday bedecked basket, in which to gather them.

I often put my brain through quite elaborate acrobatic exercises trying to unpuzzle that queer query of, how that Easter rabbit was so clever in hiding the eggs? Sometimes a bit of sunshine would peer around the side of Grand-dads "comfy" arm chair, or a dash of red peacefully reposed against a dark back-ground of divan pillows. A squeal (yes it was too) of delight, then a wild, and I fear, unlady-like scramble to that half hidden bit of color. It was lucky for me and everything in general that those eggs were hard-boiled.

Now that I think of it, I can't imagine how I thought he got into the house—surely, not via chimney! Oh! My dainty pink and white bunny!

Being Easteristically inclined, such thoughts play tag with my imagination:

Hoover joining the kiddies in the Capitol Easter Egg Hunt... Yes, I think so, too!

Vague memories of an afternoon spent in "dyeing." Easter eggs, of course.

The strange sweet mystery of ex-

supper dance for the 1931 Prom maids at the Jefferson Hotel. Anne Ryan, our own representative, and Marie Wibracht, representing the C. and F. Day School, tell us that everyone enjoyed it very much. The Misses Mary and Loretta Day, Virginia Hennessey and Dorothy Royal were among the spectators.

Since tumbling has been taken up by the Juniors and Seniors in their Physical Education classes, there have been some strange noises in the rooms directly above 212 and 214. Thumps and bangs as well as groans and shrieks have been going on, but the plaster seems to be pretty strong. Investigations show that the occupants of those rooms have been so deeply impressed and lifted up by their new gymnastics that they have been practicing somersaults and zealously building pyramids.

Dorothy Kraft had the pleasure of a visit from her family a few weeks ago.

Mary Hickman entertained forty members of the D. A. R. with a reading of literary selections from "John Brown's Body," on the afternoon of March 16, at a tea in the Mezzanine ball room of the Park Plaza Hotel.

The Halls are anxiously awaiting news from Catherine Geary who was forced to return to her home in Highland Park at the end of the first semester. Drop us a line or two, Kay. We'd love to hear how you are. Here's hoping "fine."

ATTENTION!

The Sodality will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on April 6 for fifty little Negro children at St. Elizabeth's school on 27th and Pine streets.

This school is conducted by the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament Order.

About 150 eggs, dyed, will be needed for the hunt. Those who are interested in the project must see Audrey Klorer immediately.

Father Donovan in Ethics: Was St. Theresa a typical French girl or a cosmopolite?

Kay Bussman: "She was a Catholic."

treme joy of living on an Easter morning. What is this thing called peace?

The Big Parade of Holiday frills and lace. Um-Um-Um. Would you like to take a walk?

The "nightmare" of that vision of a purple hatted, red dressed, yellow scarfed, green shoed, sunny smiling Easter lady. Haven't you seen her?

Seven silly smiles for you and you and you—

As blue as a new boarder.
 As novel as roller skating in the refectory.

As dumb as a weather cock.
 As fishy as Minnie the Mermaid.
 As sour as your grapefruit.
 As annoying as splinters.
 As spooky as the "Jade God."

Now really, don't you think something ought to be done about—

These slumber disturbing eight o'clock classes?

The ambitious lady upstairs who delights in moving furniture early on Saturday?

The ten o'clock bell which interrupts a—game of bridge?

I hate to leave such pleasant company but duty calls and I must heed—

Toodle-do, "Laurie."

Sodality Notes

Final Examination Questions

"Chaplain Chimes" last week reminded us of the four final examination questions that the Divine Teacher will ask each of us, His pupils, when we close our eyes in death. These questions are: I was hungry, did you feed Me? I was thirsty, did you give Me to drink? I was naked, did you clothe Me? And, I was sick and imprisoned, did you visit Me? Our Sodality is now offering us some very fine courses in order to prepare us to some extent for that final examination. The Apostolic Committee is again sponsoring "Bundle Week." The need for clothing and food among the poor continues to be tremendous, and we know our obligation to give according to our means. In consequence, "Bundle Week" is the course which leads us to the correct solution of the first three questions. Remember! bringing food and old clothing for distribution among Christ's poor is the same as feeding and clothing Christ, Himself!

Another Committee of the Sodality is offering a second course. The committee is sponsoring an Easter party for the colored children of St. Elizabeth's parish. If you are anxious to have an affirmative answer ready for the last of the four questions, why not see Audrey Klorer, the chairman of the committee?

You can't afford to fail in that last examination. Register in the courses today, if you haven't done so already! And keep in mind that only active interest, unselfish personal activity and zealous perseverance will win you "A's" in these courses!

Dual Pleasure

On Friday evening, March , the Senior Boarders, namely, Alice Widmer, Helen O'Brien, Kathleen Hamel and Carrol Coleman, assisted by Margaret Ludden and Adelaide Murphy, sponsored the first of a series of Sodality parties. The proceeds of these social function are to be used to furnish an oratory of our Blessed Mother, on the second floor of the Loretto Hall.

The party was most simple and inexpensive, admission fifteen cents. The entertainment consisted of bridge, bunco, pig, double solitaire, etc., chosen according to the whims of the various groups. The winners of the various games received as their prizes a refund of the admission price. Lemonade and home popped pop-corn completed a delightful evening.

The pleasure of the party was intensified by our realization of the fact that we were making possible the furnishing of our oratory.

Sodality Fun

When we came to school Friday, March 13, a large red and black poster on the bulletin board announced a "free and funny show" as a special feature of our Sodality meeting for that day.

During the first part of the meeting, inspirational talks on "Holy Week," "Forty Hours," and "The Origin of the Name Loretto, and Devotion to the Seven Dolors," were given by Kathryn Bussman, Lakme Perez, and Rosemary Hynes, respectively. Then followed two vaudeville acts. The first, entitled, "Darling Oswald," written by Genevieve McBride, Helen Graves, and Josephine Reddin, was a comic monologue which depicted a girl writing—during Sodality meeting—a letter to her beloved. Mixed with her amorous phrases were bits of Sodality news which she unconsciously wrote into her letter. Jo Reddin presented the monologue

cleverly, even the frenzied climax over the incoherence of the mis-sive.—Moral: Don't write letters at Sodality meetings.

The second skit, "Before and After Taking," written by Bernice Wolff was acted by Thelma Pape and Alice Widmer. Alice played the part of the Webster girl who refuses to go to Sodality meetings. She was reluctantly won over at length by the energetic Thelma and became a firm supporter of the Sodality. The delighted humor of these skits enhanced the force of the lessons they indicated.

Thermometer and Barometer

Have you noted that the thermometer, which registers the number of our Masses and Holy Communion, is mounting higher? Each temperature rise means that the love of the Webster Sodalists for Christ is growing. Don't let the temperature remain the same! There can't be an excess in your love for Christ. Don't forget to put your pearls in the vase!

A toy barometer along side of our thermometer would be a good thing. We would like a barometer which would indicate the decline in "Floor Complex" and "Pillow Complex" among our Sodalists. Each rise in the thermometer would thus be accompanied by a fall in the barometer, because each rise means another battle won over slothfulness, another indirect killing of this deadly spiritual disease.

Good Company

How often have you been warned about your companions? Do you realize that as a Sodalist you belong to an organization which has included in its membership St. Stanislaus Kostka, St. Francis de Sales, St. Alphonsus Rodriguez, St. Aloysius, St. Madeleine Sophie Barat, The Little Flower, and many other saints of the Church? Can any one reprimand you for such company?

April 16

Keep the date open for the Sodality bridge which will be held on that day!

DRAMATIC NEWS

The schedule for the Dramatic Department has just been announced and is as follows:

April 2 and 3—Ann Janes will enter the verse reading contest in Chicago.

April 16, 17, 18—Chicago Little Theatre tournament in which Webster Dramatic Department will enter one play.

May 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9—Tournament in New York. Webster will enter a play in the preliminary tournament held in St. Louis.

May 15—One of Shakespeare's plays will be presented by members of Webster Dramatic Department.

The director of the Dramatic Department has cast members of the Freshmen and Senior groups in the following plays which will be presented in the school Little Theatre within the next eight weeks: "The Purple Dream," "Between Trains," and "Toy Heart."

Work, work, work, seems to be the cry of the Dramatic Department.

Students! Put your school on the map. Do these things: Cooperate, Work, Advertise.

CLUB CHAT

The Poetry Club has been interesting itself lately in types of poetry which are usually not much sought after. The last meeting was especially entertaining because of the discussion of Negro poetry. The next meeting is to feature poetry that emphasizes Greek mythology. "Endymion" by Keats has been selected to open the discussion.

Within the last two weeks the Poetry Club has added two new members to its number. They are Rosemary Gottlob and Ann Janes.

The Math club held its meeting Thursday afternoon, March 25 at 2:30 o'clock. Members enjoyed hearing the papers which were read by Bernice Wolff and Grace Strecker. Grace discussed "Some Locus Problem."

Sigma Phi Theta met in the chemistry lecture room on Friday, March 20. The meeting was short and consisted of a discussion of current topics and doings in Chemistry. The spectacular experiment performed by Elenor McGinty made the affair highly worthwhile. Plans were made for a trip to the Roxana Petroleum works at Alton, Illinois. The numerous Chemical operations used in the preparations of that company should prove interesting matter for investigation.

At the last meeting of the Classical Club, Alice Clarke gave a most entertaining selection from Euripedes; a play called "Aristides." She interspersed her resume of the drama with passages from the original.

The classicists were much amused when the hero Admetus became very angry with his parents at their unwillingness to die in his place, and when he allowed his "dearly beloved" wife to enter the realms of the shades in his stead. Alice presented her paper so charmingly that the members are hoping for the pleasure of hearing her again before the year is over.

The Choral Club showed itself to its best advantage, at least technically so, with the music recital given by the college students on last Thursday. The selections were well chosen with the Irish melodies making up the largest part of the program.

On Wednesday, March 4, the United Choral Clubs held their bi-weekly rehearsal at Fontbonne College. Due to the capable direction of Mr. Kalinowski, and to the willingness and cooperation on part of the students in matters of time and effort, considerable work is being accomplished at these meetings.

Monday evening, March 16 at 8 P. M. the Munny Club gave a recital at the college for the entertainment of the Sisters and students. Members of the choral club acted as hostesses to the guests. After the delightful choral work generously interspersed with vocal and instrumental solos and with dancing and comedy, the guests were taken to Loretto Hall where they were served with refreshments.

LORETTO PLAYERS TO JOURNEY TO CHICAGO

"When the Whirlwind Blows," by Essex Dane will be the play entered in the National Little Theatre Tournament to be held in Chicago, April 17, 18, and 19 by the Loretto Players Club of Webster College.

Miss Helen O'Brien, Miss Ann Janes, and Miss Alice Widmer are the members of the cast.

MISSION NEWS

The Nancy Havern Mission Unit held its regular monthly meeting on Friday, March 13, in Mission Hall. At this meeting Alice Clarke urged the girls to participate in the Essay Contest sponsored by the National C. S. M. C. This contest which is open to all Catholic students who belong to a Mission Unit is being held in connection with the Seventh National Convention of the C. S. M. C. The essays will be judged by the Crusade officials for thoroughness, originality and literary style. The winner of the contest will have his Convention fee paid by the National Headquarters of the Crusade; his name will be published in the official program of the Convention and also in a special Convention Bulletin; and thirdly, a Castle Trophy will be awarded to the Crusade Unit of which the winner is a member. This last reward is usually granted only for extraordinary service to the Crusade.

The Convention will be held at Niagara U., Niagara Falls, from June 27 to July 2. Webster plans on sending a representative delegation. Essays must be at the Crusade Castle, Cincinnati, not later than Holy Saturday, April 4. The winner will have the distinction of reading his essay as the key-note paper of the assembly. It is up to you to do your bit toward making it possible for the Webster representative to read this key-note paper by entering the contest.

Virginia Drummond gave a brief talk on "High Lights," a pageant to be given April 9 and 10 at the Odeon, by St. Elizabeth's Colored parish. After her inspiring talk on the worthiness of supporting this great cause, the girls were fired with a new zeal and enthusiasm.

On Wednesday, March 18, the students enjoyed a short program of dance selections rendered by some of the colored cast of "High Lights." Father Markoe brought these colored entertainers out so that the girls might know, in a small degree what to expect at the Odeon on April 9 and 10. Since these dancers portrayed their syncopated rhythm so splendidly, we are positive that Webster girls are convinced of the bright entertainment which they will certainly enjoy when they go to see "High Lights."

Medical Mission Day was observed at Webster on Wednesday, Mar. 18. The regular Mission Mass was celebrated that day and attended by the boarders in cap and gown. The day students in their parish churches offered their Masses and Communion for the Medical Missions.

A spiritual bouquet made up of prayers and good works offered on that day was sent to the Headquarters of the Medical Missions.

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Athletic News

When Webster and H. T. C. met in their first encounter at Idle Hour, the victory was decidedly in Webster's favor, the final score being 28-16. The second game at the Cleveland gym was less favorable, as far as Webster was concerned. When the game ended with the final score 12-11, Webster suffered its first and only defeat of the season.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

With the close of the basketball tournament the Juniors were widely acclaimed the victors. This class team has won every game they have played this season. The captain, Kay Bussmann, has ably managed and coached the team and spurred the members on to undaunted glory. Six of the eight members of this illustrious Junior team are first string men on the school team, and their captain is also the captain of the big team.

The Sophs and Freshies were apparent contenders in this basketball tournament. The Freshmen finished in second place, having won three games and lost three; the Sophs won two and lost four. The Seniors deserve full credit for their splendid tournament.

Maryville vs. Webster

Victory! Yes victory for Webster on March the eleventh at Maryville. Webster trounced Maryville by a score of 26-14. It was a good game but the first half of the game was slow and almost uninteresting due to the constant whistle blowing by the referee. The score at the end of the half was 6-4, in favor of Maryville. This indicates and almost proves what a slow game it really was. But after that ten minutes of rest at the half we saw Webster coming on to the floor looking like a new team, filled with that enthusiasm which they had on first entering the gym. The team then plunged headlong into victory.

There were some outstanding players in this game—the guards were at their best, holding the Maryville forwards to but 14 points. The forwards, Gen and Joe, were excellent after they got rid of the nervousness with which they started the game. And then Joe went out on fouls and we all stood aghast, but Jane Daly came to the rescue and took Joe's place splendidly. Jane and Gen played a great game together which meant nothing else but victory for Webster.

At last our goal has been reached, namely to defeat Maryville, in two consecutive games, this having been realized for the first time since Webster has had a school team.

**LEO C. MILLER
CHARMS AUDIENCE
WITH PROGRAM**

Professor Leo C. Miller presented a novel and delightful program in Webster College auditorium Thursday, February 26, in the form of a lecture recital.

Mr. Miller commented on the disregard of the younger generation for romantic composers and made his program conspicuous by the absence of ultra-modern music.

The opening of his program was "Ballade D Minor," by Brahms. This was a highly dramatic number and it was featured by compositions of Gluck-St. Saens, Schumann and Beethoven.

His second group, quite a contrast to the first, opened with Liszt's well

known "D Flat Etude" and "Sonetta del Petranca A Flat." Liszt's demands upon the technique of the performer is well illustrated in these two compositions, and they are said to be the finest expressions of his lyric style. "Etude Caprice A Minor, is Ganz in playful mood with modern colorful flashes. His last group began with Wagner's "Magic Fire" (Walkure), an exquisite example of the famous leit-motives of this great opera. The "Cello Etude" was treated with great depth and "Polonaise A Flat" by Chopin brought the program to a brilliant ending.

At the conclusion of his program Mr. Miller favored his audience with slides showing some of the famous castles built by the mad King Ludwig, and the scenes which are thought to have been the inspiration for the setting of the Valhalla of Wagner's opera. The slide of the famous festival theater at Bayreuth with its hidden orchestra pit was particularly interesting.

Mr. Miller's program was enthusiastically received by his appreciative audience.

This was Professor Miller's first recital at Webster, but not his initial appearance. He gave a series of lectures on "Phases of Modern Music" to the summer school students two years ago, and he is also well known as the instructor of Mr. Willard McGregor, a widely known artist who has given many recitals at the college.

Heard in Psychology class:

Prof.: "The brain is a button on the end of one's nerves to keep them from fraying out."

**FATHER O'BOYLE SPEAKS ON
ANNULMENTS OF MARRIAGES
AT FIFTH OPEN FORUM**
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astical Law. The marriage of father and daughter, of mother and son, would be subject to a declaration of nullity on a Natural Law Impediment; Consanguinity, the marriage of brother and sister, of first and second cousins, would constitute a breach of Divine Positive Law and hence would be worthy to be named invalid; marriage contracted between a Catholic and a non-Catholic, and the ceremony being performed by a minister, not a Catholic Priest, becomes in the eyes of the Church, null and void under the Impediment of Ecclesiastical Law.

Since the primary end of marriage is procreation, the propagation of the race, impotency on the part of one of the contracting parties to the marriage bond, becomes an impediment, on which basis nullity of the marriage may be pronounced. A person becoming party to a marriage through fear or threats, does so without free consent of the will. A claim of this sort, credibly proven, merits a declaration of nullity.

Not so long as the case of Miss Vanderbilt against the Duke of Marlborough, favored by the Pope, gave rise to much adverse criticism. After twenty-five years of wedded impediments; in class there are three: Impediments by Natural Law, Impediments by Divine Positive Law, and Impediments by Ecclesiastical Law with the Duke, Miss Vanderbilt, on a declaration of nullity regarding her first marriage, married another man. Apparently she was a divorced woman. Upon investigation, and upon evidence against herself, and on the part of Miss Vanderbilt's mother, it was revealed that Mrs. Vanderbilt had invited the Duke to the States, with the promise held forth, that he would be the Vanderbilt son-in-law. Miss Vanderbilt, in love with another man, protested against this arrangement. To insure her acquiescence to the scheme, Mrs. Vanderbilt threatened her daughter's sweetheart with murder, should she persist in her refusal to marry the Duke. Thus there came about a marriage, entered into by one

party through fear alone. Hence the nullity, declared in all right and justice, by the Church.

Defines Marriage

Marriage, Father defined, is a contract between a man and a woman, by virtue of which they give to each other the rights of each other's bodies, with an eye to the propagation of the race. And in the eyes of Church, on the authority of Christ, Marriage is indissoluble except by death. For the difficulties that arise within the marriage bond, there are in every city, Matrimonial courts under the auspices of the Church, to which individuals submit their cases for investigation, if there be need for any. Anticipating a question, Father said that the reason why laymen are so prone to accuse the Church of favoring the rich, is the publicity afforded the rich for all their activities and movements.

Floor Discussion

Here began the open forum; the discussion from the floor. One asked to be informed of the status of children, born during a wedded life that was thought to be valid by both contracting parties, that later was declared null and void. In answer, Father stated that although objectively the children would be illegitimate, they would, by virtue of the ignorance of their parents regarding the invalidity of the marriage, be legitimate.

If a married couple receive annulment of their marriage, one of the persons being Catholic, is that person free to marry again, within the jurisdiction of the Church? A priest, Father said, dare not perform a marriage ceremony on the nullity of the civil court. The civil courts and the Church matrimonial courts often do not agree on grounds for annulment, since the State does not take into consideration the authority upon which the Church acts.

Regarding annulment, has the Church jurisdiction over baptized non-Catholics? Only in the case where one of the contracting parties is a Catholic. If a man and a woman marry, and after the consummation of the marriage agree to have no children, are there sufficient grounds for application for annulment in later years, children being the primary end of marriage? No, there exist in such an instance, no nullifying impediments, since at the contracting of the marriage, no such condition was made. Any agreement arrived at after the consummation of the marriage, can act as no impediment in a suit for annulment.

Pre-Nuptial Agreements

Suppose a man express his desire to marry a certain girl, provided she agrees to a wedded life without children. They are married with this understanding. Are there grounds here in the eyes of the Church, for annulment? This question was a fitting opportunity for Father to lay stress on the manner in which the "yea" or "nay" of annulments is decided upon. In the above case, the understanding would in all probability be reached quietly, without witnesses. The Church cannot and does not accept only the word or words of the interested parties, and thereon base Her decisions. She requires actual evidence and witnesses.

Questions, assertions, stands and demands for analysis and clarifications were so numerous and so evidently from the rank and file of the young and serious, that an impersonal spectator would suspect the forum audience to be swarming with youth, hopelessly entangled in matrimonial difficulties, and hot on the trail of the whys and wherefores of annulment, for their own personal solutions. Actually, they were supplying the proof to the assertion that a vital topic, vitally presented, cannot fail of vital response and interest.

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MAY DAY QUEEN AND EIGHT MAIDS ELECTED

**Dorothea Shuford to Be
Queen—Date Set for
May 3**

On Wednesday, April 8, at a meeting of the Student Association, Dorothea Shuford was elected May Queen. The members of the Association also elected eight maids; three girls from the Senior class, two from the Junior class, two from the Sophomore class and one from the Freshman class. The maids for this year are Helen O'Brien, Kathleen Hamel, Ann Ryan, Mary Hickman, Ellen Prendergast, Audrey Klorer, Jane Daly and Mary Elizabeth Griffin.

The retiring Queen is Adelaide Murphy. She will crown the new Queen on May 23—May Day. As in former years, flower girls, the maids and the retiring queens will precede the May Queen to the throne.

May Queens of former years have been invited to be maids to the new Queen. Misses Theresa Shea, Juanita Able, Gertrude Jolley and Margaret Vollet have accepted. The Queen and her court will be entertained by a May-pole dance and music.

Dorothea Shuford is the president of the Junior class and a member of the Student Council. She has been active in all school activities during her three years at Webster. She is a lovely brunette possessed of grace and charm, which, together with her ability and sincerity, have endeared her to Webster girls.

Webster Becomes Member of Liberal Arts Movement

Webster College has become a member of the Liberal Arts College Movement according to an announcement made this week by Mother Linus, president of the College. The membership in this association is expected to be of considerable benefit to the college in so far as the organization keeps its members informed about the latest events in Collegiate Movements.

One feature of the organization is the news sheet, sent to member colleges, which contains brief news stories gathered from the various colleges in the country.

Spring Dance Plans Announced

According to an announcement made by Sister Edwarda, Dean of Women, the annual Spring Dance which has for a number of years been a regular feature of Webster's social calendar, will, this year, be given under slightly different circumstances.

The present plans call for two separate affairs. The Seniors and Juniors will be hostesses at one dance and the Freshmen and Sophomores at the other. Both events will be given at Loretto Hall some time in May.

LAKME PEREZ IS ELECTED EDITOR OF LAURETANUM

Lakme Perez was elected editor-in-chief of the 1932 Lauretanum at a business meeting of the Sophomore class on March 25. Jane Daly and Elvira Krings were chosen as business manager and advertising manager respectively.

These girls have attended college at Webster during their freshman and sophomore years, and have been active in school affairs. Lakme Perez is very talented in oratory and has appeared in several debates at the college. She is also an active member of the Choral Club.

The nominations were strictly political, even to the point of campaign speeches made for the candidates by members of the class. After the nomination, each candidate was asked to cast her vote and leave the room. During this period the discussion and "campaigning" took place. Then the other votes were cast, and the candidates returned to the room while the votes were counted.

With the co-operation of the Sophomore class these girls hope to make the 1932 year book as splendid as possible.

Sodalists Elect Our Lady's Court For May Day

May Day, Our Lady's Day, is close upon us. Each year one day has been selected from the month of the Virgin, for her particular honor. On this day, with the simplicity which the Mother inspires in her children, Webster students in a body, offer white roses at the Virgin's Shrine.

There must be a queen, however, to crown Our Lady; there must be ladies-in-waiting to attend the queen. According to the custom of previous years the Sodality on April 10th, convened for the purpose of electing a queen and maids. At the opening of the meeting, when "nominations are in order," Dorothea Shuford took the floor and suggested that a motion be made to the effect that, for this year and for all ensuing years, the Prefect of the Webster College Sodality, by virtue of her position as Our Lady's vanguard leader, be ex-officio, May Day Queen; the members of the Student Spiritual Council, as aide-de-camps to our Prefect, be ex-officio, May Day Maids. Such a motion was put in order, seconded and unanimously carried.

The Webster College Sodality unanimously agreed that those who are individually chosen to work for Our Lady, should individually be chosen to honor Our Lady. Therefore, Bernice Wolf, the Prefect of the Sodality will crown the Blessed Virgin. Members of the S. S. C. who will act as Maids are: Margaret Ludden, Virginia Drummond, Justina Hayes, Kathleen Hamel, Jane Burke, Margaret McCord, Mary Virginia Cummins, Marie Wibracht and Alice Widmer.

"COMEDY OF EVOLUTION" SUBJECT OF NOTED LECTURER'S ADDRESS

**Successful Season of Discussions Is Brought to a Close
Before Large Audience—Dr. W. W. Graves
Acts As Chairman**

The series of forums under the auspices of the Loretto Foundation of Webster College was brought to a successful close with a capacity audience on Sunday evening, April 19, when Dr. James J. Walsh spoke on "The Comedy of Evolution." Dr. Walsh was introduced to his audience by the chairman, Dr. W. W. Graves, who is professor of Neurology and Psychiatry at St. Louis University School of Medicine, and director of the department.

The subject under discussion, "The Comedy of Evolution," was particularly attractive in the appeal it must necessarily make to all persons.

In opening his talk, Dr. Walsh stated that he believed somewhat in evolution, but "belief," he said, "is quite another thing from accepting evolution." It is, of course, a serious subject and should be taken as such. However, to any question, no matter how grave, one has the right to apply the test of humor, and this Dr. Walsh did by choosing an example from Dante's "Inferno." In the "Inferno," Vergil tells us that the people who are gnashing their teeth and bewailing their fate are the class who never did any evil, but who never thought of doing any good. Many people think they will get to heaven if they avoid evil, but they soon find themselves weeping over lost opportunities. Vergil said further that they were just like the angels who took no side in the battle between the good and bad angels. They could go nowhere because the devil said his angels would laugh at them if they came to Hell and he could have no laughing in Hell. The comic side of evolution was portrayed in a London paper cartoon which depicted the entire human race as dead. The monkey in a contemplative attitude surveyed the scene and then gravely remarked, "Now, we've got to begin this thing all over again."

Dr. Walsh in discussing the extremely important and extremely scientific book of Darwin's, "The Origin of Species," said it had nothing whatever to do with origin. Darwin wanted to call it "The Preservation of Favored Races in the Struggle of Life."

In this book Darwin supposes a number of things already in existence, but all of them differing in their relation to each other. He does not consider origin at all.

Speaking of the complexity of life, Dr. Walsh referred to Edmund Wilson's book on the cell. The cell which measures about one two-thousandths of an inch contains the whole principle of life. Every five years he has rewritten his book, each time discussing at greater length some phase of the cell, and



DR. JAMES J. WALSH

now in his latest issue he confesses that he knows less about the cell than ever before.

Dr. Walsh's treatment of acquired characteristics aroused considerable discussion. He proved conclusively that acquired traits are not transmitted to man's progeny.

Dr. Walsh touched upon the theory of Spencer that the history of the individual repeats the history of the race. He said that Spencer's theory is no longer held by reliable scientists. Twenty-five years ago it was a popular belief among those seeking to prove evolution, but today one seldom hears of it, he said.

"When you take up the instincts of the animals and insects," said Dr. Walsh, "it is surprising to find how hard it is to explain them by the theory of evolution." Dr. Walsh then showed how all modern inventions were anticipated by insects. The bee foresaw the action of the government to use formaldehyde to preserve food; the wasps made nests of water-proof paper from time immemorial, whereas man has only been using this preparation for the last century; moths signal to each other thru the ether—a primitive form of radio.

After a few concluding remarks on the development and progress of this century, Dr. Walsh gave the discussion over to the house.

Dr. Walsh is a distinguished leader in education, a medical man primarily and a psychologist secondarily. He was for many years professor of history of medicine at Fordham University. He is the author of many well-known books among which are, "The World's Debt to the Irish," "Makers of Modern Medicine," "Health Through Will Power," "Religion and Health," "Success in a New Era" and "The Thirteenth the Greatest

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SENIOR TO BE PRESENTED IN PIANO RECITAL

**Kathleen Hamel Will Receive
Music Diploma**

The Loretto Conservatory of Music will present Kathleen Hamel in a piano recital as partial requirement for a Conservatory Diploma, on Wednesday evening, April 22 at 8 o'clock, in the College Auditorium. Kathleen is majoring in mathematics and minoring in Latin, and will be graduated in June with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. She has taken a prominent part in athletics and has served as treasurer and secretary of the W. A. A. She has also held office in both the Classical and Mathematics Clubs.

Her program is as follows:
Prelude in E Minor.....Bach
Sonata Op. 14, No. 2.....Beethoven
Andante
Scherzo
Military Polonaise.....Chopin
Humming Bird.....Mayo
Romance.....La Forge
Woodland Sketches.....MacDowell
In Autumn
To A Water Lily
Will-O'-the Wisp
Gracovienne Fantastique.....
.....Paderewski

LAURETANUM BRIDGE GIVEN BY JUNIOR CLASS

**Sophs and Freshies to Sponsor
Benefit Function Soon**

At this time of the school year every class is especially busy. Preparations for entertaining the seniors are under way, the juniors are to be the hostesses at the High School tea, and among these and the many other activities the Year Book quotas must be in.

Saturday, April 11, the juniors gave a bridge party in Social Hall to raise their quota. The tickets were fifty cents, and cake and coffee were sold.

The Junior Class takes this opportunity to thank everyone for the splendid co-operation given them in making their party a success.

The sophomores are planning a bridge party to be given at Scruggs-Vandervorts to help defray the Year Book expenses. Every one is especially requested to make an effort to attend. May 2 is the tentative date set for this party; the tickets will be seventy-five cents. Your presence will prove your school spirit.

A beautiful box of stationery is being raffled by the freshmen class to secure money for the Lauretanum. These chances are ten cents.

The faculty and students of Webster extend their sincere sympathy to Miss Fuehling in the deaths of her grandmother and uncle.

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IN INVITATION TO REAL LEADERS

The Summer School of Catholic Action is for them
 This summer we want the real leaders in the Sodality or the Students' Spiritual Council. Quantity is unimportant. But quality? That's what we are looking for.

In every school there are the natural leaders. Again and again we find they are the ones who are making a success of the Spiritual Leadership program. They are setting the example and directing the religious enthusiasm of the schools.

But in many cases, while they are splendidly willing and eager they feel themselves handicapped for lack of definite knowledge and of clear methods of organization. They want to lead; they are not sure they know how.

Perhaps fifty, perhaps a hundred (we don't know yet how many) of the finest young men and women in America, the cream of our colleges and high schools, meeting and working together for two full weeks. St. Louis University School of Sociology enrolls them as regular students. Pontbonne and Webster Colleges welcome them to their beautiful grounds and buildings. Faculty members from schools throughout the country will be there, the group of priests and brothers and sisters who are interested in youth and its ideals and problems.

And then in the companionship of this group of real leaders and under the direction of members of the staff of *The Queen's Work*, the university and the colleges, informal classes, practical laboratory practice, informal discussions, and round tables will give them the training they feel they badly need.

At the end of the course, qualified students will be ready for three college hours credit in Applied Sociology or Religion from the School of Sociology.

We want the real leaders, the pioneers in our Catholic Youth Movement who are keen to know a little more clearly how to use their Catholic training, develop their own love of Christ and Mary, and become more effective leaders. They are the ones we want, and we believe that as many as can come will be there.

The time is the last two weeks of August. Your expenses including everything essential will be only \$48.75. This includes tuition, literature, room and board.

Perhaps someone from your school, perhaps the maximum number allowed from your school, three students, will be there. Be assured of a hearty welcome. Talk it over with your Sodality or your Students' Office.

And whether you can come or not, or whether you can be represented or not, please say a little prayer for the success of the Sodality's most important enterprise.

ROMANCE?

Join the Choral and meet "Romance," was the exhortation of Father Forrey at the first meeting of the Corporate College Choral Club, but so far all we've had is hard practice. Of course Dan Cupid saw to it that some of his favorites had a head start on the road to romance. But what are the rest of us to do until we get on the good side of the love god? Read Dorothy Dix on "How to be popular?" Or maybe the popular ones who are enjoying their good fortune will ask Dan to pluck a few more of the "wall-flowers" for his bouquet on the altar of romance.

BUSY DAYS

May is probably the busiest month on the school calendar and among the important activities of these rushy days are the elections of college organization officers. In the next week or two, you will have to choose a president of the Student Association and a Prefect of the Sodality as well as many other important officers. Upon your choice of these executives will depend a large part of the success of your activities next year. That is the fact that you must realize when you are going through the rather tiresome process of elections. Remember you are choosing your leaders for next year!

To insure the success of these elections, there are three things we would ask you to do. First of all, come to every meeting at which an election will take place. The casting and sometimes re-casting of ballots does become a bit tiresome, it is true, but that after all, is only incidental to a most important task, and a task in which every one should take a vital interest.

Secondly, we would ask you to consider ahead of time the probable nominees for these offices. Consider the office, its general requirements, its particular requirements; then decide upon the girl whom you think would best meet those requirements. Think about elections, and discuss them! Don't go to meetings unprepared and vote for some girl just because she is good looking or because your friend voted for her.

Thirdly, know that successful officers must have ability for leadership, initiative, resourcefulness, special ability for their particular office, and perhaps most important of all—a high sense of responsibility. You have been for these many months in contact with all the "eligibles," and should be able to discern those among them who best fulfill the requirements mentioned.

These three things we ask you to do, and if every Webster girl considers the elections thoroughly and personally before hand, and goes to every meeting able to vote intelligently, we can rest assured that every office will be filled by a girl, admirably able to handle the work, and well suited to the task of furthering Webster activities—we shall have real student leaders for next year.

LIBRARY NOTES

A "Library Week" has been and gone. We urged this for your benefit primarily, that for our facility and your benefit ultimately. Trying to be non-committal, we interspersed our ordinary weather conversation with "Do you happen to have volume X by So-and-So?" But you were wary, suspicious from the first. There remained no method more tactful than to have our Euclids put before you the loss, materially and intrinsically, that the school and the student suffer from a dwindling library stock.

One night we besieged the boarders. We made polite calls. We recited five minutes worth of apologetic footnotes. We then proceeded to abuse the right of privacy. "Books alive or dead!" and there shone forth from our eyes that unholy gleam that the cry of "blood" is so apt to evince. Hours and days, and we emerged triumphant with a Hayes History, these many moons a resident of the mop closet. A boarder is at a disadvantage here. Whatever her natural tendencies, she finds it a task requiring considerable ingenuity, to lose anything very far.

But behold the dayhops, and the scene shifts to present a vastly different situation. All together now, concentrate! How many of the rooms of your home do you weary with your frequent presence? How many bookcases per room? Do you own a nanny goat? What are the leanings of your baby brother? Your baby sister? Generally, how does your family regard your mind and its retentive faculties?

The cause involved demands that we be stern, but we are not unfeeling. We would have you know that we understand your abstractedness as a natural outcome of the student's life. Your spirit wanders in elysian fields; a member of your body picks up a book, ruffles the pages casually, then stops short. Your mind is the proud surprised possession of an idea, and this sudden acquisition gives rise to such elation, that your hand, working automatically, adds the victimized book to your battered collection of dog-eared texts. Then the bell rings for your next class, and for the library there is weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. We know, we have done it ourselves; we too, when questioned, have denied with heated anger the possession of such and such a volume, checked out at such and such a time. And we too have come trundling up to the second floor of the administration building rather shame-faced about the whole business.

We have erred; we have known compunction; we have made restitution; we have suffered extreme embarrassment. In short, we have established for your aid in our drive to give back to the empty library shelves, their heritage; to justify the privilege that permits us the use of books and material.

Calendar of Coming Events

- April 27.—Recital by Helen O'Brien.
- April 28, 29, 30.—Lectures by Mrs. Crosse.
- May 5.—Spring Day.
- May 6, 11:30.—Election of President of Student Council.
- May 7.—High School Tea.
- May 13.—Student Association Elections.
- May 18, 8:15.—Closing of Conservatory.

Success Expert: "What is your name?"
 Greek Client: "Gus Pappapopoulos."
 Success Expert: "Get a job selling motorcycles."



Webster was well represented at the St. Louis U. Prom for not only were two of the maids Webster girls, but many others attended. Among our girls there were Mary and Loretta Day, Margaret Kimberger, Carrol Coleman Adelaide Murphy, Jane Fisher, Mary Elizabeth Griffin, Thea Christofferson, Mary Brown, Ellen Prendergast, Catherine McKenna, Dorothy Royal, Rosemary Lane, Grace Strecker, May Hillemeier, Rosemary Gottlob, Thelma Pape, Mary Rose Burke, Margaret Crane and Laura Lee Ball.

The Easter holidays afforded a splendid opportunity for visiting and many of the Websterites took advantage of it. Kathleen Hamel and Alice Widmer drove to Little Rock, Arkansas, with Helen O'Brien for the week. Thelma Pape visited Laura Bayne Habick in Louisville, and Adelaide Murphy visited Betty Sharp in Kansas City. Marie Schmucker also spent a few days in Kansas City as the guest of Micky Wise, and Florine Blevins visited Catherine Kidwell, in Kansas City. Genevieve McBride spent part of the holidays with her aunt Mrs. Thomas of St. Louis.

Josephine Reddin and Helen Graves had luncheon at the Coronado with Emma Dunn of Denver who is attending St. Mary's of the Woods.

Virginia Drummond and Marie Walsh entertained Mamie Purcell last week end and Dorothea Schurford had as her guest Pauline Etienne.

Helen McGirl visited her brother in Columbia, Mo., for a few days during the Easter vacation.

The Park Plaza was the scene of a delightful dance given by Helen Wise and her sister on April 11th. Among the Webster girls who were there were Adelaide Murphy, Kath-

Alumnae News

The engagement of Mary Powers to William Allen Baker of St. Louis was announced last week. Mary was a member of the class of '28. We wish you all happiness, Mary.

Pearl Farrell of Ponca City, Oklahoma, was married to Mr. Edward Keefe on April 6. Here is just another proof that the class of '28 is falling fast.

Lucille Rapillard was seen at the St. Louis U. Prom, also at the Engineer's Ball at Rolla, Mo., and, of course, at Webster. We're still wondering just what the chief attraction is in St. Louis for "Rap." Or are we?

We hear that Gert Jolley was present at the Engineers' Ball at Rolla, as well as the Military Ball which was held some weeks earlier. You've always had a weakness for Rolla, haven't you Gert?

The last time some one around here heard from Marta Brown, she was in Vancouver, or was it Florida? But then one can't expect to keep track of one whose work takes her just every place.

Pearl Broderick visited Webster a short time ago.

Blanche Marshall attended the closing of the Forty Hours Devotion on the Feast of the Seven Dolors. Seeing people such as these around Webster makes some of the older girls think of carnivals, meetings, initiations and just scores of events that are now "good old days when."

Some of the Alumnae members who were seen at the St. Louis U. Prom are, Gert Jolley, Margaret Mary Brey, Catherine Cody, Ellen Quirk and Jo Thompson.

leen Hamel, Rosemary Hynes, Anne Ryan, Thelma Pape, Joe Reddin, Micky Wise, Louise Cowley and also some of our Alumnae.

Carrol Coleman and Loretta Day were seen enjoying the dance of the Law Fraternity, Delta Theta Phi, given at Osage Country Club, on the 17th.

Rosemary Hynes attended the annual Medical Prom on the 15th.

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

Wistful Wilhelmina wonders why in wonderful weather:

Jumping ropes and roller skates vie for first place, with many lively youngsters.

You and I and other people get such a thrill picking violets in a tiny graveyard in the rain.

Spring fever and day dreams are two extremely common maladies in the class room and out of it. (Emphasis on the prep. clause, "in.")

Malapropist inclined people are wound up tight and there's no stopping them until they have had their say, with a few statements other people have said thrown in for good measure.

Tantalizing blossoms nod at the window and beckon you to come out—

Everybody's happy! Tra-la-la. Why, Wilhelmina? Well it's Spring! I say, my dear, just what definition would you give for the word "jazz"? Here's Carl Sandburg's poems called "Jazz Fantasia!"

Drum on your drum, batter on your banjos, sob on the long cool winding saxophones. Go to it, O jazzman.

Sling your knuckles on the bottoms of the happy tin pans, let your trombones ooze, and go "husha-husha-hush" with the slippery sandpaper.

Moan like an autumn wind high in the lonesome tree tops; moan soft like you wanted somebody terrible; cry like a racing car slipping away from a motorcycle cop, bang bang! You jazz men, bang altogether drums, traps, banjos, horns, tin cans—make two people fight on the top of a stairway and scratch each other's eyes in a clinch tumbling down the stairs.

Can the rough stuff—Now a Mississippi steamboat pushes up the night river with a hoo-hoo-hoo-oo—and the green lanterns calling to the high soft stars—a red moon rides on the humps of the low river hills—Go to it, O jazzmen.

Sights while strolling: gorgeous magnolia trees; more robins and hammering "red heads"; a cocky china-like dog on the leash—thought seriously of adding him to my collection. Met two former classmates on parade. Perceived in a brightly lighted house a tiny Xmas wreath hanging in a conspicuous place—pain-in-the-neck people, those! A white world—white cherry blossoms, white lilacs, white dogs, a white rabbit, white clouds—everybody's happy!!! It's spring, it's spring!

Yours for happiness,
 "Laurie."

Sodality Notes

IN WEBSTER'S HISTORY

Friday, May 1st, will go down in the history of Webster College as the day on which the Oratory, in honor of Our Blessed Mother, was solemnly opened. At 11:30 the Sodalists will assemble in the chapel for the monthly prayer meeting, after which they are requested to go in solemn procession to the Oratory, Room 233, Loretto Hall. The officers of the Sodality will formally open the room, and each Sodalist will be given the opportunity to take her first peek into Our Lady's Room.

The Oratory is to be only partially furnished this year. Each succeeding year, the Sodality will leave something to the room until its furnishings will have been completed. The Oratory is to be cared for by the Sodalists.

FLOWERS

If you have any flowers in your yard at home, put your name on Justine Hayes' "flower list" and bring some blossoms for Our Lady's Oratory. They will be a kind of "continual prayer" for you while they are adorning Our Blessed Mother's Shrine.

PRAYER WEEK

This week the Sodality is sponsoring Prayer Week, a time in which we are to realize the efficacy of prayer and to renew our Retreat Promises in this regard. The Bulletin Board is covered with posters bearing prayers that we learned long ago, but which, sorry to say, we have long since forgotten. It might behoove us to learn these prayers again.

A BROKEN THERMOMETER

Our drive for Masses and Holy Communions during Lent was most successful. We not only reached our goal of three thousand Masses and Communions, but surpassed it by four hundred and fifty. We were extremely happy to see the thermometer, that recorded our progress, reach the top and boil over. We didn't mind seeing that thermometer rise above normal.

MAY

May, the most beautiful month of

the year, is fittingly dedicated to the Blessed Mother of God and should, therefore, be a time of very especial Sodality work. Hence, besides the daily May Devotions in the chapel, the Oratory will be formally opened on May 1, and the year's activities will culminate in the crowning of the Blessed Virgin as Our Queen, on Thursday afternoon, May 21. At the meeting on Friday morning, special plans and suggestions for these May devotions will be given to the Sodalists. Let's have 100 per cent attendance at the meeting!

HONORED

Did you know that our Sodality received a letter from the College of St. Elizabeth in New Jersey asking us about our Sodality? They referred to it as an "active Sodality."

WE STUDY

The Sodality has organized a Study Club. We have the privilege of having as the moderator of our Study Club, Father L. J. Fallon, C. M. of Kenrick Seminary. The first meeting was held on Tuesday afternoon, March 24th. The church's position on "Devotion to the Saints" was presented by Genevieve McBride and Kathryn Bussman. Dorothea Shuford and Virginia Drummond questioned and harried these defenders of the faith. At the second meeting, Tuesday afternoon, April 14th, Bernice Wolff opened the discussion on "The Bad Popes," while Alice Clarke acted as the "devil's advocate." At both meetings a spirited discussion took place. The Sodalists feel that they derive much profit from such discussion.

THINK AND PRAY

The Sodality elections will be held May 8th. Do you realize that upon your choice of officers depends to some large degree the success of your Sodality next year? The success of the Sodality does not end with the school year, or with this life. What is really accomplished for the benefit of souls is written into the record books of Heavens-records. Yes, it is rather a serious problem. Think about it and pray that we may choose wisely.

DRAMATIC STUDENT

REPRESENTS COLLEGE IN POETRY CONTEST

Ann Russel Janes, a Sophomore and a special dramatic student was presented by Mrs. Anna McClain in the National Poetry Speaking Contest the First Annual Series of the National Poetry Speaking Contest which was held at Northwestern University, Evanston, Camp us, Thursday and Friday, April 2 and 3. Miss Janes has been outstanding in her dramatic work at Webster and has figured prominently in all recent plays in Webster's Little Theatre.

Northwestern University is sponsoring these contests with a desire to cultivate an understanding of the power of spoken verse, to quicken sensitiveness to beauty, and to encourage a love of good poetry.

from Loretto Academy on Lafayette avenue in St. Louis. Other religious orders throughout the country were also represented.

He: "Are you fond of moving pictures, Jennie?"
She (hopefully): "Aye, Sandy."
He: "Then, maybe, lass, ye'll help me get a half a dozen out o' the attic."

MISSION NEWS

The thrilling story of Father Laffin's and Father Linehan's seven months captivity in China, brimming with interest and containing all the elements of a swiftly moving novel, is published in the February issue of "Far East," together with sketches of varied events, uncertainties, and observations of the Irish missionaries as they chafed at the incarceration that was theirs for more than half a year.

The Reds stated that their chief reason in capturing the priests was the fact that they thought the religious could help them in obtaining guns. It is disclosed throughout the story that the Reds were firmly convinced that the priests could help them in securing firearms despite protestations to the contrary.

On April 26 the captives were moved to a small town down the river. "To this town, the story continues, "two plucky Chinese Catholics from the Sientaochen parish, who had followed the Red forces to get news of the priests. Bishop Galvin, having conducted the Sisters to safety, was waiting anxiously for the information that these scouts were to obtain. The pair loyally wanted to stay with the Fathers, but they insisted on their returning."

Having made several unsuccessful attempts to escape, the priests nevertheless persevered and kept their faith in God. One escape almost proved fruitful. They succeeded in abandoning their place of captivity and traveled safely until four-thirty in the morning. "At that hour," the account tells us, "they saw what appeared to be a body of the government forces with an officer leading. They walked up to them only to meet with bitter disappointment. The soldiers were Reds. One of the soldiers recognized them, and sent them back to headquarters where they were severely beaten.

"But on December 1, they were, at length, out of danger, as they clasped the hands of Bishop Galvin and Father Quinlan, who for seven months had been working unwearingly to secure their release. The Bishop and his Vicar-General, who had traveled up from Hanyang to meet them, had come equipped with the things that the men just freed from captivity would be likely to need. New clothes for their tattered old ones made a transformation and Father Laffin was the first to use a razor.



Athletic News

Spring with its many extra-circular activities has in no way daunted the enthusiastic athletes of Webster. The baseball tournament is well under way. In the first game of the season the sophs with Hortense Hogan as captain, beat the juniors, 22-14. The juniors optimistically recall last year's tournament in which they were victorious after a poor beginning, and are consoled in the thought that well begun is half done.

In the second game of the tournament the seniors defeated the freshmen. Kay Bussmann, who with Ann Ryan is joint captain of the junior team, is manager of this freshman team. Alice Widmer is captain of the senior team.

Everyone is more or less surprised to see the juniors' record falling repeatedly. This class of athletes has been outstanding for its complete

DEBATE GIVEN ON MISSIONS BY STUDENTS

The Nancy Havern Mission Unit of Webster sponsored a debate Wednesday morning, April 15, in the college auditorium. The question read: "Resolved, that the work of bringing back the so-called Orthodox churches of the East deserves as much attention from Catholic America as the work of bringing pagans into the church." The affirmative side was upheld by Marge Delmore and Lakme Perez, the negative by Eleanor Carroll and Frances Bittner. Both sides did creditable work. Due to a misunderstanding of the question, which was rectified only shortly before the debate, the affirmative side was handicapped. This team is to be commended on its splendid sportsmanship. The constructive speeches were limited to seven minutes; two minutes were given for consultation; and three minutes for rebuttal.

The necessity of unity and the benefits connected with the work of bringing back the Orthodox churches were the subjects developed by the affirmative side. They argued that unity was one of the essential qualities of the church. Hence the return of the Orthodox church would not only cement the unity but would lend strength and momentum to the movement of converting the pagans. It cannot be denied that the work of bringing back the Orthodox church would be more beneficial since the conversion of a few of their leaders would have greater effect on the body of schismatics than the conversion of an individual pagan would have on his side.

From the mere statement of the question it was evident that the negative side had the advantage. They argued that the need of conversion is greater for the pagan, because in order to be saved one must have faith, and believe in the Trinity and Incarnation. They said that the pagans have no knowledge of these subjects, and the Orthodox Christians know them on good authority. They also brought out the point that the pagans are numerically in the majority.

The decision was unanimous in favor of the negative side. Father Fallon, C. M., Sister Edwarda, dean of women, and Miss Prevost, instructor of French, were the judges. Mary Virginia Cummins, who is president of the Missions, was chairman.

Oratory Fund Is Aided by Benefit Bridge Party

One of the ambitions of the Students Spiritual Council this year has been to open the little Oratory of Our Lady on the second floor of Loretto Hall.

To raise funds for the necessary furnishings, a bridge sponsored by the Sodality was held in Social Hall on Thursday afternoon, April 16, at 2:30 o'clock. After three games of bridge had been enjoyed, cake and lemonade were served.

The Students Spiritual Council is grateful to those who aided in making this event a success by selling tickets and by bringing prizes and cakes. Virginia Drummond was chairman of the affair.

victories in every other tournament of this year, but it seems that baseball is their Waterloo. On Thursday afternoon, April 16, they suffered their second defeat when the freshmen trounced them, 41-20.

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"Value of Calculus" Topic of Discussion at Math Meeting

The Mathematics Club of Webster College met on Thursday, March 26 at 2:30. Miss Bernice Wolff presented an interesting paper on "The practical value of the calculus." On account of the length of the paper and the interesting questions rising from its discussion, it was impossible for Miss Grace Strecker to present her paper, "Some Locus Problems." The next meeting will be placed in the hands of the sophomores. The titles of their papers have not been announced.

PRESIDENT AND DEAN REPRESENT WEBSTER AT EDUCATIONAL MEETING

Mother Mary Linus, the President of Webster College, and Sister Mary Borgia, dean of studies, attended the meeting of the North Central Association held at Stevens Hotel in Chicago which opened on Wednesday, March 18, and continued to March 20.

Besides Mother Linus and Sister Borgia there were Sisters of Loretto from Loretto Heights College in Denver in attendance; also Sisters



The Monstrous Regiment

Do you like well written history, with new sidelights on characters and affairs? If you do, you cannot fail to enjoy Christopher Hollis' late book, "The Monstrous Regiment." The publisher is Minton, Balch and Company, New York.

"The Monstrous Regiment" is an interestingly written account of the so-called Reformation in England. The opening chapters outline the general conditions of England at the time of Elizabeth's succession, pointing out that at this time it was only a small number of Englishmen that had renounced the Catholic Religion; and those few, purely from mercenary motives, namely; that they might hold Church lands. The author then recounts the gradual growth of Protestantism in England and the various factors that helped it along: Pope Pius V's hesitancy, that allowed the people of England to become accustomed to the new order; the influence of the nobles, who desired to retain the Church property they had reserved under Henry VIII; the effect of this Spanish intrigue, which made Englishmen feel that any Catholicity linked with Spain was unpatriotic; the dominance that Cecil and Walsingham exercised over Elizabeth; as well as other minor causes.

Hollis gives interesting pictures of both the unhappy Mary Queen of Scots, and Queen Elizabeth. He considers Elizabeth in a different light from other historians. He depicts her as a despicable, jealous, vain, and rather weak woman, completely under the power of two of her ministers, Cecil and Walsingham.

The closing chapters describe the increasing violence of the persecution of Catholics; the rise of Puritanism that was "to make shorter work of English monarchy than monarchy had made of the Church"; the death of Elizabeth; the succession of James IV, who was under the control of Cecil, the younger.

Of especial interest are the two closing chapters of the book. The first of these gives in detail the evidences found in Elizabeth on drama, that at that time, the English public was still truly Catholic-minded. The last chapter gives the effects of the "Reformation," social, economic and moral; as well as some interesting hypothesis as to England's condition today had the monstrous regiment not marched. The author sums up the general nationalistic effect in these words, "the regiment of Elizabeth cut England off from the rational medieval mind. It completely destroyed the concept of Europe as a society."

Hollis is painstaking in the selection of accurate source material, and gives many authentic facts to vouch for his conclusion. So you will find in "The Monstrous Regiment" not only a well written history, but also a history with many fresh and entertaining view points, which, although unusual, may be justly defended.

Mabel's Logic

"Mother," said little Mabel, "do missionaries go to heaven?"

"Why, of course, dear," her mother replied.

"Do cannibals?"

"No, I'm afraid they don't."

"But mother," the little girl insisted, "if a cannibal eats a missionary he'll have to go, won't he?"

Where They Go—What They Do

Now assisting with the laboratory department of Webster is Miss Josephine Rabbit of the class of 1930. She is also teaching Spanish and English at the Rock High School.

"Joe" while in school said she would never, never teach, but here she is in our midst, an august pedagogue, and seemingly quite happy in the role.

Teaching in a high school and in a college has shown some striking differences between high school and college girls, the outstanding difference being that of discipline in the classroom. High school girls, she finds are more difficult to control, while those in college seem to be very serious minded.

In spite of her new fondness for teaching, Miss Rabbit does not intend to make teaching her life work. She hopes to become a technician and plans to attend St. Louis University in the next few years in order to do more advanced work.

Joe while in school took a leading part in dramatics. She has continued with her dramatic work and hopes to be able to join the Catholic Theatre Guild in the near future.

Modeling and Illustration has been introduced into Webster's Art Department this year by Miss Madelyn Miller, former student of Webster and of Washington University.

While at Webster, Miss Miller studied under Sister Dorothy Marie and at Washington University under Victor S. Holmes, nationally known sculptor, Frederick Carpenter, Warren Ludwig, and Frederick Conway, well-known painters.

During Miss Miller's first year at Webster, she took an active part in Athletics. She was on both the class and school basket ball teams. At Washington University she was a member of the Shikari Art Fraternity, the only one of its kind in the United States.

Miss Miller's work has been on exhibition at the Art Museum, the Sedalia State Fair, and at Webster's Art Studio. At present Miss Miller is modeling a life-sized bust of the late Sister Louise former Dean at Webster.

Miss Miller is still studying sculpture with Victor S. Holmes at the University, and she intends to go abroad later for further study.

Among the former students who have returned to the college in a teaching capacity is Mary Elizabeth Newell, assistant instructor of mathematics and a graduate of the Class of '26. Although her life at Webster was the same as that of any other Websterite, her days were probably more occupied than those of many of her classmates.

Miss Newell led an especially active life at Webster, for beside fulfilling the requirements for her Bachelor of Arts degree, she found time to take an active part in the Sodality, in Athletics and Dramatics. She won modest renown for her ability as a runner; she won considerable praise as "Bianca" in "The Taming of the Shrew," and as the Chinaman in "The Chinese Nightingale." In "The Rivals" as "Bob Acres" her acting was incomparable. Two years later she enacted this same role when the play was presented by the Alumnae.

Miss Newell said that at first it seemed odd to teach girls who were once her school mates. However, after the first year all her old friends were graduated and there were no familiar student faces to remind her of her own not-very-distant school days.

One of the perplexities of her teaching experience at the beginning was adjusting herself to the manner in which the students addressed her. Her friends called her "Miss Newell" in class, but outside of class hours she was just "Mary Elizabeth."

WEBSTER SODALISTS SPONSOR SUCCESSFUL EASTER EGG HUNT

Entertain Colored Youngsters with Holiday Party

Many hued Easter eggs, chocolate rabbits, colorful baskets, toy chicks and bunnies, were in evidence on Easter Monday afternoon, when a group of Webster Sodalists gave an Easter egg hunt at the Blessed Sacrament Sisters' home, for some fifty colored children of St. Elizabeth's school.

The party started with games and races that occupied the children's attention while the hostesses hid dozens of colored eggs in the yard. Then the hunt started and it was as enjoyable for the spectators as for the participants. The younger children were allowed first option and found more obvious eggs, while the older children had to ferret out the more securely hidden ones.

After the joyous scampering and shouting that accompanied this feature of the party, the entire group was taken into one of the class rooms in the convent, and served with cake, hot chocolate and candies. Immediately after the refreshments, prizes, Easter baskets, and toys were given to the winners of the games and races.

Turn about is fair play, thought the children as they entertained their hostesses with speeches, songs and dances. Then after much repetition of "Thank you," and "Sure

"La Table Francaise"

An interesting innovation has been made in the Students Dining Hall. No, it isn't a new painting or new china. But is a "Table Francaise."

At last this dream of the French students, who have been anxious to acquire facility in conversational French, has come true. Mlle. Prevost has kindly consented to leave her place at the Faculty Table and to preside over a table where French is spoken exclusively.

The table is intended primarily for majors and minors of the present junior and senior classes, but the privilege has been extended also to Sophomores and Freshmen.

Those sitting with Mlle. Prevost at "La Table Francaise" the first week were, Jo Reddin, Carrol Coleman, Mary and Loretto Day; the second week, Marie Schmucker, Margaret Wilde, Tina Hayes, Loretto Day, Rosemary Gottlob, and Peggy McCabe. This new venture is apparently meeting with great success.

An elderly lady walked into a railroad station in Toronto and asked for a ticket to New York.

"Do you want to go by Buffalo?" asked the ticket agent.

"Indeed not," replied the lady, "by train if you please."

hope you all come back again soon" the party broke up.

Audrey Klorer had charge of the arrangements of the party and was assisted by Mildred Bongner, Lillian Casey, Gladys Oltman, Mary Casey, Jane Burke, Elvira Krings and Alice Clarke.

"Comedy of Evolution" Subject of Noted Lecturer's Address

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of Centuries." Professor Walsh is a regular contributor to many standard scientific and literary publications.

In addition to his literary works, Dr. Walsh is well known as a lecturer throughout the country. His vast fund of knowledge in the medical field together with his literary accomplishments makes him a lecturer of unusual qualifications. Dr. Walsh has given many talks at Webster in recent years.

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HELEN O'BRIEN GIVES SENIOR PIANO RECITAL

Presents Series of Musical and Dramatic Selections —Assisted by Leona Simma and Catherine Kohl

On Monday evening, April 27, the Loretto Conservatory of Music and the Dramatic Art Department, presented Helen O'Brien in her senior piano and dramatic recital. She was assisted by Leona Simma and Catherine Kohl.

Varied in its selection of musical and dramatic numbers, the first part of the program consisted of musical selections by Beethoven and Chopin, and a musical reading entitled "Hiawatha's Wooing," by Longfellow. This very difficult poem was ably interpreted by Helen in a voice the musical quality of which was enhanced by Catherine Kohl's delicate piano accompaniment. The effective rendition of Beethoven's famous "Moonlight Sonata," wrapped the audience in the mellow atmosphere—almost the silver sheen of the "pale ports o' the moon." A splendid emotional climax was reached in the "Presto." Attention to the nuance lent poetry to Chopin's "Nocturne," and his "Etude" was undertaken with a daring impetuosity that rendered this number outstanding on the program.

Three Songs Given.

Leona Simma sang charmingly and well three very pleasing songs, "Voi Che Sapete," by Mozart; "The Wind Speaks," by Grant Schaeffer, and as her last number, "The Silver Penny," which was composed by Sister Adeline, director of the Loretto Conservatory of Music.

The second part of the program began with a dramatic cutting from "Within the Law," by Baynard Viller. Helen's interpretation of the pathetic Mary Turner stole away the hearts of the audience while her deftness in making the transitions from one character to another won their generous applause and approval. It is unnecessary to state that the monologue, "Heard at the Beach," was the cause of much merriment, not merely because it was good comedy, but because of the skill of this charming reader.

The lovely haunting melody of "Un Saspino," by Liszt, sang out in

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Calendar of Coming Events

- May 6—Election, President of S. C.
- May 8—Election of Sodality Prefect.
- May 13—Election of Student Association Officers.
- May 18—Closing of Music Conservatory.
- May 20—Mission Elections.
- May 21—Crowning of Our Lady.
- May 22—Cradle Song.
- May 23—Alumnae Banquet — May Day, Crowning of May Queen.
- May 25—June 2—Exams.
- May 29—Dramatic Recital, Mary Hickman.
- May 31—June 3 — Graduation Week.

PRESENTED IN SENIOR RECITAL



MISS HELEN O'BRIEN

Social Hall Will Be Scene of Spring Dances

Heretofore Webster's Spring Dance, sponsored by the College, has been given at one of the hotels, but this year it has been decided that Social Hall is to be the scene of the festivities and that Seniors and Juniors are to have their Spring dance on Friday evening, May 29th, while May 22, also Friday evening, is the date of the Sophs and Freshmen frolic.

The two groups are vying with each other as to which will have the more successful and charming affair. Much buzzing about and planning gives promise of a gay time for the Sophs and Freshies. The room is to be filled with the strains of good music and adorned with palms.

The Senior and Junior dance is to take the form of a Summer formal. All plans have not as yet been completed.

Father Corcoran Attends Honor Society Meeting

The annual meeting of the St. Louis Chapter of Kappa Gamma Pi, the National Honor Society of Catholic Women's Colleges, took place on April 28th, at the Jefferson Hotel, following an informal dinner at which Dr. Francis V. Corcoran, C. M., president of DePaul University and founder of the National Honor Society of which he is the Reverend Moderator, was the guest of honor.

The meeting was attended one hundred per cent by the St. Louis girls. The principal business issues were the election of the annual chapter officers and the discussion of the National Kappa Gamma Pi Congress to be held at the Book Cadillac Hotel in Detroit on June 27 and 28.

The results of the elections were as follows: Miss Theresa Shea was re-elected as president of the St. Louis Chapter and Miss Gertrude Jolley was elected secretary-treasurer from which office Miss Veech Matthews retired. Miss Thelma Gesell was also re-elected vice-regent. Miss Cecil Mary Ronan, the national president of the society, was also present.

ORATORY IS OPENED BY THE SODALITY

Opening of "Retreat for Prayer" Marks Climax of Sodality Year

Our Lady's Oratory in Loretto Hall, recently fitted up by the Sodality, was formally opened Friday morning, May 1, after the chapel meeting. The Sodalists, two by two, marched from the chapel to the Oratory, singing hymns in honor of Our Lady. The girls then inspected this quiet little room, dedicated to Our Blessed Mother, and opened for the first time since it had been furnished.

The Oratory itself is a room on the second floor, west, of Loretto Hall. At one end there is a small alcove which forms a suitable niche for the large statue of the Blessed Virgin, a copy of Murrillo's Immaculate Conception. On either side of the statue are pedestals, bearing vases of colorful spring flowers. The small half hidden window of the alcove is painted and throws a delicate lavender-bluish light on the statue and pedestals, that greatly enhances their beauty, during the day, while a ceiling light sheds a golden glow over this lovely statue. The heavy curtains on the large windows exclude much of the light and give a desirable dimness to the interior. Two prie-dieux occupy the center of the room. A copy of C. Busseron Chambers: "The Lord Calleth Thee," looks down from one wall and opposite it is a large, luminous crucifix. On the back wall of the Oratory hangs the blue Sodality service flag, bearing a white star for each Webster Sodalist who has become a religious. Simplicity and grace are the keynote of the furnishings of the Oratory; peace and quiet, the keynotes of its atmosphere.

The Oratory is intended to serve as a retreat for prayer and meditation for the girls in Loretto Hall, who have not the time nor opportunity to visit the chapel in the Administration Building.

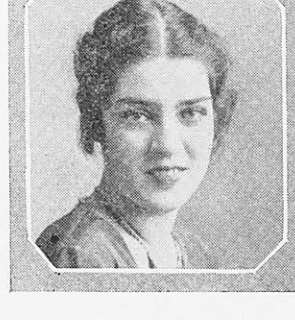
The opening of the Oratory is the climax of a most successful Sodality season. The room was intended from the first to be fitted as a room of prayer, but the occasion and means for furnishing it were not realized until the Sodality took the project in hand, some months ago. By several class affairs, a bridge and a candy sale, sufficient money was raised to purchase the prie-dieux, curtains and other necessary articles. The Sodality officers worked rapidly and devotedly to prepare for this auspicious opening on May 1, a most appropriate date.

Webster Girls Hear Paderewski Concert

When Paderewski played for the St. Louisans Saturday evening, April 25, six fortunate Websterites were in the audience. The whole program was highly enjoyable, but especially was his new and unique interpretation of Beethoven's Moonlight Sonata. One auditor remarked that his rendition of Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C Sharp Minor in a sense mystified his eager audience.

EDITORS OF PUBLICATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR CHOSEN

Editors-Elect



Mary Virginia Cummins, Web; Rosemary Gottlob, Loretine; Lakme Perez, Lauretanum.

"Social Usage" Topic of Talks By Mrs. Crosse

A series of lectures on Social Usage was completed at Webster on Thursday afternoon, April 30, by Mrs. Theodosia Crosse, a dramatic interpreter and lecturer of national reputation. The first lecture was given Tuesday afternoon, April 28, in the auditorium. This was followed by a lecture Wednesday morning and the course closed on Thursday afternoon at 2:30.

The course included many useful hints and rules in regard to table etiquette, social occasions in general, personal appearance, conversation and behaviorism, and a delightful little talk on "Charm." "Charm," said Mrs. Crosse, "is the power of giving exquisite delight. To be charming you must be self-controlled. Charm, Tact and Diplomacy are three attributes worth studying."

One of the attractive features of Mrs. Crosse's lectures was the question box.

This social usage course is practical because it is usable by everyone, every day, everywhere. Knowledge of the proper things to do or say increases self-confidence and banishes self-consciousness.

Mrs. Crosse possesses charm, dignity, education, refinement and personality. Enriched through social experience and observation, she is well equipped to present the why and wherefores of this vital subject.

Many and important are the elections which are taking place for 1931-1932, and not least among them were those of editorship for Webster's Publications, The Web, Lauretanum and The Loretine.

Mary Virginia Cummins, the present assistant editor, was appointed editor-in-chief of the 1931-32 Web. Mary Virginia is a true Websterite, for she attended Nerinx Hall for four years and lives in Webster. She is also the president of the Missions at Webster this year.

Clara Rochow has been appointed assistant editor. The other members of the staff are: Kathryn Bussman, business manager; Inga Block, circulation and exchange manager; Margaret Delmore, Echoes of the Halls; Margaret McCabe, Club Chat; Peggy Webster, Athletic News; Jane Burke, Alumnae News; Frances Bittner, editorial writer; Eleanor Carroll, feature writer.

At a meeting of the Junior class, Rosemary Gottlob was unanimously elected editor of the Loretine, to guide it on a very successful course next year. Rosemary is a graduate of Flat River High School, and has attended Webster for three years. The other members of the Loretine staff will be elected after the opening of school next fall.

The 1932 Lauretanum has for its new editor, Lakme Perez. Lakme is a graduate of Ursuline Academy, Kirkwood. She has been an active member of the Choral Club and has shown much talent as a forceful speaker in the several debates in which she took part. She will be a Junior next year and she promises great things for the Year Book of '32.

Versatile Program Is Presented By Blind Students

High school students of the Missouri School for the Blind graciously displayed their histrionic abilities in our Little Theater on Thursday, April 22.

Four of the girls presented "Managing for Money," which was a very interesting one-act play. The boys gave "Poor Old Jim." This play is one of the three winning plays in the High School Dramatic Tournament, and these blind boys, in presenting it, competed with other high school students not so afflicted, and came out victors.

The setting of this prize-winning play is Jim's house, "the morning after the night before." The characters are:

- Jim, a club man;
- Marie, his wife;
- Paul, the physician.

Between the plays one of the students gave an exceedingly interesting talk on the "Braille System," and the literature for the blind.

Afterward these splendid young people showed their musical ability. The pianists were very good, but the whistler was exceptional. The program ended with the whistler playing and whistling "Sweet Mystery of Life."

Mrs. Sankey, the head of our Dramatic Department, instructs these blind boys and girls.

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LAST PLEA FOR THE YEAR BOOK

The Lauretanum has gone to press. In less than two weeks it will be out. Even while you are reading this, innumerable copies are rapidly taking shape. Your student life for the past year—your class activities, your clubs, your social ventures, and your campus traditions—collected in pictures and in type, condensed into one hundred fifty pages, is being transformed from a vague chain of half-forgotten days and weeks into a living, concrete memento—a Year Book.

The 1931 Lauretanum is distinctly different from the ordinarily accepted type of college annual. The old order has been rejected; many unique and unconventional changes have taken place. It satisfies the eternal craving for something new, something unusual. It will be larger than last year's book by the addition of an eight-page Spotlight Section at the end. And, added to this, the art work is possibly the best that has appeared in a Webster book, having been compared favorably with that of professionals.

This, briefly summarized, is the 1931 Lauretanum, considered artistically, but there is another, and a less pleasant side to this matter of putting out an annual, namely, the financial side. It is the earnest wish of the staff and of the Faculty Adviser, and, we are sure, of all the classes, to put this book through without debt. The Junior Class, in particular, which is sponsoring it, is anxious to finish the year with a clean slate.

But we make no pretensions as miracle-workers, hence the factor upon which we base our hopes for success is not pictures and type, and art work, but co-operation. And we have had splendid support thus far. The student body has stood behind us from the beginning, and we take this opportunity to extend to you, fellow students, our sincerest thanks. If the Lauretanum goes through perfectly this year, to you will belong the credit.

However, we ask of you one more favor. In order to finish our work *this year*, a cherished ambition, the money must be in, and that *soon*. We do not want to place upon the already over-taxed Business and Advertising Managers the further burden of dragging their task into the summer months. So we put it up to you. Keep behind your patrons. Bring your book and patron money *at the earliest opportunity*. Will you do this to help us? We are sure you will.

FIELD DAY

The athletic year is drawing to a close. Soon the final suprt for victory must be made.

In order to make the last showing one of general interest, the athletic year culminates in Field Day. There are a number of events on this day and every one with any athletic aspirations at all can fit in some place.

Field Day is a glorious affair; excitement is high, and interest is at its zenith. So whether you are an athlete or not don't fail to make your appearance. Spectators, you know, are half the fun, and wild cheers and enthusiasm are most essential to good performance. And since Field Day is to be a universal day then let's have every individual member of the Webster College Student Body on the field in either of the groups: spectators or participants.

The best is always saved for the last. And speaking of culmination, this is a real one. What? The Athletic Banquet, of course.

Sister Borgia, by having no examinations Tuesday morning, has made it possible for us to thoroughly enjoy (and with real peace of mind) the gala closing of this big day. Thank Sister, don your best spirits, and let yourself go. There will be speeches and cheers, trophies and awards. "To the victors belong the spoils," and a good time to everyone.

"SUN-KIST"

You're not in it at all, unless you're out for bigger and better suntans. And another thing—you're out if you've been sunburned through a screen—for bigger and better freckles may be impressive—but in the wrong way. Despite all the fashion notes which say the lily-white maid in her ruffles and bonnet is to be the model this coming season, the suntan has its own attractions. The only thing to do, to get in the swim at Webster, therefore, is purchase a bottle of olive-oil and proceed to become "sun-kist."

TWENTY-EIGHT DAYS

Now is the time when we're all just a trifle off balance—terrible—but true. We are in the throes of a deadly disease. Yes, it's spring fever, the most dreaded ailment in the entire category of diseases. There is no cure for spring fever—and that is perfect in this case because now is the time for us to enjoy to the full, in that dreamy springy fashion, the last glorious, activity filled days of school.

Only forty-three more days (our newest slogan) until we leave for the summer (amid the proverbial weeping and wailing—how about it, Seniors?)

Forty-three REAL days, each different and vitally interesting. Only forty-three more days for Webster to give to us and for us to give to Webster. Call your readiness to the front, and in that delightfully spring-feverish attitude be prepared for each of these last days.

LIBRARY NOTES

"Blue—or maybe green—sea green or Nile green—no, a V neck—yes, very simple, straight lines—something comfortable and happy-looking—tan linen piped with red, would be pretty—do you think blue is really my color?"

So we pipe on, endlessly, mistily, dreamily, planning for idle summer days, when our brains, like perverted eskimos, will curl up in happy preparedness for communion with Sleep, the brother of Death.

Even now our eyes revert to distant horizons. Spring has played us false, we cry. She has bedecked the earth with taunting beauty. She has impregnated the air with scents of yesterday and tomorrow. She has turned tenderfoot, encroached upon our free wills, crept up upon us in the stolid classroom, created a vague unrest, and then as softly, glided out, leaving us possessed rather than possessors. So now we parse and conjugate, and in between times we discount days and sniff the air like unhappy pups.

It is freedom we want and we want it now. So we wile away the time between now and then, with plans for dressing our bodies and limbs, for satisfying our senses, for quieting our cravings, for draining Summer of her nectar till only the rind remain. All this we do, while the Mind, the faithful Intellect stands by like a foster child, unloved, forgotten, shorn of all excuses for being. What shall He wear in the summer days? How shall His vitality be sustained for September's onslaught of X, Y, Z; of Hannibal's wearying essays over mountains; of Shakespeare's subtle shrewdness; of History with its cabbages and kings?

The Library of Webster College has prepared for us a list of books for summer reading. Let us be democratic; let us walk up, unabashed and say: "I've never done this, but I'm willing to try." Let us give an old retainer the means to rejuvenation. His summer daily dozen, his skipping ropes and his easy hurdles. Let this summer mark the beginning of a new sensation for us—three months of leisure and pleasure, the more enhanced by our minds, perpetually nourished and inebriated with food culled from the Webster College Library list of Summer Literature.

MISFIT TERMS

A good many terms are misfits. Our best china is made in France. Turkeys are natives of America and so are Irish Potatoes. Cork legs are not made of cork and art not from the city of Cork. German silver is the invention of the Chinese, and is not silver at all, but a combination of inferior metals. Dutch gold is anything but gold. The catgut strings used on violins and other musical instruments are derived from the entrails of the sheep, and have nothing whatever to do with the musical feline. Camels' hair brushes are not made from the hair of camels. An Irish stew is an English dish; and an Irishman's hurricane (nautical term) is a dead calm. The Russians invented what we call the Turkish bath, and the famous Cleopatra's Needle, now in Central Park New York was made a thousand years before that famous lady was born.

The faculty and students of Webster extend their sincerest sympathy to Virginia Alice Walsh on the death of her father. He shall be remembered in our prayers.

DRAMATIC NEWS

In the group of one-act plays given in the auditorium on the evening of April 9th, by both Junior and Senior dramatic students, the Freshmen did quite well in Polly McManus' little comedy, "Between Trains."

"Toy Heart," a Chinese play, was second of the group. Lucille Johnson made an attractive Cho-Cho-San, and Rosemary Kruse, Dorothy Royal and Jane Fisher played with her.

Essex Dane's "When the Whirlwind Blows," which was entered in the National Little Theater Tournament at Chicago, was an attractive number. Alice Widmer as Madame Audroyea was outstandingly good. The parts of Joseph and Anna were well carried by Helen O'Brien and Thelma Pape, respectively.

"Pink and Patches" was splendidly cast. Mary Hickman as Texie and Marie Schmucker as Rexie displayed great ability in these roles. Peggy McCabe was a very convincing toil-worn mountain mother. Janet Widmer was the charming society woman who conferred the brown dress on poor Texie.

The Dramatic Department of Webster entered the University Theater Tournament sponsored by Northwestern University on April 17-19. This tournament is a yearly event to determine the most efficient dramatic cast playing. The Eva La Galliene cup is the trophy. Webster presented "When the Whirlwind Blows," played by Helen O'Brien, Thelma Pape and Alice Widmer.

The girls drove to Chicago with Mrs. Sankey on the afternoon of April 16. Elvira Krings, Kathleen Hamel, Janet Widmer and Marie Schmucker, chaperoned by Mrs. A. J. Widmer, drove up the following day to help with the lighting effects. Although Webster did not receive any prize, the girls were heartily congratulated on their splendid performance. The Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi Sororities were hostesses to the girls.

"The Train Whistles," a one-act play written by Patricia Herbert of Missouri University, will be presented by the Loretto Players of Webster in the St. Louis Art League Play Tournament on May 6th, at the Wednesday Club.

The play won first place among



While they were in Chicago, Alice Widmer, Kathleen Hamel and Thelma Pape spent an afternoon with Dorothy Walsh.

Helen Graves spent the week-end with Gertrude Foley in St. Louis.

On Saturday, April 21, the Sophomore Class sponsored a bridge for the benefit of the Lauretanum, at Scrug's Grill.

Adelaide Murphy attended a bridge luncheon given by Vidy and Dorrit Barnicle on May 2, in honor of Ellen Quirk.

The Phi Sigma Eta Prom, a dinner dance given at Sunset, was attended by a number of Webster girls and alumnae. Among them were: Margaret Delmore, Anne Ryan, Sr., Marie Wiebracht, Catherine McKenna and Rosemary Lane.

Helen O'Brien's mother spent a week-end in St. Louis to attend Helen's recital.

Virginia Hennessey, Catherine Fox, Margaret Vierheller attended the Phi Psi Dance at Northshore Country Club last week.

Sunday evening, April 26, Evelyn Rogles gave a bridge party in her home. Rose Wuerz, Sarah May Mowrey, Margaret McCord, Margaret Switzer and Dorothy Venker were her guests with their dates.

the one-act plays in the St. Louis Art League Tournament of Oriental Plays. The characters of the play and those who will portray them are: Nancy Turner, Catherine Cody; Mrs. Sims, Thelma Pape; Mrs. Hanks, Alice Widmer; Miss Clarke, Helen O'Brien; Jake, Bill DeWitt.

The Loretto Players were requested to take part in the tournament this year. They will be remembered for their splendid work in the contest last year when they won second place with "The Randalls of Virginia," and also carried away one of the prizes for the best acting.

NOT THAT IT MATTERS

Idle thoughts of an idle collegiate—the wonderfully many hues of colors in this world of ours—fascinating pastime, that! A white wonder—fleecey, cotton-like, snowy-white clouds—the sunset—a warm, olive splendid, glow of radiant crimson. The bright, clear, heavenly blue in baby's eye—the silver-gray, shining fin of a sun perch fish. The cool inviting green golf links—a little fellow in a golden yellow jacket matching his hair—my canary vision of sunshine! A petite pink-faced tot with a tiny pink ruffled dress and yes, of course, her pink dolly was along. Polly-wants-a-cracker, Polly-wants-a-cracker." Old Polly, too, represents a rainbow with her multi-colored coat like Joseph's. Colors and more colors! Who said out old world was drab? Wake up, sleepy head, lok around you—it's worth it, really.

Being in a decidedly touch-me-not mood I can't make up my mind, not even a little bit, to like

104-degree fever!
 Burke's Conciliation Speech!
 Oysters!
 A man who wears a cap!

Wrestling matches!
 Run-over heels!
 A squeaky violin!
 A house without curtains!
 I say, dreamers, there are things which you and I have yet to see: A golfer actually make a hole-in-one!
 A baby who doesn't play with and break people's beads!
 Eiffel Tower in Paris!
 A properly Crosse-ishly dressed couple!
 A spaghetti eating expert!
 A perfect bridge hand!
 A live penguin!
 My pet dog to perform for company!
 It really must give one a thrill to be a teacher when one can hold the attention of about thirty pupils for an hour. One may be interesting, unique, and put over his idea effectively, in a pleasing manner, or else one may be boring dull, and oh, so indefinite in his statements. A teacher can make students like a subject by making the student like him. But enuff sed about teachers—dangerous ground.
 Bye-bye and good luck.
 "Laurie."

Sodality Notes

CAN YOU ANSWER "NO?"

Webster College is a Catholic College, not a college Catholic. For this reason, she annually sets aside one day in May which is devoted particularly to the honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

This year Sodality May Day is Thursday, May 21st. At 2:30 p. m. on that day, the Sodality will march about the campus in solemn procession, singing appropriate hymns, each carrying the white rose that she later presents at Our Lady's Shrine. After the crowning of Our Blessed Lady the recession will lead to the College Chapel, where a sermon will be delivered by Rev. P. J. Forbes, C. S. S. R., and Solemn Benediction given.

What more fitting way is there to culminate our year's activity than with such a ceremony? On that day we shall formally, and in a body, offer to Our Blessed Mother our year's activity; we shall show blessings she has showered upon our work during this scholastic year; we shall crown her as our queen and mother. This crowning symbolizes our choice of her and her purity as our Model and Ideal, as well as our trust in her most powerful intercession with Her Divine Son.

No Webster Sodality who realizes all that such a crowning should and must mean, can possibly be absent from Sodality May Day. Our Blessed Mother asks you for only one hour of your time and She desires you to give it most willingly. Will you refuse her wish?

OPEN FOR BUSINESS.

The Sodality Oratory in honor of Our Blessed Mother has been formally opened. The oratory is for use and not for any superficial display. Drop in as you pass and "pay your devotion" to Your Blessed Mother; lift up your heart and mind to her, whose aid has never been asked in vain! And don't forget—prayer is the heavenly language, and in consequence, all other talking is barred from Our Lady's Room.

ACTIVE INTEREST.

No one can doubt the appeal of having a room in Loretto Hall devoted strictly to Our Blessed Mother. The interest displayed in furnishing the oratory has been most gratifying. A number of the Sodality members worked very hard in sponsoring the card party and candy sale, the proceeds of which were used for the Oratory; the Sodality members supported these activities whole-heartedly; some brought vases and plants; some others helped in getting the furnishings in their proper position; and one Sodality member interested her father in the Oratory to such an extent that he sent flowers for the formal opening. The Sodality officers appreciate such splendid co-operation, and Our Blessed Mother will surely bless such unselfish and devoted service.

100 PER CENT, PLEASE!

Any girl who fails to attend the Sodality Communion in May (unless she have a very good excuse), is hardly worthy of the title Sodality—another name for Mary's favorite and devoted children.

LISTENING IN?

Do you listen in on Station WEW on Sunday afternoons at 3:30 p. m. to hear the St. Louis College Sodality Council Hour? Tune in Sunday, May 10th, for a most delightful program. You will be delighted to hear Leona Simma, one of our Sodality members, broadcasting.

Coming Sodality Notes

- May 8—Election of New Prefect.
- May 15—Sodality Communion.
- May 21—Crowning of Blessed Virgin Mary.
- May 22—Election of remaining officers. Daily May Devotions.

CONGRATULATIONS!

At a meeting of the St. Louis Sodality Council, Virginia Drummond, one of Webster's outstanding Sodality members, was elected Secretary-Treasurer of that organization. It is hardly necessary to say that we are proud of Virginia, and that we offer her our sincere congratulations.

DO YOU REALIZE?

Do you realize that you are a Sodality member?

After you leave the meetings? When you are out on a date? When you are at your leisure? When you are participating in sports?

When you choose your reading? When you are conversing with others?

Until the Sodality has permeated your life to such an extent that it influences these activities, it has not fully reached its zenith of power in your life.

TEN REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD ATTEND MAY DEVOTIONS.

1. To pay homage to Our Blessed Mother.
2. To show your love for Her.
3. To ask Her protection in your daily life.
4. To beg Her aid in fighting temptations.
5. To plead for Her help in any personal need.
6. To insure your success in this life, and especially in the life hereafter.
7. To obtain light and help for your examinations.
8. Because the sponsoring of May Devotions is one of the important Sodality activities, and you are an active Sodality member.
9. Because all grace comes through Mary.
10. Because devotion to Mary is a fairly accurate sign of predestination to eternal happiness.

HELEN O'BRIEN GIVES SENIOR PIANO RECITAL

(Continued from Page 1) beautiful legato and Helen displayed enviable control in the lyric style. The pedal effects skillfully used gave color and atmosphere to the very lovely "Clair de Lune" of Debussy. The MacDowell group made a brilliant closing for the program.

Miss O'Brien's recital was a most successful one and she with Miss Simma and Miss Kohl, who so entertainingly assisted her, are to be congratulated.

REDUCING!

Reducing! One of the greatest evils of the modern generation, and one of the most popular pastimes! "I've lost two pounds in the last two weeks," has become more popular than America's National Anthem. And why? Just because it is the style to be tall and willowy.

What a change meets the eyes of old man sun, as he gazes in his beaming manner upon the planet of

Mary Helen Lynch Receives Habit of Loretto Order

Among those who received the habit of Loretto on April 25th, at the Loretto Mother House, Loretto, Ky., was Mary Helen Lynch, who is now Sister Helen Joseph. Mary Helen would have been one of Webster's sophomores this year.

A ten-day retreat given by the Rev. Ignatius Conroy, C. P. of the Provincial House of the Passionists, Chicago, Ill., preceded the reception and profession. Early Masses were offered by the Rev. Father Ignatius, the Rev. Charles L. Walsh of Toronto, Ohio, and the Rev. John J. D'Arcy of St. Louis. The community Mass was offered by the chaplain, Father Wm. J. Howlett.

Eleven novices made their vows for one year. Four of these were from St. Louis. The ceremony closed with the Papal blessing bestowed by the retreat master, and benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Mrs. E. R. Lynch was among the visitors at Loretto for the occasion.

Seniors Entertain Selves with a Slumber Party

After the recital was over, after compliments had been voiced, after the noise and laughter in the corridors had died down, after the lights should have been extinguished—the Senior frolic began! Pajamas of silks and ginghams, with wide legs and high waists clothed a jolly group of "sedate" grads.

The food is always an important factor in midnight feasts. (This is a rule without an exception.) The coffee not only percolated but also boiled over. Thank goodness there were coca colas! Other vittuals present were: Olives, potato chips, peanut butter, ham sandwiches, crackers, sandwich spread and cakes.

It has always been the custom to make this party exclusively for the Seniors, but this year the "sisterly" Sophs had a delegation of five members present. These youngsters afforded ample fun and exercise—surely picking five young ladies up bodily and placing them in a closet is exercise. The closet was a lovely dark one, with a mildewed smell and plenty of corners in which a spook might have kept himself hidden. The Seniors are very conscientious, so after less than fifteen minutes "punishment," the Sophs were released. And they were ready to depart for bed, a place fitting for people in their station on such a night!

A little later the party moved towards the elevator and the whole was raised to loftier heights by a mere push of a button. The next session was convoked in room 342, and the beds proved ample space for the discussion of grave problems.

One by one the gaily clad "missies" departed for a bed of their own. The party was a huge success but the surprising part of it all was that a few of the wide-awake-at-night ladies were present at the Mission Mass at 6:15 the next morning.

today for less than fifty years ago in fact as recent as the past generation, women grew indignant at the mere mention of their "thinny." They even wore three or four petticoats (the good old fashioned kind) that they might appear stout. And now petticoats in profusion do not make for "willowness," and so they are discarded by the modern miss.

Reducing is the result of pride, "Pride must suffer," and suffer they do, those who do reduce.

One of the most popular meth-

CLUB CHAT

The Poetry Club of Webster College held another of its delightful informal meetings on the evening of April 22.

Bernice Wolff presented an interesting review of "Prometheus Unbound" by Shelley. She included a short sketch of his life and pointed out events which greatly influenced Shelley and his philosophy of life. Because they are to be the theme of several future meetings, Bernice commented on the mythological references and concluded by reading some of the most beautiful passages from the work. The members of the club then discussed informally Shelley's style and appeal.

Thelma Pape, president of the Poetry Club, announced the date of the club's annual picnic as May 13. The picnic supper will be served at Nerinx Hall. Invitations are extended to Mother Linus, Sister Borghia, Sister Edwarda and all the alumnae of the club. The committees are as follows: Invitations, Alice Clarke, Kay Bussman and Ann Janes. Refreshments, Genevieve McBride, Helen Graves, Peggy McCabe, Frances Weber and Margaret Wilde. Entertainment, Helen O'Brien and Mary Hickman. Special, Carol Coleman and Elvira Krings. Treasury, Bernice Wolff, Rosemary Gottlob and Margaret DeLisle.

STUDY CLUB

The Study Club held a very interesting discussion Tuesday afternoon, April 21. The meeting was called for 4:15 o'clock in the Council Room, with Father Fallon, C. M. acting as moderator.

"Bad Popes," a subject of much controversy, was the topic of discussion. Bernice Wolff read a paper in which she stated clearly that the Pope, as the successor of St. Peter, is the head of the church; and that, when defining a doctrine of faith and morals ex-cathedra, with the intention of binding the Universal church thereby, he is infallible. Alice Clarke aroused interest when she cited a number of popes who had led immoral lives. She brought up the usual question of non-Catholics: "How could a sinful man be the head of Christ's church and regulate its doctrines?"

But this question, puzzling as it may have at first appeared, was ably answered by Bernice Wolff. She explained that the pope is only human and, as a man, may sin; but, when as a pope, defining doctrines, he is the unerring voice of Christ's church, and is divinely safeguarded from error in this capacity. Of the 261 popes, 75 are canonized saints, while only 28 may be accused of wrong-doing. Two per cent were wicked; 64 per cent were staunch leaders of the Catholic Church; 34 per cent were saints. Looking over these figures in the face of the age-old attack on the papacy, we can only say with Bronson: "It's a strange world; it knows not its benefactors and crucified its Redeemer."

Prof. (taking up exam paper): "Why all the quotation marks all over this paper?"

Student: "Courtesy to the man on my right, professor."

ods of torture is the 18-day diet. Imagine not eating anything you really want for 18 days! Deliver me! Perhaps our gym teacher has the interest of the Freshmen dieters at heart. The exercises she puts them through, would reduce anyone!!!

Instead of condemning these poor sufferers, as was the original idea, we have come to the conclusion that they need encouragement in their valiant efforts to fall in line in the "Parade of the 'Skeletons.'"

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Among the new books recently given to our library by Father Donovan is "Come to Think of It" (Dodd, Mead), the latest published work of G. K. Chesterton. This volume contains about forty-five essays of various lengths, which appeared previously in the Illustrated London News.

One of the most appealing features of the book is the introduction, which is delightfully humorous and closes with these words: "It was enough for our youth to show that our ideas were suggestive; it is the task of our senility and second childhood to show that they are conclusive. But this is no more than a note of apology in the matter, and in such a place, and on such an occasion, the most conclusive thing I can do is to conclude."

For the essays themselves, they are, of course, good, being Chesterton's; but they are not, for the most part, as universal in appeal, as charming, or as whimsically logical as most of Chesterton's previous essays. There are exceptions to this general criticism, however, for the essays "On Boys," "On Essays," "On the New Religion Coming," "On Original Sin" and "On a Censorship for Literature" are all up to the usual Chesterton standard and quite delightful.

The title of this collection, "Come to Think of It," is typical of the style and contents. There are essays on an almost infinite variety of subjects from the classics to prohibition; and they are written in an easy, casual, conversational style, as if Chesterton had truly just "come to think" of the point discussed. Those who are familiar with Chesterton and admirers of him will find much to delight and entertain them in this recently published book, though I venture to say that "Come to Think of It" would not offer a very propitious introduction to those unfamiliar with the versatile "G. K." A. C.

A New Kind of "League"

Kate D'Arcy has a "League of Nations" in her home. Kate, since she was 14 months old, has been a permanent hostess to two hundred and fifteen ambassadors, representatives, and consuls from the far north, south, east and west. No, they're not real live people, they are dolls, little ones, big ones, fat ones, thin ones—in fact every color, size and shape, from one-half inch to twenty inches tall, and made from wool, skins, clay, rubber, straw, and even corn shucks.

This large and interesting assembly is divided into three groups: European, Oriental and American, and numbers among its rank representatives from nearly every outstanding country in the world. The charter members of this "League" were fourteen dolls purchased at the San Francisco World's Fair by Kate's grandmother, who had become interested after seeing a similar collection there at the fair. From that time people who have travelled and those who have heard about the collection, sent dolls to Kate and she herself has bought very few. "It just grows as all collections do," Kate remarked.

Except for their annual spring cleaning and airing and an occasional outing as their recent exhibition at Kirkwood, this Miniature League lives in retirement—carefully packed away.

Chemistry Expert Gives Instructive Lecture

On Thursday, April 9, the members of the Chemistry club were given an interesting lecture by Dr. Yntema, head of the department of chemistry at St. Louis University. Dr. Yntema was formerly associated with B. S. Hopkins at the University of Illinois, and worked with him on the isolation of Ilinium.

The chief topic of the address was the oxidation of iron. Dr Yntema stated that this rusting is one of the most destructive processes now today. Less than fifty years ago of the yearly output of this metal, at least two per cent of the entire supply rusts. If this continues, in a few years an astonishing amount of iron will be lost. Thus scientists are seeking a method by which the corrosion of such an amount of iron will be prevented. One remedy suggested was to cover the iron with a metal which resists corrosion. Automobile manufacturers have tried this method by using nickelplate as a covering. Chromium has been satisfactorily used instead of nickel or tin plate. One automobile producer has solved the problem by mixing iron and chromium to form a substance called "stainless steel." Dr. Yntema's listeners were intensely interested, and hope to have the pleasure of hearing him soon again.

Extra Copies of Magazine Needed For Our Library

Lest you become impatient with wondering why and how this bit of script has found its way to the columns of your newspaper, be it known that this is an appeal. And lest the significance of "appeal" cause your eye to wander to less demanding material, would it be out of order to make a generalization? That little things, for existence, have made appeals; that little things, for their growth, depend upon hearty responses.

Our library at Webster College is growing and we proudly watch its heightening stature with something of the spirit of paternity. But now and again, at tragic intervals, we must say "No, we haven't that" to a studious inquirer. And most often such rejections must be made to demands for periodicals. There is hardly a college course today, that does not call for work with periodicals. We have endeavored to keep up with many and varied magazines. We boast current issues. But, remember, we are young and small as libraries go, and our shelves of back-numbers, past issues, look sadly empty. Periodicals that are literary, scientific, philosophic, religious, educational, historical, such, without doubt, you often resign to the rubbish heap. Then make Webster College Library your future rubbish heap. Permit us to be indebted to you for the growth of our acorn library.

STUDENT CRUSADE

The Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, Archbishop of Cincinnati, heads the list of inspirational speakers at the Seventh National Convention of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, to be held at Niagara University June 29 to July 2, according to latest announcements from the Crusade National headquarters in Cincinnati.

COMPLIMENTS
First National Bank
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Alumnae News

Eugenia Bock, Erlene Strothkamp Jo Thompson, Catherine Cody, Marie Sheer, and Jo Rabbitt were among those present at Helen O'Brien's recital. Some of these faces brought back memories of other days, other successful recitals in the fields of music and dramatic art.

A few weeks ago at a luncheon given in her honor, the engagement of Miss Dorris Jones to Mr. Bernard John Roll was announced. Websterites who attended the luncheon are: Orient Weis, Blanche Marshall, Catherine Rohan, Eleanore Frederic and Mary Daly.

Miss Catherine Rohan, of the class of '29 and former editor of the Web, has announced her engagement to Doctor Edward Egie.

Rare Issue of Ulster Gazette Loaned to Library

An Ulster County Gazette a newspaper more than 100 years old, has been loaned to the college library by Margaret Schwietzer. This issue was published in January 4, 1800.

The paper differs greatly from the modern news sheet. The pages are about one-half the size of those we see today. The heads have only a single line and seem to have no direct relation to the stories. There are no subheads to break the length of the reading matter.

The first page is entirely filled with news of the foreign relations of the United States at the time. The second and third pages are bordered in black, and contain a tribute to George Washington written by John Adams, and poems in praise of Washington. The fourth page has a dead letter office and a lost and found department. An interesting item in the lost and found column is the suffering of a generous reward for the return of two dollars. The value of money has certainly changed in 100 years.

The stories are written in a very elaborate style, and a few of the words used have become obsolete. It is somewhat difficult to read the print, because in 1800 the letter "s" had not yet come into common use, and the "f" was substituted.

Web Witticisms

First girl: He said my face was a perfect poem.

Second girl: So it is, dear. It's like one of Browning.

First girl: Browning? Why Browning?

Second girl: Because some of the lines are so deep.

Schoolmaster: "This makes the fifth time that I have to punish you this week. What have you to say?"

Youth: "I'm glad it's Friday, sir."

Teacher: "Minnie, what is a peninsula?"

Minnie: "A rubberneck."

Teacher: "No, no! It's a neck running out to sea."

Minnie: "Well, isn't that a rubberneck?"

The uplift worker looked in on the prisoner in the death cell.

"My good man," she asked, "what brought you here?"

"Trying to clear myself of the charge of bigamy, lady," the condemned man explained.

"But they can't execute a man for that."

"Well, you see, I shot one of my wives."

"Shall I answer the doorbell, mother?" asked Johnny.

"Yes," replied his mother, "and the answer is: 'No, we don't want any magazines.'"

Delightful Piano Recital Given By Kathleen Hamel

On Wednesday evening, April 22, Kathleen Hamel gave a piano recital in the College Auditorium, preliminary to receiving her diploma in music.

The program consisted of selections of Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Mayo, LaForge, MacDowell and Paderewski. Kathleen executed these musical numbers with a true artistic feeling which held the eager attention of her audience throughout the performance.

At the end of the recital the Rev. James J. O'Malley, C. M., presented Kathleen with her diploma, and gave a very charming little talk praising the graces and talents of the smiling but somewhat embarrassed young artist.

The presentation of many lovely flowers to Kathleen brought to a close a very delightful evening of entertainment.

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CONFERRING OF DEGREES TAKES PLACE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

YEAR BOOK FINE EXAMPLE OF GRAPHIC ART

New Edition of Lauretanum
Has Extreme Richness
of Tone

The Lauretanum was distributed to the students on Wednesday, May 20. The new book is generally conceded to contain the finest graphic art of any Webster year book in recent years. The general color tone of the book is black and silver and it is printed on heavy enamel paper of high finish.

A two-page spread, inside the front and back covers, presents in vivid drawing the dominant theme of the book, the Evolution of the American girl. This motif runs throughout the entire book and at the beginning of each section there is a drawing which is at once an extension of this theme and a symbol of the section to follow. Each page bears a charming silhouette; in the upper left hand corner of the left-hand page there is a lovely lady in a carriage; in the lower right hand corner of the right hand page one sees young Miss 1931 in an automobile. This innovation does away with the use of borders on the pages. The effect is quite novel and very pleasing.

The book is divided into five main sections: first, The Faculty; second, The Classes, with full page pictures of the seniors, and small individual pictures of members of all the other classes; third, Activ-

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Seniors Guests of Alumnae at Annual Banquet

Saturday, May 23 was Annual Alumnae Day at Webster College, Webster Groves, Mo.

The festivities opened with a luncheon at 1 o'clock in Loretto Hall when the alumnae were hostesses to the college seniors. Mrs. Robert R. Rosenthal, president of the alumnae, was general chairman of arrangements. The luncheon was followed immediately by the annual meeting and election of alumnae officers in Social Hall.

At 3 o'clock a bronze bust of Sister Mary Louise Wise, a former and deceased dean of Webster College, was formally unveiled in the west end of the ambulatory between Loretto Hall and the administration building, where the statue will remain as a permanent memorial. The covering was removed by little Harriet Averill Porter, a grandniece of Sister Louise Wise. Very Rev. Michael S. Ryan, C.M., of Kenrick Seminary, Webster Groves, Mo., was the speaker of the occasion. Rev. D. A. Lord, S. J., also spoke at the occasion.

The college alumnae sponsored this unveiling. All faculty, religious and lay, all alumnae, local and out-of-town, all present students of Webster College and all friends and relatives of Sister Louise Wise were present to pay silent tribute to one of the college founders.

WEBSTER'S CLASS OF 1931



First Row: Helen O'Brien, Mary Rose Burke, Ann Ryan, Thelma Pape, Kathleen Hamel. Second Row: Margaret De Lisle, Anita Bareis, Rosemary Hynes, Mary Frances Perry, Adelaide Murphy. Third Row: Alice Widmer, Bernice Wolff, Alice Clarke, Margaret Ludden, Carrol Coleman.

REV. J. P. DONOVAN, C. M., ELECTED DELEGATE TO CONVENTION IN PARIS

Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M., our college chaplain, and Rev. Thos. Finney, C. M., of St. Vincent's Church, were recently elected to represent their province at the international conference of representatives of the entire congregation of the missions, at Paris, France.

This conference of the entire order is held once in twelve years, and the coming session is considered of especial importance as being the first held under the new canon laws. In similar meetings of some of the other religious orders the sessions have been prolonged for two months. In the order of the Vincentian priests constituting the Congregation of the Mission there has been no change in the rules since the time of St. Vincent de Paul. There will be a few minor changes now in the rules, and several changes are to be considered in the constitution.

Both representatives selected from this province have been chosen because of wide experience. Father Finney has long been in administrative position. Father Donovan holds the position of professor of canon law and introductory moral theology at Kenrick Seminary and professor of ethics and social science at Webster. He is president of the Diocesan Council for the Propagation of the Faith and local head of the C. S. M. C.

The faculty and student body of Webster takes this opportunity to wish Father Donovan a pleasant and interesting trip.

Seniors Guests of College at June Banquet

Junior Class Assists with Arrangements

The annual June banquet given by Mother Linus was held at the College on Tuesday evening, June 2. This social function is given in honor of the graduating class by the faculty and the entire student body.

The fact that the finals were in the background and the promising summer much in the foreground, lent joy to the occasion; the fact that we were bidding formal adieu to the seniors tinged that joy with a note of regret palpable both at the table and later when the entire group assembled in the Rose Room for a last good time together.

The Junior class was in charge of the arrangements for the banquet. Toasts were given by members of the Junior, Sophomore and Freshman classes to the faculty.

Dorothea Shuford Named Head of Student Council

At the recent election Dorothea Shuford was chosen president of the Student Association.

Besides being Junior Class President, Dorothea Shuford was class representative to the Student Council. During the past year she has acted as treasurer of the Student Association. She was recently

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MOTHER LINUS HONORED AT FAREWELL TEA GIVEN BY STUDENT ASSOCIATION

On Sunday afternoon, May 31, the Student Association entertained at a farewell tea in honor of Mother Linus, who for the past six years has been Superior at Webster. The President and Vice-President of the Student Association presided at the dainty tables, and poured tea for members of the Alumnae and other friends of Mother Linus.

Since Canon Law rules that a Religious may retain her position as Superior of any given house for only six years, Webster must this year part with one of her most loved nuns, one who has worked so unselfishly for the good of the school and the advance of higher Catholic education for women.

Mother Linus came to this city from Loretto Heights College, Denver, Colorado, in 1925, and Webster has grown and prospered under her direction.

Both the faculty and student body have been increased; and the buildings have been improved in two outstanding ways, first by the remodeling of the east wing of the second floor of the Administration Building to form the section now devoted to biology, and second by the erection of Loretto Hall, the new and spacious dormitory building that will house approximately two hundred girls.

The students are sorry to see Mother Linus leave and take this opportunity to express publicly their gratitude for all she has done for them and for Webster.

FR. CORCORAN TO ADDRESS SENIOR CLASS

Archbishop Will Confer Degrees Upon 15 Graduates

The conferring of degrees upon the fifteen members of the senior class will take place on Wednesday afternoon, June 3, at three o'clock, in the College auditorium. Very Rev. Francis V. Corcoran, C.M., president of De Paul University, will address the graduates. Father was formerly a member of the faculty of Kenrick Seminary and professor of philosophy at Webster for many years. Most Rev. J. J. Glennon, D. D., Archbishop of St. Louis, will confer the diplomas and will be assisted by Rev. J. J. McGlynn and Rev. P. J. O'Rourke. The graduates will be presented by Rev. Thomas M. Knapp, S. J., regent of the Corporate Colleges.

The graduation exercises will close with Solemn Benediction in the College Chapel.

The Bachelor of Arts degree will be conferred upon Anita Mary Bareis, Mary Rose Burke, Margaret Moder DeLisle, Kathleen Hamel, Rosemary Hynes, Margaret Ann Ludden, Adelaide Murphy, Thelma Loretto Pape, Mary Frances Perry, Ann Ryan, Alice Lavina Widmer, Alice Kinney Clarke, Cum Laude, Bernice Wolff, Magna Cum Laude. The Bachelor of Philosophy degree will be bestowed upon Carroll Coleman and Bachelor of Science in Music upon Helen Margaret O'Brien.

Rev. F. J. Gerst Celebrates Mass for Senior Class

Rev. J. P. O'Malley, C. M., and Rev. R. E. McKeon, Deacons — Sermon Given By Rev. J. J. Gunn, C. SS. R.

A Solemn High Mass was celebrated for the Seniors on Sunday morning, May 31, at 9:30 o'clock in the College Chapel by Rev. Francis J. Gerst, S. J. Rev. James P. O'Malley, C. M., and Rev. Robert E. McKeon, were Deacons, and Rev. Joseph P. Donovan, C. M., the College Chaplain, was Master of Ceremonies. The sermon was delivered by Rev. J. J. Gunn, C. SS. R. The music was rendered by the choir made up of the members of the Choral Clubs of the Corporate Colleges.

Immediately after the Mass the "ivy was planted" and "tassels were turned," and the Ivy Poem was read by Margaret DeLisle, a member of the graduating class and composer of the poem.

The seniors as members of the Corporate College of St. Louis U. heard the baccalaureate sermon at the University on Monday evening, and on Tuesday morning they took part in the formal commencement held in the university gymnasium at 10 o'clock.

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THE ALUMNAE

This month the Alumnae received into their ranks a new contingent of Webster Graduates. We have known each one of these new graduates for several years and during their college careers they have revealed splendid qualities, which we feel sure, will continue to shine out in Alumnae activities. We are proud of our fine, active Alumnae organization, and we are proud to send to them the fifteen graduates of 1931. Each one of the fifteen is a true Webster girl, and that is the highest praise that we can bestow upon any one of them.

It is this annual addition of new members that makes Alumnae organizations ever young, and ever growing. Furthermore, it maintains that close contact between those in the college and those who have graduated, and facilitates cooperation between the two groups. So that each year when the seniors leave the school, we really should not regret it so much, for they have merely changed their status; they are still an integral part of the college. If we may use the analogy, they have become members of the college triumphant, while we remain in the college militant.

To the Graduates, we bid farewell; but we bid you farewell only as fellow students, for we welcome you back again in your dignity as Alumnae. We know that you will show the older girls that the Webster graduates are still as fine as ever. And our finest wish for you is that your Alumnae years may be as busy, happy, and fruitful, and as devoted to the ideals that makes Webster so noble an Alma Mater, as were your college days!

SUCCESS OF STUDENT COUNCIL AND SODALITY

A school is judged by its standard of scholarship, by its morale, and by its activity. The faculty painstakingly establishes and carefully maintains the criterion; the morale and the activity are, in large measure, dependants on the students. And it is a commendation of the students' attitude toward these important factors that call forth this editorial.

Never before, we think, has the Student Council so fully realized the ideal its founders had in mind; the harmony among the various clubs and organizations was flawless; the spirit of enthusiasm and cooperation was all that could be desired.

Whatever is herein written but poorly tells the glorious story of what the Sodality has meant to Webster girls this year. It has been an outlet for whole-hearted active Catholicity. More—it has been a vital influence in making better Catholic young women, and bringing them closer to the hearts of Christ and Mary.

The years slip by and students come and go. But the successful activities and the high morale of the year 1930-31 will go down in the archives of this College. And the highest blessing that can be asked for Webster is that in years to come its student body will always show the same fine spirit that they have shown this year.

BRING BACK A NEW STUDENT TO WEBSTER

These are aching days, fraught with tearing impatience, heavy with a hungry longing for June. Somewhere in the background lies the monster, Examinations, demanding that we stare him down before we enter into the summer joys that will be ours. Somewhere, in and out, round and about our minds, float vague assurances of "sure, we'll study," and quickly, like fainting mortals we turn to the only certainty in today's panorama: Home! Home, in our imaginations, an incongruous medley of what really is, plus what the charm of distance has boy friends and girl friends and warm windless nights and guitars; genuine angel food cake and Sunday dinner, at the home board; untold delights and pleasures while the merciful gods keep quizzes, papers, reports and theses in perfect abeyance.

On and on through whizzing days, and soon September, with the rudeness of the uninvited, has swept August from the calendar. School again with "Hi" here and "Hello you-all" there; the Sisters to work with and play with; the halls and rooms to impregnate with our own individual personalities. Forever dry and empty, we drink deep and take our fill at the abundant boards of our Alma Mater.

How to tell her we love her? How to instill into her being an easeful purity of our loyalty and devotion? Do we remember bringing home a half-starved pup or kitten and appealing round-eyed and wistful to our mother's generosity? Do we remember our Mother's pride in our confidence; the pup's or kitten's ultimate joy in his health?

How about the girls we'll play and grow lean with this summer? Shall we invite them to come back to Webster with us; to eat and drink with us of a fare concocted of wisdom and served with the love and patience of our nuns? Yes, we love our school and love must be told. And we'll want our summer pals and wanting hurts. So let's do it the "Two-in-one" way: Grant Webster a loving child's acknowledgment and bring a pal, a new "stude," back with us, in September.

THE LEADER MAY MEAN YOU

Let's start with some truisms—bromides, if you prefer the word.

To the leaders belongs the future.

From the colleges will come the leaders.

The college leader who knows and loves his faith and who has

1931 MAY QUEEN
AND HEAD OF
STUDENT COUNCIL

DOROTHEA SHUFORD

DOROTHEA SHUFORD
NAMED HEAD OF
STUDENT COUNCIL

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named Faculty Representative to the Student Council. She was also crowned as Webster's May Queen. Dorothea came to Webster from St. Teresa's Academy, East St. Louis, Illinois. The other Student Association officers are Dorothy Kraft, vice president; Kay Bussmann, secretary; Jane Daly, treasurer.

The coming Senior and Junior Classes have named their presidents. Grace Strecker will lead the Seniors in all their future activities, while Justina Hayes pilots the Class of '33 through another year.

The students who hold the major offices: presidents of the two upper classes and sodality prefect

learned to talk that faith and lead others in it and to it will be the leader to whom Christ will look in the coming twenty years.

True enough to be tiresome? Yes, but often read and forgotten.

And don't forget this: That leader may be YOU. If—

There is the most important "If". Your Catholic college is providing you with the elements of Catholic leadership. But it cannot make you use those elements. Leaders make themselves. Nobody pushes or pulls a leader into action.

Thousands take drama courses; a handful ever see their plays on Broadway. Thousands dub along at golf; a scant hundred ever carry home a cup. Thousands take religion and philosophy courses; how many can Christ count on as His real leaders in the world today?

Your education gives you the material of leadership. Use it!

That is just where the Sodality comes in. The Sodality is your opportunity to USE your religion and philosophy as a leader and use it while you are still in college.

How? Still a little vague about it? Interested but at sea?

Then you are the one we want with us this summer.

College students will meet in our Summer School of Catholic Action to train for spiritual leadership and learn Sodality methods. They will sit around a table talking things over; they will listen to inspiring lectures, take part in practical discussions, roll up their sleeves and do real work. Vagueness, believe me, will disappear.

Mass and Communion will start the day. Informal lectures and discussions and laboratory practice will follow. Social features in delightful companionship will be stressed. The binding thread will be "Christ in the Life of the Student."

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DANIEL A. LORD, S. J.

Favorable Weather
Makes May Day
Decided Success

If there is a day in the year when the heart of every Webster girl is thrilled with the gayety and laughter that rightly belong to a college girl, it is on that day of days—May Day.

The entire program this year was beautiful. The trumpet of a page sounded the signal; the soft strains of music floated over the campus and slowly the maids began to wend their way from Loretto Hall to the white throne, abloom with spring flowers. First came the maids from the Senior class: Ann Ryan in pale green crepe, Kathleen Hamel in soft ivory silk, Helen O'Brien in a delicate pink organdy dress. The Junior class maids were: Ellen Prendergast in peach embroidered organdy, and Mary Hickman in pale green silk. Jane Daly in soft pink point d'esprit and Audrey Klorer in a peach starched chiffon trimmed with blue velvet, represented the Sophomores and last but not least, Mary Elizabeth Griffin, in delicate pink batiste, the Freshmen.

Again the trumpet sounded, and the queens of former years proceeded to the throne. Theresa Shea, Gertrude Jolley, Margaret Vollet and Adelaide Murphy.

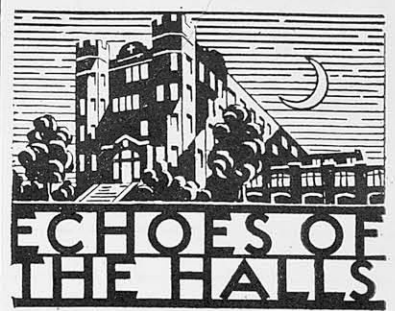
The applause and merriment hushed to an expectant stillness as Her Loveliness, Dorothea Shuford preceded by Elinor Jane Godfrey bearing the crown, approached and bowed her head to receive the crown of white blossoms at the hands of the retiring queen, Adelaide Murphy. The May-pole dancers "tripped their light fantastic" and Josephine Reddin and Marie Wibracht also danced for her Majesty.

The picture of this beautiful event will linger long in the memories of those who saw it.

become members of the Student Council *ex officio*. Justina Hayes is the second faculty representative to the Student Council. Class representatives are: Senior, Kathryn Bussman and Eleanor McGinty; Junior, Jane Daly, Dorothy Kraft and Lakme Perez; Sophomore, Elinor Carroll and Frances Bittner.

TO THE FRESHMEN

The Seniors wish to thank the Freshies for the delightful supper and opera party which they gave in their honor on Saturday evening, May 30. This lovely entertainment along with the favors—dainty silver filigree pins—will serve as pleasant reminders of Webster's Class of '34.



A little bird tells us that May Hillemeier will spend the coming summer vacation either in New Orleans, Wisconsin or New York.

Marie Wibracht plans to spend about three weeks of her vacation travelling in the East, including in her journey (stops) at New York City, Buffalo and Long Island.

Mary Frances Perry and Adelaide Murphy will do playground work, and Ann Ryan "Sr.," is seriously contemplating the same.

Thelma Pape and Alice Widmer are in charge of the Outing Home this summer.

Margaret DeLisle will spend her vacation teaching and writing.

"The best of friends must part!" Jo and Gen will go as far as La Junta together, where they will part—Jo en route for Denver, and Gen to Las Cruces.

Frances Weber will leave the heat of St. Louis behind to spend her summer in the North.

Webster's more ambitious girls, who intend to enroll for the summer session at St. Louis U. are: Mary Day, Helen Graves and possibly Eleanor McGinty and Grace Strecker.

Dorothea Shuford plans to go to Kansas City with a group of girls sometime during the summer.

Marie Coy entertained with a "bunking party" Saturday night, May 23, for Dorothy Kraft, Rita Sherer, Catherine Kohl, Janet Widmer, Ginny Hennessey, Ginny Walsh and Marjorie Sheu.

Catherine Peet entertained with a bridge luncheon on Thursday, May 14. Those present from Webster were: Dorothy Kraft, Rita Sherer, Marjorie Scheu, Ginny Hennessey, Ginny Walsh, Janet Widmer and Catherine Kohl.

Margaret Flynn attended a frat dance at Illinois U. Friday night, May 15, and Saturday motored to Purdue U. to attend a house dance.

Rita Scherer's parents visited her at Webster last week.

Marjorie Sheu attended the Alpha Tau Sigma Spring Formal at Kirkeville last week-end, and while there she visited Jane Poole.

Anita Bareis was hostess to many Webster girls at a bridge luncheon at the Knights of Columbus Home, East St. Louis, on Thursday, May 14.

Lakme Perez gave a lawn supper at her home on Thursday, May 21. Four couples were present, and among them were the following Webster girls: Tina Hayes, Helen Leuer and Margaret Delmore.

Dorothy Royal attended the Notre Dame Senior Prom over the week-end of May 8.

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Sodality Notes

SODALITY COMMUNION

The last Sodality Communion for the current scholastic year took place on Wednesday morning, May 27, Reverend J. P. Donovan, C.M., read the Mass and gave Benediction. The entire Sodality sang the hymns during Mass and Benediction. The singing of the hymns to Mary was especially appropriate for the month of May, and particularly inspiring to the Sodality.

Breakfast was served in the cafeteria for the Sodality after Mass.

Webster Groves, Mo.,
June 2, 1931.

Dear Sodality:

Our group Sodality activity for the scholastic years of 1930-1931 is ended. Together we have worked to accomplish the ends for which the Sodality was instituted; together we have been successful. It is only fitting then, at this time, that I, your Prefect, should express to you my gratitude for the co-operation that has made this success possible, for the plans of your Student Spiritual Council, would have been void, if you, individually, had not heeded the call of Christ Himself to greater personal holiness and more active Catholicity. Yet, my words of gratitude seem almost powerless in so great a task, and so, I can only ask Christ and Mary to reward you for your excellent service to them.

Especially thanks is due to the members of Student Spiritual Council: To Margaret Ludden, the Vice Prefect, whose intense desire to be of service to the Sodality, has lightened the work of the Prefect; to Virginia Drummond, the secretary, whose willingness to do real work has been responsible for the success of our Apostolic work; to Justina Hayes, the treasurer, whose deep sense of responsibility and unselfish service to the Sodality has made her an invaluable member of the S. S. C.; to Kathleen Hamel, whose persistent and patient work with the pamphlet rack has brought about untold good; to Mary Virginia Cummins, whose deep missionary zeal inspired the other members of the C. S. M. C.; to Marie Wibracht, whose interest in the Study Club Movement was responsible, in part, for the inauguration of the Webster Sodality Study Club; to Alice Widmer, whose whole-hearted co-operation in supporting the Sodality, through the Student Association has been a big factor in our success; to Jane Burke, whose art work has added much charm to the bulletin board, and whose work with Our Lady's Committee has been most praiseworthy, and to Margaret McCord, whose loyalty and devotion to the S. S. C. has been most commendable and beneficial.

To our faculty and to our Chaplain we owe no little gratitude for their support, as also to the staff of The Queen's Work.

But we are most indebted to Christ and His Blessed Mother. Without their all important aid we could have done nothing. Their blessings and graces were with us all the way, and especially did they seem present when difficulties were most numerous.

In an activity so spiritual as the Sodality, God alone knows the actual good which has been achieved. It is impossible for us to calculate definitely the extent to which the personal holiness of our members has been increased, and the amount of good that has come about by our active lay apostolate. Moreover, it is comforting to remember that our real successes, the heavenly merits we have stored up, the graces we have received for ourselves and oth-

ers, are imperishable and "stored for us at home."

Our tangible works are enumerated in the report which was sent to the faculty, and which I append hereto.

Let us look for a moment to the future, for what we have achieved this year is only a beginning. Tremendous possibilities for greater personal holiness and more zealous activity in the salvation of the souls of others lie just ahead. You have chosen your new officers, and you have chosen most wisely. All of them are girls fired with zeal for the Sodality; they are capable, and they are worthy of the honor bestowed upon them. There is no question but that they will work unwearingly for the cause. The blessings of heaven will be with you, the faculty will support your work. There remains, then, only one factor for your success, and that is the support of every individual Webster Sodality. I have no doubt that this support will be given to her most willingly, and hence it is that I turn over my duties to your new Prefect, happy that she is my successor and confident that you will help her to carry on just as you helped me. With intense interest I look forward to a most successful Sodality at Webster during the coming year. May Webster's Sodality always be blessed with real progress and achievement.

Sincerely yours,
BERNICE WOLFF.

REPORT

Webster College Sodality of Our Lady—Sept., 1930—June, 1931

The Webster College Sodality of Our Lady begs leave to submit to the faculty the following report of the year's activity:

GENERAL REPORT

The Sodality held weekly meetings throughout the scholastic year with the following general program:

First Friday—Chapel Meeting.

Third Friday—Monthly Sodality Communion.

Remaining Fridays—Business meetings, or better styled, action or inspiration meetings.

An average of one hundred girls attended the meetings. The attendance at the Chapel meetings was especially good—over 95 per cent perfect.

Chapel veils were bought for the entire Sodality in order to obviate the necessity of going to Loretto Hall for hats and veils.

A small box, in which were placed several veils for use in the making of daily visits, was placed near the Chapel door; the number of visits has increased since that time.

A serious effort was made to remind the Sodality of saying grace in the cafeteria. This activity was fostered by Sodality speeches, posters, cards on cafeteria tables and by personal example of the members of the Student Spiritual Council.

Fifteen or more Sodality members made several social visits to the children of St. Francis Colored Orphanage, the inmates of the Little Sisters of the Poor and of the City Poor House. By personal contact and small personal gifts, the Sodality attempted to spread Catholic cheer among these less fortunate people.

When death visited the families of some of the Sodality, the Sodality went in a body to say prayers for the deceased and to comfort the bereaved.

A Study Club, a group of Sodality members who meet voluntarily to discuss points of Catholic dogma, was

Sodality May Crowning Held on Campus, May 21

Members of Student Spiritual Council Chosen As Maids

The Sodality of Our Lady solemnly crowned the Blessed Virgin Mary on Thursday afternoon, May 21, in an impressive and inspiring ceremony. The Sodality gathered in the assembly hall, whence they went in solemn procession around the campus, singing hymns in honor of Our Lady, each carrying the exquisitely symbolic white rose, which she later presented at the shrine.

Bernice Wolff, Prefect of the Sodality, placed the dainty crown, and the special maids for the occasion were the members of the Student Spiritual Council, namely, Margaret Ludden, Virginia Drummond, Justina Hayes, Kathleen Hamel, Jane Burke, Margaret McCord, Marie Wibracht, Mary Virginia Cummins and Alice Widmer.

The shrine was temporarily built on the east end of the college campus. A life-sized statue of the Immaculate Conception stood on a raised dias, banked with ferns and white roses.

Special Hymns Sung

At the shrine, special hymns were sung after which the crowning took place. During the ceremony, a group of Sodality members sang the "Hail Mary." The Act of Consecration was then recited by the Prefect, after which she said a prayer for the Sodality. Following this prayer, the Prefect gave the Sodality manual to the newly elected Prefect, Virginia Drummond, and also placed on her the Prefect's medal, which served as a symbol of the duty, trust and honor, which the office of Prefect entails. Virginia Drummond then recited her pledge of office.

The solemn recessional of the Sodality led to the college chapel where the sermon was delivered by Rev. P. J. Forbes, C. S. S. R. The ceremony closed with Solemn Benediction, at which Rev. Wm. H. Huelsman, pastor of Holy Family Church, was celebrant; Rev. M. O'Connell, C. M., of Kenrick Seminary, deacon, and Rev. J. R. Lyons, S. J., of the Queen's Work, sub-deacon. Rev. J. P. Donovan, chaplain of the college, was master of ceremonies.

The crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary as Queen, Mother and Advocate, was an appropriate closing for the year's Sodality activity. It was at once a fitting expression of the spirit of the Sodality, of the ideals which they cherish and, it is to be hoped, an earnest of their continued devotion to Our Lady.

The Sodality was organized, with Father Lester J. Falon, C. M., as moderator.

Four hundred Catholic pamphlets were distributed in the college through the Sodality pamphlet rack. The oratory in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Loretto Hall was furnished with two prie-dieux, a new pedestal, curtains, a new service flag, pictures, ferns, etc.

The Sodality bulletin board displayed an average of five new posters each week. They proclaimed the activities of the Sodality and fostered the devotion of the season.

Webster Sodality members participated in Sodality programs, broadcasted by the St. Louis Sodality Union over Station WEW each Sunday afternoon.

MONTHLY REPORT

In September and October

The Sodality committees, which have been responsible for the carrying out of the Sodality work, were organized; the saying of the daily

SODALITY ELECTS OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR



VIRGINIA DRUMMOND
Prefect-Elect



BERNICE WOLFF
Retiring Prefect

SODALITY TAKES POSSESSION OF NEW OFFICE

The Sodality has taken possession of its office, which is located in Room 6, on the ground floor of Loretto Hall. The office is intended as a suitable place for the filing of Sodality minutes, reports, and correspondence, and for the storing of Sodality Bulletin Board Material.

It is also to serve as a workshop for some forms of Sodality Committee Work, and as a meeting place for groups of Sodality members who come together to discuss Sodality topics and problems. The office is an important step forward in the progress of the Sodality of Webster College.

rosary encouraged; Sodality indulgences enumerated, and the Little office explained.

In November

The Act of Generosity was explained to the Sodality and as a result eighty-three Sodality members made the Act. Inspirational talks on the Poor Souls, All Saints Day and Thanksgiving were given by Sodality members at the meetings. In early November, the following questionnaire was answered by Sodality members:

1. What do you want from the Sodality?
2. Do you feel that the Sodality at Webster really means anything to you?
3. Does it permeate your life?
4. What can we do to increase the number of Masses and Holy Communion, Visits?
5. Do you like Chapel meetings? Should they be longer or shorter?
6. Do you like the business meetings? What could we do to make them more interesting and beneficial?
7. Do you read the Sodality bulletin board? The Sodality Notes in the WEB.

The replies to the questionnaire were most gratifying in that they indicated that the students feel that the Sodality is a definite factor in

Following scholastic custom the Sodality has elected its officers for next year, and Virginia Drummond has been chosen Sodality Prefect.

Virginia has always been active in Sodality work at Webster and during the past year has been on the St. Louis College Sodality Council, and the Junior Class representative to the Student Spiritual Council as well as secretary of the Sodality, and chairman of the Apostolic Committee at Webster, and of the Publicity Department of the St. Louis C. S. C. At a meeting of this organization on April 16, she was elected secretary-treasurer for 1931-32. She has also held the offices of vice-president and treasurer of the Nancy Havern Mission Unit at Webster. Virginia is a graduate of Notre Dame Academy in Belleville.

The other officers of the Sodality are Justina Hayes, vice-prefect; Elvira Krings, secretary; and Mae Hillemeier, treasurer.

Gold Tabernacle Key Presented By Mrs. Haberl

Mrs. A. F. Haberl, Mother of Sisters Marie Anthony and Louise Marie, has recently given a gold tabernacle key for the College Chapel.

The handle of the key is a cross about an inch and a half long and a quarter of an inch in thickness, made of gold-placer mined by Mr. Dorrah—Mrs. Haberl's father—from his Colorado mines way back in the 70's. He presented it to his wife who, after wearing it, as was the fashion, on a chain about her neck for some years, gave it to her daughter when she graduated from old St. Mary's Academy in Denver. Her name, Fannie Dorrah Haberl, is engraved on the cross.

Sight and thought of this little key inclines one to exceed precise limits of newspaper exactness and yield to ecstatic ramblings and romantic musings. A cross made of virgin gold to be touched by virgin hands and devoted to the service of Him Who is the Creator of both the wondrous yellow metal and the wondrous human hands, the Virgin Christ.

their lives as Catholic college girls, and that its power and appeal lies largely in the fact that it is a student activity, i. e., that all the meetings are conducted by the students. They showed a special predilection for the talks on spiritual subjects given by the Sodality and for the Chapel programs that embraced the recitation of those simple, homely prayers and the singing of familiar hymns.

In December

A Triduum of Masses and Holy Communion in honor of the Immaculate Conception was sponsored. A Total of 30 Masses and Holy Communion was set as a goal for the three days. The finals showed a total of 313.

On December 8th, Sodality Mass was celebrated in the Chapel, after which eleven new members were received into the Sodality. A breakfast was served in the cafeteria afterwards. Only ten Sodality members were absent from these ceremonies, in spite of the fact that the attendance was absolutely voluntary and the day was a Monday and a school holiday.

A concerted effort was made throughout the month for a successful bundle drive. As a result, a truck load of clothing, food and toys was collected and taken to the Guardian Angel Settlement. In addition, \$8.00 of real sacrifice money was collected in one week in

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TWO SENIORS ADMITTED TO KAPPA GAMMA PI

Both Held Positions on Student Council

Announcement has been made that Bernice Wolff, Magna Cum Laude, and Alice Clarke, Cum Laude, are now members of Kappa Gamma Pi, the National Honor Society of Catholic College Women.

Bernice has always been active in the sodality and was the Prefect this year. She was president of the class in '29 and '30, and secretary of the Student Council in '30 and '31.

Alice is a Greek scholar, in fact she chose Greek for her first minor. She served on the Student Council this year; was a member of the year book staff in '30, and was chosen this year for that Spotlight section of the Lauretanum, captioned "Literature." She is a member of the Loretine staff and has taken an active part in both the classical and poetry clubs.

Webster is proud of her new representatives in the Honor Society and feels certain that within a very short time they will be listed among the distinguished members of Kappa Gamma Pi.

Bridge Breakfast Given By Juniors for Senior Class

The Juniors entertained the Seniors with a bridge breakfast on May 16, at North Hills Country Club. Summer weather and summer clothes were evident. The breakfast was served at a "U" shaped table which was decorated with spring flowers and green and white packages that disclosed attractive, very acceptable tan and ivory colored Morocco leather purses. The spring flowers were in reality corsages for the Seniors.

The prizes were won by Carrol Coleman, Adelaide Murphy and Alice Clarke. Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. McKenna and Mrs. Bussman chaperoned this delightful party—one of many social triumphs for the Junior class and a sweet memory for the Seniors.

Many Exchanges Received By Web During Past Year

Following is the list of colleges whose exchanges we have enjoyed reading throughout the school year, and for which we are exceedingly grateful to the publishers:

Brescia Hall, Canada.
Clarke College, Iowa.
College of New Rochell, N. Y.
College of the Sacred Heart, N. Y.
College of St. Elizabeth, N. J.
De Paul University, Chicago.
Duchesne College, Neb.
D'Youville College, N. Y.
Loretto Heights College, Colo.
Loyola University, Chicago.
Marywood College, Penn.
Nazareth College, N. Y.
St. Joseph's College, N. Y.
St. Mary's College, Ind.
St. Xavier College, Cinn.
Seton Hill, Penn.
Marygrove College, Mich.
St. Teresa's, Minn.
Rosemont College, Penn.
Trinity College, Wash., D. C.
Notre Dame, Ohio.
Holy Cross, Mass.
Fordham U., N. Y.
Notre Dame, Ind.
St. Louis U., St. Louis.
John Carrol, Cleve.
St. Marys of the Woods, Ind.
Maryville College, St. Louis.
St. Mary's, Kansas.
Georgetown, U., Wash., D. C.

WEBSTER CHOOSES DELEGATE TO CONVENTION

Webster girls unanimously elected as delegate to the C. S. M. C. Convention at Niagara, Mary Virginia Cummins, who has distinguished herself in the Missions by her zealous efforts, especially in the catechetical field. The qualifications for this position were many and of no light importance—material as well as spiritual attributes were considered.

The Hope Chest

I hope Ann Ryan will be a vivacious hostess.

I hope Adelaide Murphy will always be popular with the miners.

I hope Helen O'Brien will surpass Eva Le Gallienne.

I hope Rosemary Hynes will write a Latin pony.

I hope Mary Rose Burke will always be as happy as she makes others.

I hope Margaret De Lisle will meet Mahatma Ghandi that she might sympathize with him.

I hope Alice Clarke will write a history of Greek mannerisms.

I hope Carrol Coleman will make the Hall of Fame.

I hope Marg. Ludden will retain her lovely disposition.

I hope Alice Widmer will some day be Athletic Director at Webster.

I hope Mary Frances Perry will dance through life.

I hope Anita Bareis will get a "political pull."

I hope Kathleen Hamel will play Helen Wills Moody.

I hope Thelma Pape will always get a "kick" out of life.

I hope Bernice Wolff will teach ninth graders that two minus quantities equal a plus.

Seniors Guests of Sophs at Treasure Hunt

Heave-ho! Pirates! Treasure Hunt! Beware! Beware! Surely not! The Sophomores had planned this event for the Seniors. So the warning must have been a caution on reading the clues.

More than a half dozen cars left Webster, bound for the insane asylum. (No jest intended, the city sanitarium was the first stop of the exciting hunt.) The clues took the crowd to the following places in the following order: Seidel's Lumber Co., Hotel Chase, Municipal Opera, Jefferson Memorial, Bear Pits, Phillip's 66 (Clayton), University City Gates, Delmar Station (trains), Hobby House, Garden Theater, Water Works, A Country Store, Baxter Road, Orchard Hill Farm, Yellow Barn, Corley's.

Excitement prevailed! Margaret Ludden and Alice Widmer dug side by side! Deeper—deeper! X marked the spot where the treasure lay. "Wide-awake" Widmer first spied the chest, and "Quick-As-a-Flash" Ludden reached for the prize hurriedly. The five dollars in pennies had to be divided equally between the two winning pirates, because justice must be done! Moved, seconded and passed.

Then the merry mob passed into the house and ate with appetites quite becoming pirates. The Seniors were presented with silver bud vases, upon which were engraved the individual's initials and W C '31.

Bridge, checkers and dancing entertained the crowd until they left about five o'clock for the city. The Seniors take this opportunity to thank the Sophomores for the happy afternoon, and to assure them that any time they would like to have another "Treasure Hunt"—we accept with pleasure.

Seniors' Activities and Interests Told in Short Sketches

Due to the presence of two Ann Ryans at Webster and Lafayette, Ann Ryan, Senior, has gone through six years with the prefix "big" before her name. From Loretto Academy, "Big" Ann brought her interest in dramatics and athletics. Anne has been Webster's Maid to the St. L. U. Prom., '31; president of the Senior Class; vice-president and secretary of the Student Association; class representative for three years on the Student Council; secretary of the Sophomore and Junior Classes, treasurer of the Biology Club; secretary of the Sodality; May Day Maid, Sophomore and Junior Years, Captain of the Volley Ball Team, and Junior Basketball Team, and on the Varsity Basketball Team in '29 and '30. Ann was born on July 22, 1909.

The Student Association, athletics and dramatics, are Alice Widmer's chief interests. As president of the Student Association, Alice has led Webster through a brilliant year of activity and achievement. Besides leading the Student Association, Alice has been president and secretary of the Athletic Association; president and vice-president of the Dramatic Club, faculty representative to the Student Council, '31; Varsity Basketball captain, '28. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Widmer's eldest daughter was born on August 12, 1909.

The one grad from Nerinx Hall is Mary Rose Burke, the capable editor of The WEB. For four years she has worked on The WEB staff, and the two latter years she has been assistant editor and editor. She is readily recognized by her hobby of collecting and correcting copy. Mary Rose's chief interest is music. She likes opera. Her favorites are Romberg's "Blossom Time," and Herbert's "Mlle. Modiste." English is her major, and French and education her minors. It was on April 16, 1909, that Mary Rose came into existence.

Learning new tap dances is Mary Frances Perry's hobby. Dancing and athletics are her chief interests and she would like to teach them after she leaves Webster. Her birthday is February 21. She came from St. Mark's High School.

As Prefect of the Sodality, Bernice Wolff has inspired Webster Sodalists to do things, not to say them. Due to her wholehearted interest the Sodality made great strides. With mathematics as her major and Latin as her minor, Bernice has attained an A. B. and a Magna Cum Laude, which makes her eligible for Kappa Gamma Pi, the Nat'l Honor Society. She has been faculty representative to the Student Council, '31; secretary of Student Association; president of Sophomore and Junior Class; business manager of the Loretine, and treasurer of the Math Club.

Naturally, Rosemary Hynes as president of the Classical Club, would be interested in the classics, for Latin is her major. Rosemary is a scholarship student from Lafayette. She has been business manager of The WEB; was on the Loretine staff; vice-president of Junior Class, and secretary of the Senior Class. She has an absorbing hobby of figuring out people's ages. November 9 is Rosemary's birthday.

The ivy poet of the class is Margaret DeLisle, a versatile artist, too, is she. Very much interested in all kinds of literature, Margaret has a hobby for negro poetry. Mahatma

Gandhi and his troublesome life is a side hobby. Collecting information concerning this distinctive character is one of her delights. Latin and French are her major and minor subjects. Margaret was secretary-treasurer of the Classical Club; secretary of the Poetry Club, and was on The WEB and Loretine staffs. On September 3, 1910, Margaret was born.

Alice Clarke is a patient, persevering student. English is her major, Greek her minor. And her efforts have not been in vain. She is an honor student and will receive Cum Laude. Baseball and dogs are Alice's hobbies. A talent for writing has given her place on the staffs of the college publications. She has been a member of The WEB staff four years and was Senior Class representative to the Student Council. Alice celebrates October 3 as her birth date.

From far away Yazoo City, Mississippi, comes Kathleen Hamel. By her southern drawl you may know her. She is proficient in all branches of athletics, and "Gym" is her hobby, interest, pastime, life's work, or what have you. Kathleen has been secretary and treasurer of the Athletic Association; secretary-treasurer of the Classical Club; vice-president and secretary-treasurer of the Math Club and assistant treasurer of the Sodality. Kathleen was born September 24.

Margaret Ludden has won her way into the hearts of all the girls at Webster by her sweet disposition. From St. Mark's High she came to Webster to pursue higher education. She majored in English and minored in Latin. Margaret has been business manager of the Loretine; vice-prefect of the Sodality; Classical Club vice-president; captain of Senior Volley Ball team; captain of Sophomore and Senior Baseball Team; treasurer of Athletic Association. She will be remembered at Webster especially for splendid bulletin board work. Twenty-one years go on August 26, Margaret was born.

Helen O'Brien is a graduate of St. Mary's, Little Rock, Ark. Helen received her B. S. in music, having majored in piano and minored in organ. She has been very prominent in dramatics and has given several delightful recitals. She has served as both president and secretary of the Loretto Players and has received her diploma in dramatic art. She was vice-president of the Senior Class and a member of the S. C. in '30 and '31. She was born January 26.

Carroll Coleman came to Webster in the Fall of '29, after having spent her first two years at K. C. Junior College. She has been art editor of the Lauretanum, '30-'31; member of the Loretine staff and Poetry Club. She received her Ph. B. in French and English. She was active in athletics and a member of the baseball team of '30.

Adelaide Murphy, the Latin equestrienne, has had a very popular college career. She is the retiring May Queen of Webster and at the St. Pats Miner dance she was the Mercer Fraternity Maid. "Ad" was also the Junior and Senior Class treasurer and a member of the Student Council, and Classical Club. She is also athletically inclined and was member of the Basketball Team in '29, '30, '31;

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ATTENTION!

The WEB takes this opportunity to thank those "typists" who so graciously gave their time to typing "copy." Their co-operation has been appreciated.

The members of The WEB staff wish to announce that as a culmination of their year's work, they are having the early copies of the Student Newspaper bound in book form, and the several volumes will be donated to the Library. The staff feels that in years to come these will prove most interesting. The "back copies" are issues from 1920-1929.

REPORT

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the cafeteria from the day students and \$9.00 from the boarders, and this money was given to the poor.

A party for the poor children of St. Elizabeth's (Colored) Parish was given by a group of Webster College Sodalists during Christmas Week.

In January

An effort was made to increase the number of visits by talks and by placing the box of veils outside the Chapel door. The singing of hymns at Mass and Benediction by the entire Sodality was also inaugurated. At the January meeting the value of a retreat for college students was discussed.

In February

The Sodality sponsored a breakfast at the closing of the retreat.

National Vocation Week was celebrated with the following program: Monday—Chapel meeting for the intention.

Tuesday—Talk on the state of single blessedness and Benediction.

Wednesday—Talk on Christian marriage and Benediction.

Thursday—Talk on religious life and Benediction.

Friday—Mass and general Communion for light and strength in the question of choosing a vocation.

In Lent

A strenuous effort was made to urge the Sodalists to attend daily Mass and Holy Communion during Lent. As a result, the set goal of 3000 Masses and Holy Communions was exceeded by four hundred and fifty.

A second bundle drive was sponsored and a large amount of clothing was collected.

Charity Week, during which the Sodalists were urged to be most charitable in thought, word and deed, was sponsored.

During Passion Week, inspirational and interesting talks were given by the Sodalists on Forty Hours, Holy Week and the Seven Dolours. The origin of the name Loretto was also treated in a student talk.

An Easter party for the poor children of St. Elizabeth's Parish was given by a group of Webster Sodalists.

Two card parties and a candy sale were held, the proceeds of which were used to furnish the Oratory.

A constitution, necessary to facilitate business and to co-ordinate the Sodality with the Student Association was adopted.

In May

The Oratory of Our Lady was formally opened by the Sodalists. May devotions were held daily in the college Chapel.

The year's activity closed on the afternoon of May 21st with the installation of the new officers and with the crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Respectfully submitted,

BERNICE WOLFF,
Prefect.

The Advantages of a Small College

Colleges, like hills, have their peculiarly distinctive charms and beauties; and student climbers ignore the excellencies of their immediate footholds and yearn to the vague outlines of promontories. For, be it the mater of a hill or a school, the trite threadbare truism holds. In distance there is charm.

Enrolled in a small, privately owned college, we are often caught and held by a sense of injustice, injustice done us by those who declare themselves our wise and knowing elders. Immersed in a kind of powerless despair, we wax eloquent and on the least perceptible stimulus, are ready and willing to recite a thousand injuries inflicted on us daily; a thousand joys, maliciously removed, "Elsewhere." And "Elsewhere" ultimately reveals itself to be a "city college" or a "state university."

Those of us to whom the fates have granted the privilege of attendance in city colleges or state universities, can attest to a certain brand of melancholia to which such students fall victims, when they remember, between breaths, small colleges throughout the country, and the "lucky kids" fed, bred and polished therein.

Our lusty contention here in favor of the small college, in no way aims to be a mud-slinging affair. We have no desire to arouse your sluggish intellects to the advantages of Webster, by negative means. Let those of you who have frequented the halls and class rooms of city and state educational institutions, keep close watch on the maintenance of fairness.

Fact demands a "show-down." City schools boast large enrollments; classes are enormous; professors have long ago banished the dream of "reaching the student," turning for solace to "group reactions;" individuals have pals or cliques, and the rest of the students are merely "the rest of the school." Scholastically speaking, mediocrity is swallowed up by the robot-like routine that must of necessity govern such institutions.

Of no organization has it been more truly said, than of the small college, that it is a great big family. Along corridors, in and out of classrooms, no breath of the chill of alienity retards our footsteps or clouds our suns. Upperclassmen and lowerclassmen mingle with an amity peculiar to small groups; a student democracy sustained throughout school years, and looked upon as the very essence of school life.

But the factor in a small college that vies with fairy land and its potions; with nature and its healing herbs; with surgery and its knowledge of reconstruction; with psychology and its secret of stimulus and reaction; the factor that influences the waking and sleeping hours of the student, is the vast possibility of, and actual inroads already made upon Student-Teacher contact.

It matters little where we hail from; it matters less how overwhelming our I. Q. We of Webster are in the swing of the small college routine and miraculously soon, we begin to speculate on the possibility of acquaintance with our instructors outside the classroom. We work well with them. Why couldn't we play well with them? And even in adolescent "play" and "work" there are bound to appear on the horizon, bruises and bumps and fractures of a sort. And teachers are incredibly good sports. We become bolder; we disclose our other "pains," our growing "pains," those "pains" without which maturity is impossible; pains which

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NOT THAT IT MATTERS

Graduation! After four years, no more school, no more good times, no more school, no more big worries, no more little joys. It's a big thought, this graduation—a sad, yet pleasant one. Never having had the thrill of being a college graduate, I would just love to know, wouldn't you (?) how it feels to—

Have completely finished one's thesis!

Be "all through" for good!

Receive a perfectly gorgeous bouquet from, ah, you know who I mean!

Kiss the Archbishop's ring!

To look back at all those banquets, treasure hunts, breakfast bridges, midnight feasts, given for just You!

Now, there are some people who are always so helpful, you know the type, offering unasked for advice right and left, boring you as much as Amos and Andy imitators do. Risking being dubbed or labeled as insane, silly, senseless, what were the rest of those adjectives? and taking a chance of losing my own good grace and so-and-so, here's some possible hobbies for the what-to-do-now graduate:

Give ping pong lessons!

Try making quilts for a living! (you know a sewing bee of you-remember-when-graduates)!

Start a collegiate tea room, using pennants for atmosphere, and call it by a snappy handle—"Collegianna" (oh, you name it).

Teach the tiny tots in third grade! is teach a strong enough word?

How many are play-grounding? (Don't get me wrong, it's an occupation.)

By the way, what's wrong with the florist shop idea?

If you want fifty or sixty more hobbies, kindly see authoress of above nonsense. Or perhaps you have eight to a hundred of your own in the dusty attic, eh?

In spite of this atmosphere with its day dreaming, spring fever and must I confess it, sometimes, only sometimes, pure laziness, there is a restless under current which only the most observant can detect. Can it be that the students are glad school is almost over, or is it the thought of exams, that would make anyone res'less to the highest degree (nightmares and all), and then again it may be the boarders, who, are at the bottom of the disturbing calmness. But you cannot blame them for being anxious to be home for many reasons—usually there is one big reason—a six foot, two hundred-pound reason. Am I not right? Well, well, well, it won't be long now! ! ! !

But seriously, no; my fingers are not crossed. I'm going to miss heaps and heaps, all those jolly friends who listened to me rave madly all through the year. In dashing away from you, my most delightful company, I'm wishing you all much happiness and a rollicking good time during the summer months. All aboard! Bon voyage mes amies! Your topsy-turvy "Laurie" (Laura Lee Ball to you).

Conservatory Closes Season With Well-Attended Concert

The Loretto Conservatory of Music held its closing concert of the school year on Monday evening, May 18, at 8:15 o'clock in the auditorium.

Orchestral settings for the concert were played at second piano by Miss Katherine Kohl, Miss Dorothy Leahy and Miss Virginia Ellet.

This last appearance of the Choral Club was fittingly enough the best; the girls sang beautifully and with much ease—had the soft colors and grace of the evening gowns a lightening effect on the characters who usually appear in Collegiate cap and gown?

Websters Annual Spring Day Picnic Held at Quarry

There is not one day in the year to which the students look forward to with more enthusiasm than Spring Day. All thoughts of study are put from the mind and visions of a rollicking good time replace them.

This year the weather man favored us with a warm, sunshiny day. Every once in a while the sun hid behind a bank of clouds but only long enough to let a cool breeze fan the frolickers.

The spot chosen for the picnic was ideal, the old quarry with its huge mountains of rock, tall shady trees, lovely paths through the woods, and a cooling stream—who could ask for more?

Exploration was the first business of the day but toward noon, crowds of girls strolled back, lured by the odor of coffee. There was no need for a dinner bell; long before lunch was prepared girls were standing in line waiting. Oh my! that food certainly looked tempting. Ham sandwiches, pickles, olives, potato

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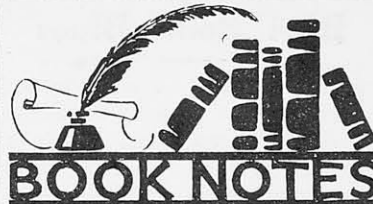
The annual picnic of the Poetry Club was held on May 13, on the Nerinx Hall grounds. Besides the present members there was Mother Linus, Sister Borgia, and some of the Alumnae, former members of the club, the Misses Lane, Curtis, Rabbit and Mrs. Tinker who brought the baby for a few minutes. The usual picnic supper was eaten with great zest and a deal of fun, and the usual mishaps of picnics occurred. A short business meeting was held, then a song, a parody of the "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi," entitled "The Poets of W. C." was sung and each member read her own version of a Mother Goose Rhyme. Then followed the election of the officers for next year. Gen McBride was elected president; Frances Weber, vice-president; Peggy McCabe secretary and treasurer.

The St. Louis University Classical Club held the last meeting of the year at the School of Education on May 10.

Two papers were read, one on Aeschylus and Sophocles by John Galvin, and the other on Euripides by Rosemary Hynes, the retiring president who also gave the presidential address. These papers gave some very interesting "high-lights" on Greek drama. Election of officers for next year gave the following results: Catherine Anson of Fontbonne will be president; John Galvin of St. Louis U., vice-president; Mary Joe Padberg of Maryville, and Marie Walsh of Webster, treasurer.

The Webster College Choral Club, assisted by members of the St. Louis University Choral Club, all in cap and gown, sang the Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, May 31, in All

chips, doughnuts, marshmallows and coffee completed the menu. Five o'clock found everyone back at home and conventionally speaking, "tired but happy."



Biographies occupy a prominent place in present day literary favor and *God's Jester*, the story of Father Michael Pro, S. J., will, in most probabilities, be welcomed warmly by a large number of readers, non-Catholic, as well as Catholic. This book is the latest work of Mrs. George Norman, author of *The Town on the Hill*, and is published by Benziger Brothers.

God's jester gives the story of the Mexican Jesuit martyr, Father Miguel Augustin Pro, who lost his life in 1927, during the religious persecutions in Mexico. All the facts of his life are given in more or less story form: his early childhood in a small mining town in Mexico; his call to the priesthood; his studies, first in Mexico, later in Europe; his return as an ordained priest to seething Mexico; his courageous and numerous Apostolic labors in Mexico City; and finally, his false accusation and murder.

These facts, together with numerous anecdotes, of Father Pro's life are given very simply; Mrs. Norman's style is most unpretentious. It is not the manner of presentation, however, that interests the reader, nor the political data supplied by the book; it is this story of a life, a hero's life of sublime, yet gay sacrifice, that fascinates and exhilarates. Gentle and compassionate, even tender, towards all, Father Pro spent the vivid, passionate nature that was his Latin heritage, only in the pursuit of his vocation—the loving service of Christ. He was fearless and calm in moments of most extreme danger, and only his great ingenuity rescued him from the precarious situations in which he frequently found himself during the months in which he devoted himself to his ministry despite the fact that a warrant had been issued for his arrest. He suffered intensely all his life from an internal disorder which necessitated three serious operations, but this illness never affected the joyous gaiety of his disposition; often when he uttered the sparkling witticisms that sent his hearers into paroxysms of laughter, he himself was in paroxysms of pain. It was this un-failing sense of humor, so charming a complement to his deeply righteous nature, that enabled him to do so much good despite almost insuperable difficulties, and that so endears him to those who read his life. Furthermore, it is this side of his disposition that accounts for the rather incongruous, though eminently fitting title, *God's Jester*, bestowed by Mrs. George, upon this priest, who may one day be canonized.

Saints Chapel here at the college. The program consisted of the *Missa Festiva*, by Father Gruenter, S. J., and the *Ave Maria* was sung at the Offertory by fifteen selected members of the Choral.

On Wednesday and Friday mornings, May 13 and 15, the Webster Choral participated in the singing of the canonization Mass of St. Robert Bellarmine, S. J., at the College Church.

In appreciation for the cooperation on the part of the Corporate College Choral Clubs, an invitation was extended by Father Forrey for dinner on May 23, at the University Medical School.

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LIBRARY NOTES

Can the thrills of financial independence ever compensate us for the passing of the "Chip-In" age? Long before Russia evolved her straitened dreams of communism, we were moving harmoniously in a play-world dominated by the "Chip-In" system; an affair of community possession rather than of public ownership.

Is it possible now, so many years removed from puppets, to relieve the anguish that preceded "playing house?" A committee of two, defenseless against possible maternal onslaughts, we braved in stern succession, all the houses of all our playmates. "We're gonna play house," one of us would venture, and though this rarely failed as an appeal, we would stand, pitiable victims of Dante's studied tortures, fearful lest "sumpin 'happen," until Mary, Katie, Rosie and Jane would emerge from their respective doorways, bearing dolls' attire and carriage appointments without which our flaxen-haired child must suffer nakedness and a bed of boards. Thus we set up house for an afternoon. Mental retracings reveal these scenes to have been beautifully democratic, pervaded by a happy ease, born of the knowledge that each participant had "Chipped-In" the best of her goods for a common enjoyment.

Psychologists tell us that when extreme youth is done, its pleasures are equally done. True, the substance is gone. We no longer trudge from house to house, begging the wherewithal to bedeck a thing of china face and straw-stuffed body. But can the sages cite a law against the preservation of the principle of the "Chip-In" system? Witness a boarding school feast with its "Chipped-In" ingredients, from all quarters of the house, of tea, sugar, jam, bread and the like; a social night, with the "Chipping-In" of student talents, accomplishments and ingenuity.

What past sin merits for Our Library such utter disregard? Whither have flown our "Chip-In" tendencies? Or has there been some mistake somewhere? Should we truly care to be enrolled as members of the "Chip-In" Club; to "Chip-In" one book a year; to be partly responsible for an atmosphere of easy democracy in Our Library? Good! See our Librarian!

Sister Catherine Louise is the new assistant for Webster's Library. She came to Webster from Kansas City and is a sister of Sister Francis Marie. We hope that Sister will enjoy her position here at Webster and remain with us for a long time.

Catherine Thomas, Member of "Chip-In" Club

History has failed to disclose in figures the years that have slipped away between her scholastic departure from Loretto and her recent friendly visit to Webster. But because Catherine Thomas has come bearing gifts, you will desist and drop the question of years. She is a Loretto girl, come back to say hello, and that is enough for requittal.

This business of "Loretto girl" is inexplicable. Girls get all finished and edged and frilled and, armed with a sheepskin, exit and take the high roads, hither and yon. And soon, they blow in the doors again, just to see "if the good ole place is still up," and make for the nuns with handshake hellos that threaten to separate arm from wrist; hellos that say volumes about lonesome post-graduate days. Or there is the girl who had to leave; who returns at regular intervals to thaw

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Alumnae News

Eileen Fleming has been elected president of the Alumnae Association of Loretto Academy in Kansas City.

Marie Cregan was appointed chairman of the card party sponsored by the St. Mark's Alumnae. The party was held at the Congress Hotel on Saturday, May 16. We hear that it was quite a success.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Mockler are rejoicing over the birth of a son on May 7. Mrs. Mockler will be remembered as Celeste Grindon. Webster extends her congratulations to the proud parents.

At the annual meeting of the St. Louis Chapter of Kappa Gamma Pi, Theresa Shea was re-elected president of the St. Louis Chapter. Gertrude Jolley was elected secretary-treasurer and Thelma Gesell was re-elected vice-regent.

Among those present at the picnic of the Poetry Club held at Nerinx Hall was Mrs. Emily Barnicle Tinker with her baby daughter.

Mrs. Catherine Cummins Sortorius of Garden City, Kansas, visited her family recently. She also paid a visit to Webster.

On Saturday, May 23, the Alumnae Association held its annual luncheon and meeting in the Cafeteria of Loretto Hall.

The Alumnae is also sponsoring a dance to be given at North Hills Country Club on June 6.

The wedding of Ellen Quirk, Class '30, to Dr. Edward Barnicle, will take place on the morning of June 1, at St. Roch's Church. We wish you all happiness, Ellen.

Mrs. J. J. Riley, formerly Margaret Mowrey, has moved to Memphis, Tenn., for a year.

Dorothy O'Keefe is to be with us for graduation on June 3. Royal welcome to you, Dorothy.

Webster Presents Dramatic Art Student in Recital

Mary Hickman was presented in her Dramatic Recital on Wednesday evening, May 27, in the Webster "Little Theater." She was ably assisted by Catherine Kohl.

Her program follows:

Piano:

Schan-RosmarinKreisler
LibesfreudKreisler
Selections from John Brown's

BodyStephan Vincent Benet

Piano:

The LarkGlinka-Balakirem
Musical Readings:

BedfellowsT. A. Daly
My Mother's Wedding Gown.....

.....Marion G. Bird..

InvyFlay L. Barelett
Monologue:

I Bought a Bed.....Lily Carthe

The program was varied in its selection with comic sketches. Both Mary, and Catherine who so entertainingly assisted with the program, are to be congratulated.

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Blue Book Blues

Editor's Note: The following sketches were written by Freshmen in English Comp Class within a time limit of twenty minutes. Note what they think of "The Blue Book."

By ROSEMARY SHAUGHNESSY

About this time every year the collegiate world loses its supposedly firm grasp upon its nonchalance, its debonair indifference. In their waking hours the collegians have a haunted look; they mutter to themselves. They not only begin to carry heavy somber jacketed toms about with them, they even open them and turn their pages. The day time is dreadful, but the nights are worse. The collegians toss and moan in their sleep. They shriek out incoherent phrases, such as "exams! the law of eight squared and cubed—I wonder where my lecture notes are? In 1766 the Corporation—not the Homestead Acts," then they wake up with a start, wide-eyed and shivering, to a reality that is almost as fearful as their nightmare.

And, oh, the pity of it! For usually they are haunted by the picture of little blue-covered notebooks. Small, flat little note books of a heavenly color, and blank—oh, heaven help us—sheets of paper, with lines almost as many as there are on the faces of those who must open the little blue note books and draw penned thoughts, corollaries, rules, laws and dates across those even, blue lines.

All this agony, this terror because they fear that these little lines, those tiny indentations in their gray matter will not produce the proper material to put on the lines of the blue book. The poor wretched souls are in dread lest they cannot transfer the thoughts of the pondrous volumes to the little flat blue books.

BLUE BOOKS

By Eleanor Carroll

What a diabolical sense of appropriateness the college professor who first devised blue examination books must have had! Blue above all colors most highly pertinent to its use as the dye for an examination book, and because of the feelings it inspires in the poor student who must use it. Why has no one ever written the "Blue Book Blues?" Certainly its associations are even more harrowing than the "man who had a heart like a rock in the sea." On the other hand, thinking solely of appropriations we have neglected the cause of "blue" itself. I wonder how the color "blue," so long associated with the celestial tapestry, the ocean's fascination and the deep loveliness of a maiden's eye, I wonder how it felt when diverted to such a heinous connotation as the dye for a blue book? I think it must have protested violently, and its face is still pale from the force of its exertion.

The blue of the blue book is highly symbolic, reminding us of the sky. Behind the blue cover of the book, and the blue cover of heaven, lay that which will determine our fate. Ah, black potentiality of the little blue book, will the words be, "Depart from these scholastic halls, you flunked-out wretch?"

BLUE BOOKS

By Virginia Ellet

A nickle a piece! Two for a dime! What are those tiny thin blue covered books? Not one of the Websterites would hesitate to answer that question. They are so precious and priceless, especially around exam week, that they cannot be bought at a cut-rate price.

At the end of the first semester, and at the close of the second, just imagine how much and how little

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out, as it were, to keep fresh at least a dot-dash contact. And there is the girl who had been "with nuns" all her life; who wanted to "get away." So she gets away, and after a respectable interlude she comes back.

It's dangerous, this Loretto atmosphere. It's almost like the poppy or Cerce, or all the sirens put together, but it's different. It lets the memoried visions from before you go out, but it makes you want to come back. And there's no shaking the star-dust from your hair or your eyes. It's Loretto you are and Loretto you'll remain.

Maybe Catherine Thomas wondered whether the ghosts of dead weinies still haunt the Loretto grounds. Maybe she wanted to make sure that spring on the Loretto campus really did used to smell just that way. Maybe a lot of things.

At any rate, men say it with flowers; girls say it with wallets, or neckties; children say it with love. But Catherine Thomas said it with books; a right chipper member of Our Library's "Chip-In" Club.

DONORS OF BOOKS

September, 1930—May 15, 1931

Allyn and Bacon	1
Mr. Baker	(volumes) 62
Eleanor Carroll	1
Carmelites, Cleveland, O.	4
Sister Mary Cletus	30
Sister Mary Cornelius (map and magazines)	
Sister M. Crescentia	25
Mary Casey	1
Rev. J. P. Donovan.....	22
Sister Edwarda	2
Louis Fuez	1
Sister Felicitas	1
Mr. L. Goesling	1
Rev. W. J. Howlett	1
Heath Company	6
Holt Company	5
Sister Mary Joseph	25
Sister Lucy Marie	44
Mother Mary Linus	5
Macmillan Company	3
Louise Murphy	1
Nancy Havern Unit	1
Dr Thomas O'Hagan (Canada) ..	5
Rev. F. O'Flanagan (Ireland)....	21
Mr. John Quinn	9
Sisters of Loretto (Florissant) ..	30
Catherine Thomas	81
Mrs. A. J. Widmer (magazines) ..	1
Mr. J. J. Walsh	1
Sister M. Adaline	1
Alice Clarke	3
Dunne Printing Co.	1

the "Blue Book" contains. Our credit for the semester depends partly upon those little blue things.

Their dimension is about six by eight. Not even as large as theme paper, and from cover to cover I would say there are fifteen or twenty pages. Some people fill every page with priceless knowledge, others only with beautiful writing.

What puzzles a Freshie very much is just why those books are blue, and not pink, green or yellow? Or some color that would cheer a worried and wrinkled face 'round exam week.

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Mission Unit Elects Officers for 1931-32 Term

The Nancy Havern Mission Unit held its regular monthly meeting Wednesday, May 20. At this meeting officers for the coming year were elected. Audrey Klorer was unanimously elected President. Audrey distinguished herself when at St. Mark's High School by her zealous efforts in behalf of the Missions. Ruth McKenna, another St. Mark's girl who has always been interested in the Missions, was elected vice-president. Mary Virginia Cummins, president this year, was chosen as secretary, and Mary Casey will be financial and spiritual treasurer, respectively.

YEAR BOOK FINE EXAMPLE OF GRAPHIC ART

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ities, including clubs, social life, publications, arts and athletics; fourth, Campus, giving pictures of May day and crowning of the Blessed Virgin, and the snaps of Websterites in informal poses; fifth, The Spotlight Section devoted to pictures of the girls who have been voted the most representative in various fields.

Fine Photography

This year the views of the college have not been confined to a small section in the very beginning, but are spread throughout the entire book. The photography is excellent and is in general accord with the excellence of the art work throughout the entire book.

The girls to whom the College is indebted for the 1931 Lauretanum are Mary Hickman, Editor-in-Chief; Genevieve McBride, Associate Editor; Carroll Coleman, Art Editor; Mary Brown, Business Manager; Grace Strecker, Advertising Manager; Josephine Reddin, Circulation Manager.

The student body decided to do its share in financing the book, and entered whole-heartedly into the enterprise. A goal was set for each class and was reached in every case.

Webster is proud of the staff and also of the spirit that made the Lauretanum possible.

THE ADVANTAGES OF A SMALL COLLEGE

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collegians some times find it simpler to discourse on with teachers, rather than with mothers.

We have seen young faces harden; anachronistic lines become rooted round the corners of mouths; eyes grow cold and unsympathetic; conversations become stilted, mundane, stock-phrased. And this because girls have lived through their "pains" in silence, without a sharing of the ache.

We agree wholeheartedly that college years are the years when plastic minds and hearts are fashioned to the reception of life. We grant that city schools go in somewhat for this sort of moulding—in groups. But we maintain that life like hills, like colleges, has its peculiar difference for each individual; a difference that must be sought out and dealt with; a difference that can be nurtured nowhere so gently and thoroughly, as in the atmosphere of Student-Teacher contact in small colleges.

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Mary Virginia Cummins Wins Honorable Mention For Mission Essay

The Catholic Students' Mission Crusade sponsored a nation-wide essay contest last April in order to select twelve keynote speakers for the Seventh National Convention at Niagara University, June 29-July 2. The contest was open to all Crusaders in the United States and Canada. Mary Virginia Cummins represented Webster in this contest and won honorable mention by her paper entitled, "The General Program of the Crusade." This honor brought with it the distinction of being one of the keynote speakers in the student discussion at the convention.

Mary Virginia has been active in mission enterprises ever since she entered Nerinx Hall. Her Sophomore year she represented that school at the C. S. M. C. convention at Dayton. Last year she was unanimously elected Paladin Leader of the Nancy Havern Unit. This year she was president of the missions and has been chosen secretary for next year.

Webster's Mission Unit will be put before the public at Niagra this summer. Will you be there to back your unit?

Senior Activities Told in Short Sketches

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track '28, '29, '30, '31; baseball '29, '30, '31.

On May 7, 1911, Thelma Pape opened her eyes in this world, and if the truth will out, they have been wide open ever since. She came to Webster from Lafayette where she finished four years of high school work in three. She became so fond of the intricacies of mathematics that she majored in them and minored in English and education. Thelma has been editor of The Loretine; business manager of the Lauretanum, '30; president and secretary of the Poetry Club; president of the Math Club. She is interested in dramatics and mathematics. Thelma's hobby is collecting china dogs. She has 85 varieties.

St. Teresa's Academy, East St. Louis, Ill., claims Anita Bareis as an alumnae. This past year she has been circulation and exchange manager of The WEB. History is her major, while education and philosophy are her minors. Reading is her favorite pastime, while baseball, with Babe Ruth as her choice, is her hobby. Anita was born August 2, 1909.

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