

## Dean Announces Faculty Changes For Year '48-'49

Replacements and additions to the lay and religious faculty of Webster College mark the opening of the academic year 1948-49. Sister Mariella, S.L., has assumed the office of Superior of the Convent, and has been appointed President *pro tem*, acting for Dr. George F. Donovan, now serving in Europe on an education commission. Prior to her appointment, Sister Mariella had served as principal of Nerinx Hall, the high school department of Webster College, for fourteen years. Sister Matthew Marie, the former regent of Webster College, is now principal of Holy Family High School in Denver, Colo.

Sister Francis de Sales, retiring Dean of Studies, takes up her duties as Director of Faculty Studies, as well as Director of the Spanish department. Succeeding her is Sister Rose Maureen, formerly assistant dean of the college.

Sister Placidus, formerly an instructor in the English department, is teaching in St. Augustine's High School in Lebanon, Ky. A member of the science department, Sister Agatha, instructor in biology, has left to enter nurses' training in Lexington, Ky.

The directorship of the Department of Business Education, long held by Sister Ambrose, is held by Sister Helen Jean. Sister Aubert, a member of the Webster College faculty for several years, returns

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## Music Majors Sing For Summer

Carrying on the tradition of the Webster College Music Department, several Webster and Nerinx girls performed at various functions and on the radio during the summer. Joyce Voss, junior; Ruth Schumacher, sophomore; and Rosalie Sardo, a Nerinx graduate, were heard over radio station KWK. Doris Schnur played on the Catholic Hour over the same station.

Connie Richter, senior, sang in the chorus at the Muni Opera. This was not the first time Connie has been part of the cast. This summer she was singled out and given special spots in some of the productions.

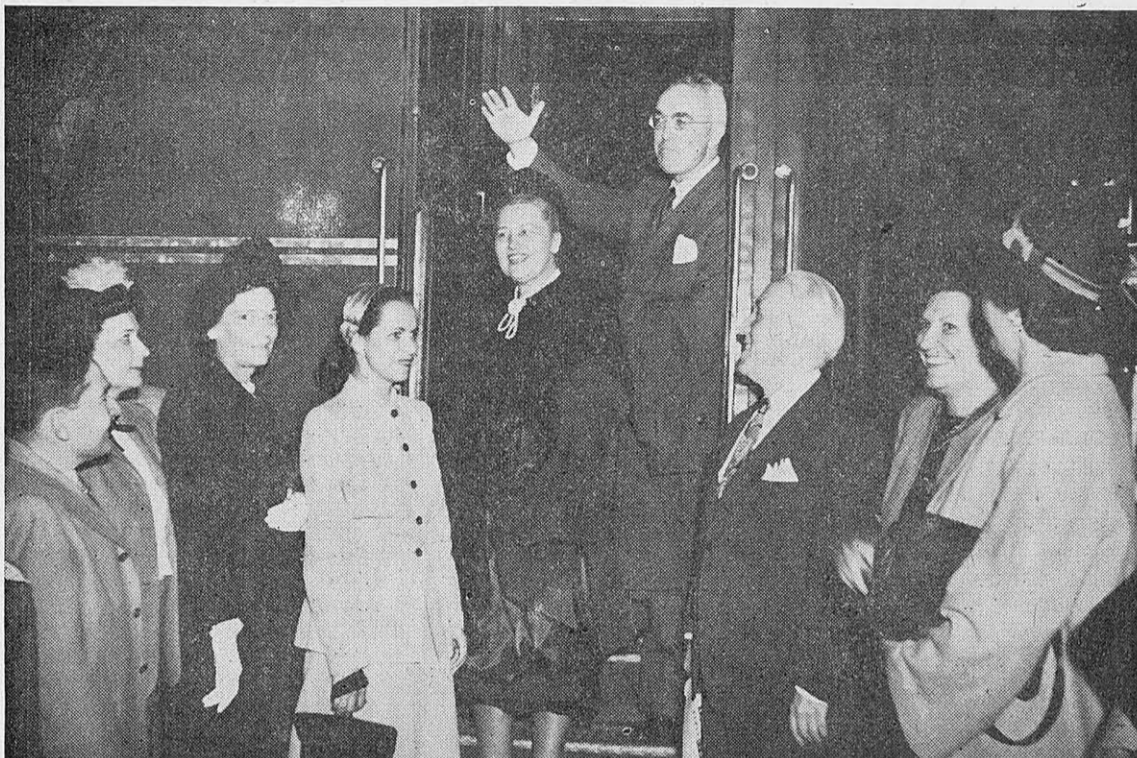
At the AHEPA Greek Convention held at the Jefferson Hotel, Catharine Ingleson, soprano, sang. It seems that the Mayor and other city officials who were present were impressed with Catharine's voice and even inquired as to what college she attended.

Rosemarie Pfeiffer accompanied Lorraine Rich, soprano, when she sang at the Missouri Athletic Association.

In July Barbara Haxton sang over KSD-TV. She appeared on Russ Severen's Teen Show.

The freshmen voice majors now have a tradition to uphold. Majors in voice from this year's freshman class are: Jean Kelly, Hillsboro High School, Hillsboro, Ill.; Adrienne Goldstein, University City High School, St. Louis, Mo.; Margaret Schiene, St. Margaret's High School, St. Louis, Mo.; and Jeanne-Marie Devereaux, St. Mark's High School, St. Louis, Mo.

## DR. DONOVAN DEPARTS FOR U. S. REICH ZONE



This was the scene at Union Station when Dr. George F. Donovan, President of Webster College, and Mrs. Donovan, departed for Europe. Left to right: Thos. Magner, Miss Dorothy Andrews, Mrs. Clarence Mooney, Mrs. Consuelo Wise, Mrs. Donovan, Dr. Donovan, Harry McClain, Mrs. Esther Brown, and Mrs. Jos. Barnicle.

## Gets AMG Post Under Gen. Clay

Dr. George F. Donovan, president of Webster College since 1931, left St. Louis for New York on Thursday, Sept. 9, at 1:30 p. m., on the first part of his journey to Germany where he will take over his duties as Civilian Administrator and Chief of Education in the U. S. zone. He will serve under Gen. Lucius Clay, American occupation commander in Germany. The Sisters of Loretto have granted Dr. Donovan a two year's leave of absence for which time Sister Mariella has been appointed President *pro tem* of Webster College.

After spending several days with U. S. Army authorities in New York, Dr. Donovan proceeded by boat to Bremen, Germany. He has not yet been advised whether he will live in Berlin or some other German city. In the present Berlin crisis American authorities are restricting the entrance of American officials into that city.

Dr. Donovan's duties in his new post will include the supervision and examination of institutions of higher learning, secondary and elementary schools, faculty, textbooks, and methods of instruction. He will study and examine the spiritual as well as material aspect of German education. The supervision of theological seminaries, theological faculties, and adult education will also concern him. In his work he will meet regularly with representatives of the English, French and Soviet zones.

In a private interview, Dr. Donovan told the WEB that he intended to make special effort to ascertain the student attitude at the various institutions which he will visit. He plans to have meetings, not only with the school officials, but with the students or a group of representative students. Dr. Donovan feels that this would be the best way to find out the true spirit, philosophy and general ideas of the German people. "I definitely am not going to do all my work from behind a desk," he said.

Dr. Donovan's appointment was announced by the American Military Government on August 5. At that time he told the STAR-TIMES: "I feel this appointment presents a challenge to American leadership in education, particularly in the promotion of democratic ideals and in the preservation of basic principles."

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## S. G. A. Names New Committees

The appointment of the following standing committees for the coming year was announced at the first regular meeting of the Student Government Association: Budget Committee—Jody Ritter, Mary Clara Toole, Mary Ann Kroner, Mary Margaret Hoffman; Ivy Room Committee—Pat Waller, Pat Andrew, Jackie Hellman and Mary Ann Watson.

Carol Dunphy, Mary E. Thornhill and Joan Boone were chosen for the Freshman Advisory Committee; Ann Kraft was selected editor of the Courtesy Sheet to be published before important social events, with Carole Rogles and Mitzi Catanzaro to help her.

Mary Frances Schaeffer is in charge of the Student Directory, and Margaret Carroll was appointed chairman of the Fall Formal scheduled tentatively for October 22.

Mary Frances King, Luke McAvoy, Mary Sam Norris, Joyce Voss, Shirley Bader, Alice Mary Casey and Faculty Representatives Carol Dunphy and Mary Clare O'Toole, are drawing up the resolutions for the Student-Faculty Institute, and Vron Murphy, Ginny Stack, Mary Jane Wiecek and Mike Franzman are Webster's delegates and alternates to the NFCCS.

## Peggy Mason NSA Regional Chairman

Miss Peggy Mason was elected Regional Chairman of the Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska Region of the National Student Association at the annual convention of the organization which was held at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis., August 23-28.

Peggy's duties will include the publication of announcements from the National Office to all the schools in the Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska region, as well as the making of arrangements for a regional meeting at which election of officers will take place.

## Faculty - Student Institute Held For First Time Here

On September 16th and 17th members of the faculty and student body of Webster College participated in a Faculty-Student Institute to discuss the development of a Christian character as the primary objective of the school. The Institute consisted of four two-hour panel discussions all of which took place in the college auditorium.

At the first session, Thursday morning, Sister Rose Maureen, dean of studies, opened the Institute with a short talk. Sister Mariella welcomed the upperclassmen and Rose Marie Saner, president of the Student Government Association, welcomed fellow-students.

The first panel discussion, "An Ideal Webster College—In View of Our Objectives," was presented by Mary Frances King, Lois Steuver, Susan Buckler, Virginia Stack, Fronia Helgason, and Mary Virginia Cooper under the chairmanship of Sister Edwin Mary.

Sister Frances Louise was chairman of the second discussion, "The Real Webster College." At this session Kathlyn Moore, Thelma Massery, Joyce Voss, Jeannette Jablonski, Margaret Mason, and Jayne Payne endeavored to show what Webster College is actually achieving.

At the third session Alice Mary Casey, Josephine Serafini, Lucille McAvoy, Dolores Yates, Angela Donati and June Murphy presented "The Ideal Minus the Real." Sister Roberta was chairman.

## Sister M. Louise To Be Sodality Advisor for '48-'49

Sister Mary Louise, S.L., has been named the new Sodality Moderator for the coming year. Sister Mary Louise will replace Sister Placidus, the former moderator. Sister Mary Louise will work directly with the officers of the Sodality in an advisory capacity.

## Freshmen Initiated; Bunnies Rampant

Approximately one hundred and thirty freshmen were initiated on Tuesday, September 28. The Freshies appeared dressed as rabbits in white costumes, including cotton tails and long pink ears.

The "Bunny Day" concluded with the formal initiation ceremony which was held in the auditorium at seven-thirty in the evening. Dozy Yates and Winnie Foy were in charge of the program.

The fourth and last meeting of the Institute was titled "Our Answer." A Resolutions Committee, composed of Patricia Andrews, Elizabeth Louise Taylor, Jacqueline Hellman, Dorothy Mullaly, Elizabeth Lou Hudson, and Shirley Bader under the direction of Sister Mary Frederic, spoke extemporaneously about ideas for improvement suggested by other panels.

All discussions included physical and spiritual, intellectual and moral, individual, domestic, and social objectives and were followed by open discussion from the audience.

The Institute closed with the Loretto hymn, "Hail to the Queen."

## YOUR SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

Through the pages of the WEB, the official student newspaper of Webster College, your president is honored to issue this message of invitation to the students to take a deep and active interest in the life of the campus—the faculty, the officers of administration, the personnel of the offices and departments, your parents and your friends, yourselves, and your God.

Make the WEB an informative instrument for good in your lives. Complete, clear, understanding news items; penetrating stimulating, and challenging editorials, critical, graphic, and human interest features—all go to make the WEB not just another extra-curricular activity, but a well knit organization from the editor to the reader, characterized as a poised, pointed, progressive, and powerful weapon devoted to the welfare of Webster, to the security of these United States and to faith in Almighty God.

GEORGE F. DONOVAN, President,  
Webster College

## Message From Sister Mariella

Dear Students,

You are beginning the new school year with unusual spirit and determination.

The mature and fruitful thought manifested in the two days of the Student-Faculty Institute has given promise of great spiritual and intellectual achievement in the year to come. I am proud and happy to be associated with the members of such a group.

May God and His Holy Mother Mary bless you and your work this school year 1948-1949.

Yours sincerely,

SISTER MARIELLA

## Thought In The Modern World

If the accusation were made that many students attend college for four years without thinking, the reaction of the majority of people would be that the statement was unwarranted. At first glance we, basing our opinion on the assumption that no student could pass college examinations for four years without thinking, are inclined to agree with the majority. However, upon closer analysis, we must frankly admit that there is a great difference between the thinking activity of a modern student during a final examination and "real thought" which we unconsciously associate with creative production, scholarly research, and intensive study. Obviously then, there are two kinds of thought. Perhaps they can be differentiated by referring to the former as necessary thought (such as is required for intelligent attendance at class, passing examinations, etc.) and the latter as profound (such as is characteristic of well disciplined minds).

Educators are for the most part correct when they say that there is a dearth of profound thought among college men and women today. We appreciate cultural beauty, but are not producers of great creative art. Why are we not capable of achieving a high degree of intellectuality as did our predecessors of a century or two ago?

In our haste to defend ourselves we say that the modern world is not conducive to real thought. Conveniences of every sort have made life so simple that thinking has become less necessary. To cope with this situation educators have been compelled to lower school standards and dispense with certain "difficult" requirements to enable students to "get in" and to "get out" of school at reasonable ages.

Granted that the ease and comfort of modern living are not conducive to the maximum development of our mental faculties, nevertheless, such life does not make thought of the ideal type impossible. Scholarship was exceedingly difficult in medieval times because of the lack of many of these conveniences.

The age in which we live influences our thought development, but in an accidental way, only. God gives to each one of us an intellect which is potentially thought producing, and a will, by which we can make thought an actuality. We can explain our shallow thinking to the materialists of this world, but can we convince ourselves that mediocre thought is representative of our best effort? Can we convince our God?

## Huxley's Hoax

What are you doing in the year 2108? In all probability our generation will be enjoying celestial bliss at that time. But what will the world be doing in the year 2108?

Aldous Huxley, grandson of evolutionist T. H. Huxley and author of "Ape and Essence" says, in his new book, that two centuries hence this world will be quite a place.

"Ape and Essence" pictures a universe which for a century, since the third World War, has lain in radioactive ruins. Belial, or the Devil, is the supreme ruler, and womanhood is despised and abused. Monkeys live like men, while men are led around on collars.

This is an overly fanciful picture of the future, but one we might think about. True, our descendants may never dance for pennies to organ-grinder music; nevertheless we are doing little to guarantee them a better plight.

Our leaders, our statesmen, are not infallible. World War II is scarcely over, and yet men are being recruited for the armed forces again. This is a passive protective measure which we pray will never have to be used.

Yes, we pray war will not come again, and that the present pending peace will be a permanent one. Another war seems very foreign to us. Out of our realm, it seems. It could become very real and very near.

What can we do? How about three Ave's a day for peace, as fervent as any we have said during wartime? It will pay off. Maybe one for our statesmen, one for Russia, and another for ourselves, to help us know what we can do to keep the peace, and not make monkeys out of any human being.

## Know Your Freshmen!

by Joan Hoogstraet

Horrors! What did you say? You don't know the Freshmen? Well, that's terrific. We'd better do something about that right now.

Come on and meet them. They're pretty swell, all 130 of them, full of pep and head over heels in love with Webster already.

We sight the case of Freshman Jo Anne Dickhaus, walking down the newly waxed halls of Webster with slick new soles on her shoes to boot . . . (pun) . . . She really came in with a bang. She fell for Webster the first day, head over heels.

And then, there's Pat Kinsella, a boarder, who remarked: "It's wonderful here. All we do is eat!!!"

Pat McQuie is the cute southern belle from "Loh-a-ville." (That's Louisville, all you Yankees.)

Betty Jones from Owensborough, Ky., insists: "I do not talk with a southern drawl, you all."

Mary Bunbury hails from Niles, Michigan, and she'll tell you she came to Webster because she wanted to go to a Catholic College. Good for you, Mary.



There are no doubts about it that Mary Jo Klein, Carol Pfeffer, Jerry Washington and Pat Walsh are already feeling right at home. Any morning you can find the four of them establishing themselves 'round an Ivy Room table and—were those quotations from Culbertson that I heard?

There are two Barbara Meyer's (or Meier's), but you can't con-

fuse them. On second thought, I guess you can, if you really try. But just follow this clear, concise formula, and you'll always keep them straight. One is Barbara Marie Meier who is petite as a China doll and has pretty blonde hair. And t'other one is Barbara Jane Meyer who is tall, and slim, with shiny brown hair and the cutest smile. See how easy it is. But, should you get get confused, just holler for both of them and, poise and charm notwithstanding, point!

There are two Kelleys too, Pat and Jean. And they both spell that good old Irish appellation with two e's.

Another Betty Compton has invaded Webster's halls. And don't think you can distinguish them by calling Betty, sophomore, the one who sings. Betty, freshman, also has talented tonsils.

Talk about confusing, there's Rita Krebs, and there's Rose Marie Kribs: The i's and the e's of the world, eh what?

And Betty Banks says being at Webster is like the realization of a "dream."

Leslynne Benson has been ticking those green piano keys down in the Ivy Room which, by the way, absolutely fascinate her. Les is one of the perkier, friendliest-looking people we know at W. C.

Carol Gebhardt is the freshman who got so twisted up after two days of paper signing and card filling-out that she couldn't even spell her own name and had to ask somebody if Carol had an "e" on the end.

Joan Federer likes the sincerity with which people greet you and speak to you at Webster.

Betty Burggraf, a Chicagoan, who admits that the Windy City holds top honors in her affections, is fast catching on to the ropes of being a citizen at W. C.

Dee Kahalley loves it at Webster. Her only worry is that people won't remember her last name. Now, Kahalley isn't so hard, Pat. Alice

Ehrenberger insists that this is **her** problem. "Just call me Alice," she'll say.

Eileen Franke, who walks two blocks to school, who used to walk four blocks to high school, and who used to, long ago, walk one block to grade school, wishes she could board at W. C. "Then I would just have to walk across the Colonnade to classes," she adds. Obviously, hiking is not listed among her favorite sports.



Mary Jo Hillner said family precedent explains her presence at Webster. Mary and Martha Abbott followed their "big sis" out here, too. Quite a few of the freshmen are "women of distinction" in that regard.

Jo LeCompte is eager about Webster's dramatic productions. She can't wait until the time for the Shakespearean play rolls around. Incidentally, Shakespeare is getting pretty excited about having Jo around, too.

Time and space are running short so you'll have to meet the rest of the Freshies on your own. Here's a helpful hint. Whenever you see a girl who reads all bulletin boards faithfully, and who thinks that Education 33 is the initial step of her teaching career, and who believes "Comps" are new machines in the Business Administration Department—walk up to her and say, "Hello, my name is ———, what's yours?"

## ICEBREAKER HEARTWARMING SUCCESS

One Websterite imbued with an ideal opinion of that fair city, known as Boston, was bitterly dejected when she discovered that certain Bostonians had no kindred feeling for St. Louis—a-tall.

When a certain very small Freshman was dancing, her partner asked her how tall she was—to which she replied, "4 ft. 10 in." Imagine her surprise when he said, "Good, that's how tall my wife is!"

Incidentally, could some one in-

form us how so large and varied a collection of earrings got lost?

Yes, this was the best Icebreaker of all. Many of the young men had the courage to ask the girls to dance, others almost broke the ice and the remaining squires boldly and firmly asserted that next year—positively!—at any rate we all owe the School of Commerce and Finance a rousing vote of thanks for putting forth so much effort to make the Icebreaker live up to its name.

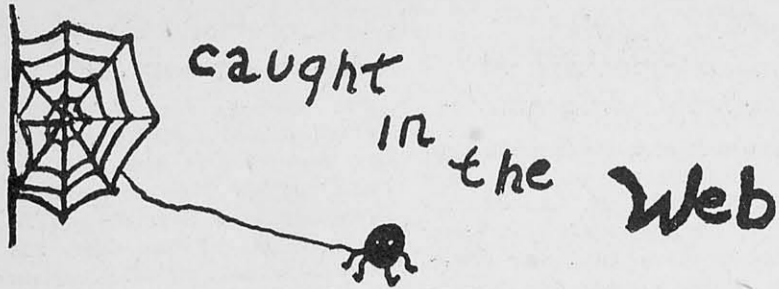
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by Googan McVay

NEWSWEEK is no longer Webster's chief source of timely tips on European affairs; in fact we have with us a source more timely than TIME itself, two first-hand accounts of life under the Hitler regime, and still more important, two new Websterites join us this year. I am referring to the two international additions to Webster, Friederike Dolezal and Inge Muller. Friederike is from Vienna and Inge is from Copenhagen. Why they came to Webster? Inge has a friend who is studying in a seminary in Cincinnati; the friend met Dr. Donovan, who offered a scholarship to anyone who would be interested in coming from Denmark to Missouri. "Naturally, I accepted," Inge said.

Friederike is one of the first five Austrians to come to America to study since the war. She and almost two thousand countrymen applied for scholarships made available by the International Institute of Education in New York, and after filling in countless papers, taking examinations from the American Military Police, and getting recommendations from professors, Friederike was chosen as one of thirty who would study a year in the United States. She had already studied for three years at the University of Vienna, and had expected to take the examination for her professorship this year. At first she thought it was



impossible that she could come to America; a small notice of the offer of scholarships had attracted her attention, but she had forgotten it until one day when a friend asked her to go along and fill out the applications.

The effects of the war on the daily life of the two has been different. If anyone wants a fascinating account of Denmark's underground resistance organization, Inge can give it to you. Her parents had died in 1936, and she was working in a bank when the Germans invaded her country in 1940. The universities were allowed to teach all during the war; the only direct interference from the Nazis was the deportation of professors and students suspected of belonging to the underground. Inge attended evening classes at the University of Copenhagen, from which she received her bachelor's degree. Right at the end of the war, all schools were closed to accommodate the 200,000 German refugees who were quartered there; they have been opened again, however.

Friederike's education was interrupted by the compulsory labor service which the Nazi government required before high school graduates could continue their studies. She worked on farms and then during the war was a streetcar conductor. I asked her about the Russians; she said she was not used

to expressing an opinion because at home it was too dangerous; anyone, even high officials, could suddenly disappear. "There are few Communists," Friederike said. "During the war there were some, but now the number is too small to have an influential voice in the



government. There is a great reaction against the closing of religious instruction in the schools which took place under Hitler. Catholic schools have been reopened and the religious practice which was suppressed during the war is flourishing in Catholic Austria once again." Do the Russians spread Communist propaganda? "Nothing they say will be of any use to them," she said. "We know from experience what they are and what they will do." Fortunately for her she wasn't in Vienna during the Russian occupation.

Both girls plan to be teachers. They are taking classes in education, philosophy, and literature, among other things. Friederike said, "I'm taking only 19 hours," and at our look of surprise, she said, "I know you think that's strange here, but in Vienna I took as much as 40 hours a semester." We said we took time out to live, too, besides studying, and she said, "You can do that here, but in Vienna . . . well . . ."

NSA IN REVIEW

WHAT IS THE NSA?

The NSA, or National Student Association, is an organization of American College and university student bodies. It was organized two years ago by a group of American students who realized that at that time there existed no organization which could rightfully claim to represent the American student thought before the world and especially before such agencies as UNESCO and the International Union of Students.

HOW DOES THE NSA OPERATE?

The NSA operates on the national, regional, and campus levels. A National Student Congress is held annually at the University of Wisconsin in Madison where plans and policy for the coming year are made. These matters are carried down through the regional organizations to the campus commissions.

DOES WEBSTER HAVE ANY DELEGATES IN NSA?

Yes, Peggy Mason, a senior, and Helen Pearson, a sophomore, attended the Student Congress in Madison to represent Webster. In the near future they will give a report of the Congress to the student body.

Mary Go Round

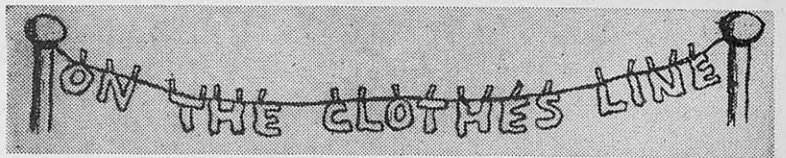
by Rosemary Schmuck

I suppose this will be more or less an open letter to our newest prospects for the Sodality. It seems to me that you freshmen are one of the luckiest groups Webster has had!! What a terrific "shot in the arm" Father Higgins was! What better start could "we" have had than Father's inspiring send-off to "you-all"—and I say we, because I'm positive there's many an upperclassman who can surely look back and wish she had known.

Didn't you especially like Father's insistence on knowing the philosophy behind your school? What a comfort it is to know that ours is the best that can be had. At Webster a girl can be sure that someone is particularly concerned about her. The very special thing to know is that God is right here in the same building—every single minute of the day! And He's the most important Person around. If sometime you're troubled—and who isn't troubled at one time or other—the best "treatment" is a quick visit to the chapel—there's a guarantee on its results.

Did it make you feel "good" inside when you realized that because you're in a Catholic College you are quite different from those who chose the state university? You're expected to be the rare bird, you know!

So this gives me just the chance I've been hoping for to whip into my sentiments about our Sodality! I honestly must admit that I didn't know how much it meant to be a "real Sodalist," until I attended the Summer School of Catholic Action. But while there, the thought struck me that if a person is going to be a Sodalist, what is the point in being a mediocre one—why bother being a spoke in



by Mary Thornhill

Well, here we are, back at school confronting new problems, new teachers and new fashions. Since we are all acquainted with Mr. Clockwise, we should have no trouble with the fashions at least.

Mr. Clockwise tells us that all detailed interest is concentrated in the back. We find everything from bows, bustles and tucks on your afternoon dresses to loose box pleats and shiny gold buttons on your skirts and sport dresses.

The "new look" seems to be here to stay for a while. The skirts are still twelve inches from the floor or longer according to one's own individual taste. They are being full (very full, that is), but the straight, slimming, pencil skirt is still holding its own. The newest thing in skirts, however, is our mother's and grandmother's hobble skirt. It is really a first cousin to the straight style, but with fullness accentuating the hipline.

Corduroy is with us again, made into sport blouses, dresses or suits. And speaking of suits, they're more

the wheel if you can't help the wheel go 'round. True, a Sodalist has a regular daily routine to which she must conform. But along with that effort we make in putting "first things first," there's always the satisfaction that Our Blessed Lady is pleased with our attempts.

We have many big plans coming up this year, but we need enthusiastic rooters as well as honest-to-goodness workers to make our "Mary-GO-Round." How about coming along with us—it'll be a grand ride if you do!



MEMOS FROM THE MESDAMES

by Jane and Jody

"Perhaps you are wondering who we are. Well, for the benefit of the 'newer' Websterites and all of W. C., allow us to introduce ourselves; my friend, Madame La Znoop and your humble servant, I am Madame La Gaz Zip. We've been busily rushing to classes, meeting new friends and greeting old acquaintances."

"By the way, Madame La Znoop, have you met 'new girl' Pattie Whittington? She's quite fond of English. Might say eager! She's gone and bought a Shakespeare book. How eager can you be? She isn't even signed up for the course!"

"Madame La Gaz Zip, I hadn't heard about that yet, but I did see Mary Lou Rausch trying to dance like some of her Texas chums. As soon as Mary Lou loses her limp she's sure her modern dancing classes will be helpful to her."

"I hope she doesn't suffer too much, Madame La Znoop. Speaking of suffering, ask Marg Carroll and Joan Smiedeskamp to tell you the bare facts of their unhappy

episode at the dock one dark night."

"Alright, Madame La Gaz Zip, and have you met a girl who sells pencils? She's in the junior class and I think they call her Keefie."

"Pencil selling, hm? Well, that's one occupation, but Peg Mason has an easier one. She keeps Sister Mary Louise from getting 'lonesome.'"

"Well, Madame La Gaz Zip, it takes all kinds of people to make this world of ours go 'round. Like Jackie Brookshire and Jo Ceresia who commuted between Webster and St. Louis and still didn't get their pictures taken!"

"Are you sure they tried hard enough, Madame La Znoop? I know a girl who doesn't care to have her picture taken just now. It seems the cold wave wasn't so hot for Mary Ellen Kelley. You know the saying about 'Fuzzy-Wuzzy'?"

"Ah, yes, Madame La Gaz Zip. And she was such a nice girl, too."

"Madame La Znoop, my nomination of the week goes to a talented dancer. I suggest that the future

beautiful than ever, fashioned with a full skirt and snug fitting jacket which is nipped in to hug that tiny waistline. Maybe you prefer the straight skirt with the box or flared-back jacket. The jackets are so tricky this year, the beloved box, double-breasted jacket has a new twist in the charming Quaker collar and the fitted long torso jacket is now buttoned down the side front. Tops on the material hit parade are the whispering faille, the rustling tafeta and the soft, silent wool crepe.

Mr. Clockwise tells us to watch closely for the knitted suits, another bright note of winter fashion. (You knitters can really get busy on these.)

A touch of the Scotch Highland has been inserted in the jaunty shawl worn over one shoulder and matching that gay, plaid skirt.



NIGHT NOTES

We hated to intrude upon Made-moiselle in her boudoir, but we're glad we did. Her long night gowns, Tommy coats and tailored, initialed PJs were made for sweet dreams. A clever idea in lounging comfort is a pair of plaid wool trousers topped by a white flannel coat with matching plaid trim. We also saw a pair of delightfully soft, pink flannel foot warmers or booties that button up to the ankle.

Hmmmm, solid comfort. Good night!

Dr. Donovan Departs For Germany

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"These principles include respect for the dignity of the individual, the right of private property, freedom of conscience, loyalty to one's government, and co-operation with other nations in establishing peace."

Upon completion of his work Dr. Donovan indicated that he would probably be asked to compile a report of his observations with recommendations to be acted upon.

A native of Rockland, Mass., Dr. Donovan is a graduate of Boston College (A. B.) and Harvard University (A. M.) and received his doctorate at St. Louis University. He was recently elected vice-chairman of the Conference of College Presidents of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools which met at the University of Minnesota. He is a former president of the Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems.

musicale directors keep their eye on tap dancer deluxe — Miss Jo Fields!"

"Well, kids, your two reporters are off to make plans for the big game this coming Friday. St. Louis U. vs. Missouri. Love those football players (and rooters!)."

## THE WEB GOES TO A BASEBALL GAME



Websterites chat with members of the St. Louis Browns Baseball Team during pre-game practice. Left to right: Mary Fran King, Angela Donati, Joann Boone, Outfielder Al Zarilla, Second Baseman Gerry Priddy, and Outfielder Dick Kokos.

Webster and baseball are synonymous only insofar as the venerable Noah Webster makes mention of the latter item in his epic, the dictionary. Nevertheless, some of the broader (in the intellectual sense) Webster girls have reached out past the cultural world of bridge and have caught the baseball fever. These intellectually curious people were recently given an opportunity to meet members of the St. Louis Browns at Sportsman's Park. It goes without saying that they took advantage of the opportunity.

Mr. Charles DeWitt, traveling secretary of the American League Club, met Joann Boone, Jackie Brookshire, Jo Ceresia, Angela Donati and Mary Frances King, members of the five-member Webster Baseball Fanatics, Inc., and introduced them to Dick Kokos, Gerry Priddy and Al Zarilla. For the unintellectually curious, an elucidation is here in order. The names Kokos, Priddy and Zarilla stand for three MAJOR LEAGUE (a fact Joann Boone could not get over) players, members of the Browns.

Dick Kokos, twenty, is an outfielder and youngest man on the Brownie squad. This is Dick's first year in the majors and he has been named one of the three most promising rookies of the year by Connie Mack. If you ask Dick about it, though, all he will say is, "Connie's a swell guy," which itself is an understatement. Asked if he thought today's game would be a big one, the little boy with the big sense of humor predicted a crowd of thirty thousand: "Twenty-nine thousand on passes and one thousand paid." The failure of the Brownies to draw big attendances is almost legendary.

Although he is Dick's roommate, Gerry Priddy is the exact opposite of the buoyant outfielder. Gerry has been in baseball twelve years and is having one of his best years with the Browns. At the time of the interview he had become a father for the second time "as of seven days ago." Asked what he does during the winter Gerry replied, "Hunt and fish." This brought some mumbled remark about "high salaries" from

Dick Kokos, but you could see he smiled when he said it. Dick, incidentally, is considering entering St. Louis University this fall to take courses in Physical Education.

The man with the highest average on the Brownie team, Al Zarilla, is another veteran who rejoined the Browns after he got out of the service. He and Bobby Dillinger, third baseman, were the only two regulars left after the Browns sold so many players last winter. Everybody calls Al Zeke-Sneak or just plain Zeke. Like Gerry Priddy, he comes from Los Angeles and likes to hunt and fish, too.

When the interviews were completed, Mr. DeWitt asked the Websterites to be his guests at the game with Boston Red Sox which followed immediately. Although the girls were very disappointed that the Brownies had to lose, they will never forget the wonderful time they enjoyed. The old saying "One, two, three strikes, you're out!" may be true, but as far as the St. Louis Browns are concerned it's "One, two, three cheers, you're in!" with the Misses of W. C.!

### Joan Mazzoni Names Committees For Loretta Hall

Joan Mazzoni, Hall President, announced the appointment of the following committees at the first regular boarders' meeting:

Fine Arts Committee — Selma Moosey, chairman, Jean Mattingly, and Mary Sarisini; Activities Committee—Mary Agnes Doyle, Loretta Reynolds, and Thelma Massery.

Ann Keefer was selected as head of the Spiritual Committee and Pete Porbeck was appointed editor of "Etcetera", a monthly publication whose purpose is to bring to mind announcements that have been previously made, and to give pointers on courtesy and order.

Kathy O'Malley and Mary Ellen Kilker are in charge respectively of collecting the boarders' fee and selling chapel veils.

At this meeting the Chair also announced that the new reading room, located next to the Pink Room, will soon be open. Issues of current events magazines, a record player and classical records will be the main features of this room, which will be furnished along the same style as the Pink Room.

The public address system, which will soon be completely installed in Loretta Hall, will be used to

page girls in each hall, instead of using the phone as has been done up to now, the Hall President also announced.

### Marge Carroll Dance Chairman

Margaret Carroll, member of the senior class, has been named chairman of the fall formal. This dance is the first formal dance of the year, and it will be held at the Starlight Roof of the Chase Hotel the night of Nov. 5.

It has not yet been decided which orchestra will provide the musical background, announced Kelly Carroll, who is in charge of the music.

Other committees appointed for the dance are: Anne O'Bryan, programs; and Joan Schmiedeskamp, Betty Shaw and Phyllis Reilly, bids.

The WEB extends its deepest sympathy to Lucy Lee, sophomore, on the death of her grandfather, to Winifred Foy, sophomore, on the death of her grandmother, and to Mary Agnes Coyle, senior, on the death of her grandmother.

### W. C. Upperclassmen Hold Elections

The Senior and Junior classes held elections of officers at their first meeting. Since the presidents were chosen last May, only the following were elected: senior vice president, Marg Fillo; secretary, Anita Kopf, and treasurer, Marty Unser.

Junior officers are: vice president, Mary Ann Julius; secretary, Sammie Norris, and treasurer, Pat Cronin.

### Library Group Visits Gallery

At a meeting of the Library Association held last Sunday in the Webster College Auditorium, Sister Mary Joseph gave a talk on the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors. After the meeting, the guests visited the Gallery where they saw the manuscripts of Gallery members, and had some refreshments.

Kathy O'Malley, Alice Mary Casey, Priscilla McCann, Wini Foy and Carol Fowler, members of the sophomore class, helped to serve the refreshments.

**SOCIABLE SUSIE IS COMING!**

### Former Austrian Among Speakers at Assembly Programs

The first of the President's Convocations for the year '48-9 was held September 27. At this assembly the introduction of the new members of the faculty as well as new student officers took place.

This year the policy for the Monday Assembly has been changed. There will be only one guest speaker a month. The remaining meetings will consist of student programs, faculty programs, and class meetings.

On October 4 Dr. William A. Fitzgerald will address the student body on "The Value of the Library in Catholic College Life."

The meeting of October 11 will consist of a class meeting. Details on this new project were not available.

A student program sponsored by the Catholic Student Mission Crusade will be the subject matter for the assembly on October 18.

Kurt Schuschigg, Ph.D., former Chancellor of Austria, will speak to the students on October 25 on "Central Europe — Yesterday and Today." Doctor Schuschigg is at present a member of the faculty of St. Louis University.

### Four Tea Dances Open Social Season at W. C.

Webster College will hold four tea dances during the month of October. Each class will sponsor a separate dance. Formerly these dances were restricted to boarders, but this year both boarders and day-hops will be included.

The dates for the dances are: the junior dance, Friday, October 8;

### Mass of Holy Ghost Offered on Sept. 24

The scholastic year of Webster College opened formally on Friday, September 24 with the celebration of the Mass of the Holy Ghost by the Rev. William D. Casey, C. M. Father Casey has been appointed official Chaplain of Webster for the coming year. He will succeed Father Cortleyou who has been appointed Chaplain at Mercy Motherhouse.

In his sermon Father O'Casey explained the marks of an educated man. He stressed particularly the necessity of religion and thought as the outstanding qualities of a well-educated man.

### NFCCS Resumes Radio Poll

The following, in question and answer form, is for the purpose of answering anticipated questions concerning the Radio Acceptance Poll:

**Q. What is the Radio Acceptance Poll?**

**A.** The Radio Acceptance Poll—or RAP—just what the name implies. It is for the purpose of enabling college students to determine the acceptability of noteworthy radio programs.

**Q. Why should the acceptability of radio programs be determined?**

**A.** Because radio is the most powerful means of mass audience appeal and because some radio programs have a tendency to resort to low burlesque type of entertainment.

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the freshman dance, Sunday, October 17; the sophomore dance, Sunday, October 24; and the senior dance, Friday, October 29.

## FACULTY CHANGES ANNOUNCED

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after a two year period at Loretta Heights to assume a teaching position in the history department.

Because of a decision to restrict the priests of Kenrick Seminary to teaching exclusively in their own school, the Reverend Fathers Bayard, Cortelyou, Cahill and Guyot have withdrawn from the faculty. Consequently, these additions have been made to the religious faculty: the Rev. Francis Doyle, assistant at Immaculata Parish; the Rev. Robert J. Schwelg, assistant at Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish; the Rev. Edwin J. Burmeister, assistant at St. Joseph's Parish.

In the division of Letters and Fine Arts, there are two new instructors in the English Department, Miss Canascia Duncan and Miss Muriel Hoogstraet. Miss Duncan formerly taught at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, while Miss Hoogstraet received her degree from Webster College last spring, and is now doing graduate work at St. Louis University.

Mr. Carl Madlinger, well-known teacher in the St. Louis area, is now among the personnel in the music conservatory as an instructor in piano.

Mr. George Schaeffer of St. Louis is teaching a course in Liturgical chant which is being offered this year. Mr. Schaeffer is also working with Monsignor Hellreigel, of Holy Cross Parish, in Baden.

Miss Alice Harper, graduate of Washington University, is instructing in the art department. Until this time, Miss Harper has given private lessons in the St. Louis area.

Miss Herminia Aguero of Cuba, more recently of the Berlitz School of Languages in Baltimore, Md., is an instructor in the Spanish department.

A course in Speech for Elementary Teachers is being given by Miss Jeanne Higgins, a member of the graduating class of last year. Miss Higgins is also studying in the graduate school at St. Louis University.

From Orange, New Jersey, comes Miss Magdalen Fullum, who will teach various courses in the division of Social Studies. Miss Fullum is an instructor in the secondary education department, and will also teach a sociology course and an English course.

An assistant librarian, Mrs. Nelke Mooney, will assist Sister Clotilde and Sister Mary Joseph this year in their respective positions. Mrs. Mooney comes to Webster from the library of the School of Commerce and Finance at St. Louis University.

Miss Jeannette Gund, physical education instructor, is a graduate of Lindenwood College, and the University of Iowa. Miss Gund has taught for the past two years at the Convent of the Sacred Heart in this city.

There are three additions to the teaching staff in the division of mathematics and science. Miss Frances McCurdy is teaching in both the chemistry and biology labs. Previous to her appointment at Webster College, Miss McCurdy taught at the University of Louisville. Mr. Frederick Gormley, instructor in chemistry, is from Nova Scotia. In addition to his duties here in the chemistry department, Mr. Gormley is a candidate for his doctorate at Washington University.

Dietetics courses are being taught by Miss Anna Heiss. Miss Heiss held the position of dietician at New York Hospital before her acceptance of the position of instructor in dietetics at Webster.

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## Six Elected To '48-'49 Who's Who

The annual Who's Who Elections were held here again at Webster College. Those named by the faculty this year are: Veronica Murphy, a junior, who is our present Student Government Vice-President; Angela Donati, a junior, who is editor of the Laurentanum and associate editor of The Web, and Virginia Stack, a senior, who is senior alternate delegate to the National Federation of Catholic College Students.

Those elected by the Student Body are: Chautz Baumgarten, a senior, who was last year's chairman of Webster's Musicales, "The Mardi Gras"; Peggy Mason, a senior, who is now Regional Chairman of the National Student's Association, and Joan Mazzoni, hall president and also a member of the senior class.

Others who have been elected to Who's Who, and are still students at Webster are Rosemarie Saner, Betty Lou Taylor, and Mary Margaret Hoffman.

Each year the faculty, as well as the students nominate those girls who are qualified to be ranked among Who's Who in Catholic Colleges and Universities. Only juniors and seniors are eligible to be nominated, and the requisites required for each nominee are: integrity, leadership, scholarship, co-operation, and interest in a diversity of school activities.

## Regional N. S. A. Group To Convene Here

A Regional meeting of the National Students' Association will be held at Webster College, Saturday and Sunday, November 13, 14. Peggy Mason, chairman of the Region which includes Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri, announced to students at the college the purposes of the meeting, as follows: to set up regional organizations, to elect officers, to discuss definite projects and to amend the Constitution if necessary. Representatives will be present from the following colleges: Doane College, Crete, Nebraska; Fontbonne College, St. Louis; Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas; Kansas State Teacher's College, Pittsburg, Kansas; Mary Mount College, Salina, Kansas; Maryville College, St. Louis; and Mount Saint Scholastica, Atchison, Kansas. A group of students from Kansas University will also attend the meeting to observe proceedings.

## S. P. C. Interviews Students On Campus

The mobile unit of the Social Planning Council of St. Louis visited the Webster College campus on Monday, October 11.

This unit, led by Chairman Mrs. Chester Volkman, plans to visit every campus of colleges in the St. Louis area in order to recruit three hundred girls for volunteer work in community centers. These centers number approximately twenty-five. Among the various places one could volunteer to work were: settlements, Y's, day camps, scout centers, and playgrounds.

The three women representatives gave a personal interview to each girl, trying to find her special interests and qualifications and to place her in one of the centers that would interest her. Each girl volunteers two or three hours every week or every other week.

## Mary Lee Holland To Represent Webster At Harvest Festival

Members of Our Lady's Sodality Webster College elected Mary Lee Holland, junior, as their candidate for Sodality Union Harvest Festival Queen, at their regular meeting held Friday, October 15, at 1 p. m., in the auditorium.

Candidates for Queen are entered by the Sodalities of St. Louis University and the corporate colleges. The entrant whose organization collects the greatest amount of money is crowned Queen.

The crowning will take place in the St. Louis University Gym on November 12. The deadline for getting the money in will be at 10 p. m. on that night. Two years ago Webster's candidate, Carolyn Johnson, was crowned queen, and last year, Webster was second.

## "Earnest" Cast Chosen; Play To Be Nov. 18-20

Webster's first dramatic production of the season, "The Importance of Being Earnest", by Oscar Wilde, will be given on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 18, 19 and 20. The play is under the direction of Miss Margaret Speer.

Try-outs for the play were held on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 19 and 20. The cast is as follows: Lady Bracknell—Rose Marie Saner (senior); Gwendolyn Fairfax—Rita Krebs (freshman); Cecily Cardew — Betty Lou Taylor (senior); Miss Prism—Betty Compton (freshman); Mrs. Lane—Joan Hoogstraet (freshman); Maid—Mitzi Catanzaro (sophomore).

Rehearsals will begin immediately. The play will be given in the Webster College Auditorium.

## LORETTO DAY PROGRAM ATTRACTS LARGE CROWD

On Sunday afternoon, October 17, Loretto Day, an annual event sponsored by the Loretto Foundation under the direction of Mr. Rudolph Hoogstraet, president of the Foundation. The program for the afternoon included a student panel discussion and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed by a tea and reception.

Loretto Day originated nearly 20 years ago as a means of creating and maintaining a common bond of interest among students of Loretto schools and their parents. It is a special day set aside in October when the Sisters of Loretto of Saint Louis are at home at Webster College to their alumnae, friends, present students, and parents.

This year the Loretto Day program in the auditorium opened with a brief talk on the Commu-

ity Chest by Father Leo Byrne, who is in charge of Archdiocesan Charities in Saint Louis. A choral group of Nerinx Hall students then presented a musical selection.

Following this, students of Webster College presented a panel discussion on the Christian home under the direction of Sister Felicia. Miss Betty Lou Taylor was chairman of the panel. Discussion leaders and their topics were as follows: Ginny Stack, Marriage and the Home; Helen Pearson, Religious Life in the Home; Mary Frances King, Vocation of Single Life and the Home; Alice Mary Casey, Work and the Home; Joyce Voss, Prayer and the Home; and Dorothy Mullally, Lay Apostolate and the Home. After the panel the floor was declared open for discussion. To conclude the program Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by Father Peter Sattler, C. S. R., in the Webster College Chapel of All Saints.

The Superiors and other Sisters of Loretto schools in the city, assisted by the college students then received their guests at the informal reception in Loretto Hall. Tea was served by Miss Anna Heiss, head of the dietetics department, and her students.

A special effort was made during this year's Loretto Day to photograph students of Nerinx Hall, Loretto Academy, and Webster College whose parents were also educated by Sisters of Loretto.

In conjunction with Loretto Day, an original skit was presented by the Webster College Radio Workshop over station WEW, Saturday, October 15, at 2:30 P. M. Participants in the skit were: Margaret Fillo, Dorothy Mullally, Joan Krebs, Carole Rogles, and Helen Jablonski.

## Sister Mary Louise Gives Series of Lectures

Sister Mary Louise, professor of English and head of the department at Webster College, began a series of lectures on various religious and scholastic topics on October 11 before the Catholic Woman's League, Glendale.

On October 22 Sister addressed the Parent-Teacher's Association of St. Rose's Parish, St. Louis. On November 1 she will lecture to the students of Ursuline College, Paola, Kansas. A phase of Shakespeare's works will comprise the subject matter of this address.

The Mother's Club of Ursuline Academy, Kirkwood, will hear Sister on November 2. On November 15 she will address the Catholic Woman's League of St. Joseph's Parish, Clayton.

In addition to her lecture work, Sister Mary Louise was chosen to represent the Radio Committee of the National Council of Teachers of English at the School Broadcast Conference to be held at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

## MEMBERS OF STUDENT PANEL



Left to right: Helen Pearson, Mary Fran King, Betty Lou Taylor, chairman, Ginny Stack, Joyce Voss and Dorothy Mullaly. Absent, Alice Mary Casey.

## Heights Students To Arrive Oct. 29

In accordance with the Webster-Loretto Heights Sister College program, twelve students of Loretto Heights College in Denver, Colorado, will visit Webster College the week-end of October 29-November 1. The twelve representatives will meet with Webster students in three Loretto Intercollegiate Conferences during their visit. The purpose of these conferences, held annually, is to compare systems of Student Government, and to collaborate on ideas regarding the following college organizations: National Student Association, National Federation of Catholic College Students, and Student War Relief. Plans for the week-end will also include an informal tea, a dinner at Green Parrot, the Skating Vanities, and Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen's lecture at Kiel Auditorium, Sunday night, October 31.

The visiting students from Loretto Heights are Betty Thieler, Elizabeth Jay, Catherine Murray, Pat Doyle, Betty Hindman, Vicki Kingsley, Margie Howard, Ruth Wernimont, Pat Crawford, Dorothy Whelan, Pat Sander, and Pat Dolan. They will be accompanied by Sister Eileen Marie and Sister Jean Carmel.

Have You Seen What Is In Room 233?

## ACSS Holds Chapter Meeting Here Oct. 2

The St. Louis Chapter of the American Catholic Sociological Society held its first fall meeting at Webster College, Saturday afternoon, October 2.

Acting chairman of the meeting was Dr. William E. Van Taay, professor of Sociology at Fontbonne College. Speaking at this panel discussion were Mr. G. D. Brantley, A. M., principal of Sumner High School, Mrs. Robert Crossen, past chairman of the St. Louis Racial Institute and of the Y. W. C. A. Board, and a member of the Mayor's Race Relations Committee, and Dr. A. N. Vaughn, M. S., a director of the Social Planning Council of St. Louis and St. Louis County and a member of both the Pine Street Y.M.C.A. and the Urban League.

The subject discussed at this meeting was "Negro Relations in St. Louis", including the health and housing aspects of the situation.

Mr. Brantley, who is mainly concerned with the education of the Negro, clearly stated his views on non-segregated education. Both Negroes and "whites" are American citizens, therefore, should have equal rights and opportunities. Mr. Brantley pointed out that Negro students have little incentive to receive an education. Why this situation exists is self-evident. Negroes are not accepted in any of the important positions that can be had; therefore, the logical an-

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## Student-Directed Plays To Be Presented

Students from the Directing class, under supervision of the Dramatics Department, will present the first in a series of three one-act plays next Thursday evening, October 28th, at 8:00 p. m. They are: Betty Lou Taylor, Ann Michenfelder and Pat Paul, and have selected, respectively; "The Hour Glass", by Wm. Butler Yeats; "The Gaol Gate", by Lady Gregory; and "Crown For Mary", by Mae Howley Barry. These productions are student directed, with student assistance on cast and crew.

The next two groups of plays will be presented some time in early December and January by other members of the Directing class.

## MEN'S CLUB CALENDAR, '48-'49

Calendar of Men's Club of Webster College — Nerinx Hall Meetings are held on 4th Tuesday of Month at 8:00 o'clock

- October 26, 1948— Freshman Fathers and Faculty Night.
- November 23, 1948—Thanksgiving Turkey Dinner
- December 14, 1948—Christmas Stag Party
- January 25, 1949—Sophomore Fathers Night
- February 21, 1949—Fathers and Daughters Party. Sheraton-Coronado
- March 22, 1949—Junior Fathers Night
- April 26, 1949—Senior Fathers Night
- May 24, 1949—Installation of New Officers

## The Sum Total of Ads

"It pays to advertise" is a slogan that movie producers have found to be very efficacious. Advertising arouses interest, and interested people usually take some sort of action to satisfy themselves.

Interest in good motion pictures, books, plays aroused by the stimulus of good advertisement is a commendable thing. Curiosity, an instinctive "wanting to be in the know", can be a silent force of character degradation. A healthy curiosity ruled by good judgment does not put silver into the already overstuffed pockets of producers of immoral movies.

When we see a particular Hemingway ad luridly staring up from a magazine page, we wonder how many people will see that show. It is probable that millions will; for they see it advertised so much that when it comes to their local cinema they say, "Oh, that's the picture I've heard so much about. I must see it."

Almost unconsciously, when something has been built up to the public, the people believe it to be just that—a done-up-in-red-white-and-blue production; and when they see it they believe that the ad was right; the idea has been entrenched in their heads.

A few noble souls will refuse to see a show they know glorifies crime and sin. A few will dislike such a movie if they do see it, but refuse to admit it because they don't want to be the one who is out of step. It takes a real spinal cord to refuse to do what the crowd wants to do, to not say, "Well, everyone else is doing it." But remember the story about the boy in the parade who was the only one out of step. His proud mother turned to the general and said, "You know, General, every one is out of step but my Johnny."

Maybe the Blessed Mother looks down on us that same way and is proud to know that it is the crowd and not us who are out of step:

## Prejudice vs. Charity

Two weeks ago at Student Government Assembly we saw an animated cartoon which cleverly illustrated the advantages of World Brotherhood. Any intelligent person realizes almost immediately the pernicious effects of racial and religious prejudices. Such bigotry and narrow-mindedness nullifies nation's progress toward world betterment. Although many people are fully aware of this situation, they are not big enough to practice the tenets of world brotherhood because they are imbued with the false philosophical values so prevalent in the world today.

Catholics are very fortunate in this regard. They know the reasons behind World Brotherhood—namely the doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ. They realize that Christ is Head of the Mystical Body, and that we, regardless of creed or color are members of It. Meditation on the doctrine cannot help but increase our desire to strive with instead of against our fellowman in the spirit of true Christian endeavor.

Catholics, who know the full import of this doctrine fail seriously against the virtue of charity when they do not do, all in their power to live and promulgate it. On the other hand we, ever mindful of the Mystical Body, realize whatever we do to our brethren we are doing to Christ. Is this not a terrifying thought? Yes, it is, but only when our actions deprive our fellow men of inalienable rights; when our deeds are those which manifest love and tolerance, this thought brings the peace and contentment which are always present when supernatural merit has been gained!

## "My Vote"

"Me, vote! Why that's crazy. I don't know a thing about either party. Anyway, what difference does my vote make?"

What difference does your vote make? Have you ever stopped to think about the significance of everybody's "my vote"? In many cases your vote will be one of the deciding factors on important issues of state.

Indifference on Election Day is a failure to fulfill one's duty, a duty which is an honor and a privilege to perform. This privilege carries with it the responsibility to use our ballot intelligently.

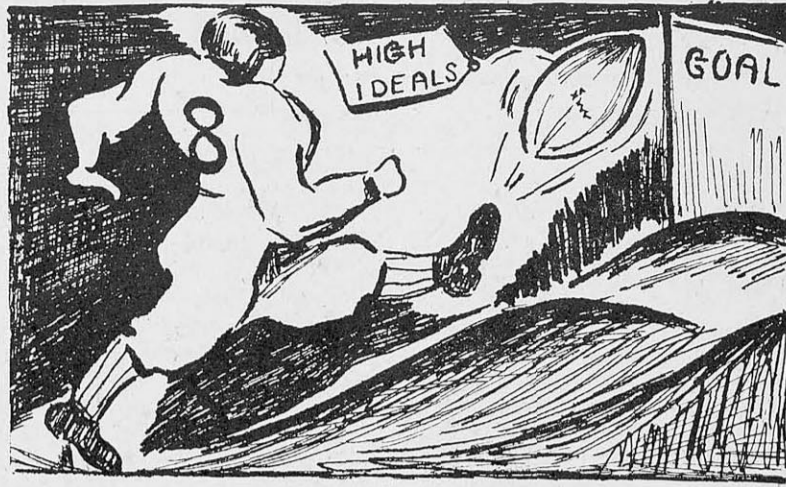
We are at a political crossroads. Our country is being torn by internal strife; labor and management are at ends, racial prejudice is at a fever pitch. Internationally the situation is such that only through prayer and able leadership will war be avoided.

American college students certainly should know the disastrous effects of indifferentism in modern politics. If they do not, perhaps a recollection of the conditions under the Communists in Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia will refresh their memory.

Voting is a comparatively recent privilege for women. Every American woman's ballot should be a vote cast for religious, social economic betterment. Who better than she from the standpoint of dignity, tact, and gentleness, knows the intricacies of social legislation?

Regardless of party preferences, pray that you will chose correctly on November 2. If the results of the elections disappoint you personally, transfer your support to the man whom the majority believes the most competent.

Again we urge you to use your ballot. Elections are won with "my votes." Failing to vote is personal negligence which has national and international repercussions.



## Notre Dame and You

Dear Editor:

You have undoubtedly heard of Notre Dame. It is a University in Indiana. It has a football team. It also has a student body. This student body is made up of 5,000 males. They are a wierd lot. They are so wierd that we need help in classifying them. So we are conducting a survey. We want to know what college girls think of Notre Dame men.

We are asking them to write us letters on the subject: THE TYPICAL NOTRE DAME MAN. We do not care if the girls writing us have never met an ND student. Let these fortunates use their imagination. We just want a whole mess of letters and opinions on the subject.

Here is where you come in. The only way we can let the girls know what we want is through your papers. You are our only source of publicity on this survey. Give us a break. Tell the girls all about this. Here's the way it works:

Letters can be of any length. They may be serious or otherwise.

The best of them will be printed in The SCHOLASTIC along with the author's picture if same is inclosed in PRINTABLE CONDITION.

All letters should be addressed to: SURVEY, Notre Dame SCHOLASTIC, 118 Main Building, Notre Dame, Indiana.

The more letters the better. And we'll always feel a warm spot in our pulsing, little hearts for you if you give us a break and print a few lines about this thing. Write a letter yourself—if you feel the spirit.

GREG HALPIN, Feature Editor,  
Notre Dame SCHOLASTIC

EDITOR'S NOTE: All entries will be handled cheerfully through The WEB office. How about a 100 per cent response!

## Efficiency of Our School "Belles" *By Jeanne and Jane Higgins*

Remember all the excitement in the Education Department last year? "What did you observe today?" or "I wonder where I'm going to do my Student Teaching?" After all twelve of the Education minors were placed, the conversation changed just a little. "You should have seen my students today; they were so good!" Well, we had twelve enthusiastic teachers in the various fields, but how many are teaching now? Let's look up some of those letters that we almost threw away because they had been answered long ago.

Marilyn Hayes is teaching music and Band at a high school in White Plains, Ill. Marilyn's only problem was discipline, at first. But who wouldn't have that with boys six feet tall, and Marilyn as small as she is? Apparently she ruled with an iron hand because there is no complaint now. In fact, one young gentleman, 6'3", had offered to take care of any of the "problem children", as only boys know how to do.

A letter from Eileen Feeney says that her History and English classes, in Loretto Academy, Kansas City, Mo., are fine. As most teachers will, Eileen says she will never forget her first class. After a forty-minute lecture, one of the girls came up to her and said, "Miss Feeney, the seams in your stockings are crooked." Eileen was on the receiving end of that learning situation.

Jackie Markway was so busy, a quick phone call was all we could manage. She is running from school to home, teaching Social Studies to the seventh and ninth grades of Normandy School. She works in a meal somehow, and usually returns to school for a P. T. A. meeting. Jackie's problem? The boys! But they are learning—the hard way.

Dot Schulte has a comfortable surroundings for her classroom. She teaches private piano lessons

in her home. She may teach in one of the schools of Music next semester.

Lucy Murphy is teaching French, English and Speech to high school students in Forrest, Ill. Along with all this, she works as moderator of the school's literary publications. She is living in an apartment with two other teachers, and likes it very much.

Louise Vitt teaches kindergarten at Moline School, in Ferguson. Through our phone calls with Louise, we learned that her biggest problem is keeping her voice. Teaching all day is quite a strain on one's vocal chords. "You know me," she said, "I love to talk, but when I come home at night, I have no desire to say anything. I'm hoarse!"

Barbara Luechtefeld is doing her graduate work at St. Louis University. She is teaching one class in Public Speaking and taking nine hours of graduate work. She has her own office. Congratulations Barbara! Barbara is also busy practicing for the University production "Arsenic and Old Lace."

Mary Kay Wombacher has the

## Five Arts Award, Inc., Sponsors Writing Contest for Students

The National Five Arts Award, Inc., a non-profit organization, designed to discover, aid and stimulate creative writing in the Colleges and Universities in the United States, has announced the first of its annual contests for its Awards and Fellowships totalling one hundred thousand dollars.

Open to all writers, the contests are primarily for new, college age writers in the fields of the full length play, the radio script, the popular song, the screen original, the short story and short short. There are six cash awards in each category, a \$2,000 first prize, a \$1,000 second prize, and four prizes of \$500 each. In addition, and in a special effort to obtain recognition and financial assistance for young writers, \$70,000 of the total Awards will be granted in the form of 140 Fellowships of \$500 each.

The Fellowships, like the cash prizes, will be awarded on the basis of merit alone, rather than age or academic degrees, and will be granted to writers of talent and promise. Further, such writers may use the Fellowship money in whatever manner will best further their writing careers for it is not conditioned upon project outlines or specific writing or study commitments.

third, fourth and fifth grades at Fenton School. Mary Kay is probably as big as her students—almost. Her greatest problem? Getting to school on time. She still hasn't changed.

Anne Stull has confined her efforts, for the present, to an occasional story hour for neighboring children. However, she expects to go into the classroom after the first of the year.

And last but not least, my co-worker, Jeanne Higgins, has returned to Webster again. But this time she is on the other side of the desk. Jeanne is teaching in the Education department here at school and in the Dramatics department at Nerinx. She says her most difficult undertaking is moving from place to place. "I'm just comfortable and it's time to move."

And here our letters end. But with such enthusiastic responses, we know that our student teachers are thankful for their years at Webster and for the chance to share their experiences with us.

Elaine Krueger and Jane O'Hara where are you? Let us hear from you!

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# Our Town - By Betty Lou Taylor

We all have a town we more or less call our own. It may be the place where we were born—it may be an adopted town we've learned to love. Perhaps it's a bustling, smoking city—or a humble soft-spoken village. Be it large or small it is something that has become a part of us. It's our home town . . . cherished, loved, bragged about.

Our town here at Webster is only a one-streeter, yet it has the self-importance and scurry of a thriving metropolis. It is a mecca of glazed donuts, negatives to be reprinted, shoes to be re-soled and double-dip ice cream cones. Local color is further supplied by eager boy scouts selling peanut brittle, sweet faced church ladies promoting chances on a Chrysler or Studebaker, an overworked traffic cop, an occasional carnival held in the parkway, besides the usual cluster of baby carriages, bicycles, and high school kids.

We call our town "Old O"—short for Old Orchard, that is. Almost anytime of the day you can hear the cry resound throughout Loretto Hall, "Anybody going down to

Old O?" And somebody usually is. It doesn't take long to go through our town. In fact, if you don't look hard as you're passing down Big Bend you might miss it entirely. Call it a small opening in the road, if you like. But size doesn't matter—it's the things that go to make up a town like ours that really count.

Our town is made up of many funny places that seem to fit in so well with our life at Webster. There's the super-market where we buy our in-between snacks . . . Shattgen's where we go for cream puffs and candied apples . . . the Paint Pot that sees us through many a play or party by putting our bills on the cuff and being so patient about our debts . . . the Pharmacy men who charge only a smile for wrapping a box to be sent home, for cashing our "allowance" checks and for suggesting ways to cure a cold.

Then we have Webb's in our town—for birthday cards, films to be developed, gift wrappings, and all sorts of pretty knick-knacks. There's Velvet Freeze too, where we constantly go off our diets with

milk shakes, hot fudge sundaes and tubfuls. And who could ever overlook the Dry Goods Store that has everything in the world (if you can find it) and if they don't have what you're looking for you can always be sure of a good substitute. (What would our Basin Street Chorus line have done without black tee shirts?) What's more they give Eagle Stamps to boot.

Going down the line we come to many more interesting little places which we could never do without . . . namely the Shoe Repair man and Old O' Cleaners. Dunking donuts at the Wheel and Spoke has become a favorite pastime in our town and to top it all, they specialize in all sorts of delicacies to bring home as a "surprise" to your starving roommate or newly acquired little sister. Then there's Dale's who obligingly run off last minute play tickets, programs, and calling cards to enclose in our dance bids.

Yes, we all have a town we more or less call our own. It may not be the place in which we were born—it may not be a bustling, smoking city . . . but we as Websterites have learned to love our little town—that has so completely caught the Webster spirit.



## MEMOS FROM THE MESDAMES

by Jane and Jody

"Madame La Gaz Zip, it's been so long since I've seen you that it'll take ages for me to tell you all that's happened. This particular incident occurred so long ago, I'd best tell it first, 'for I forget.

"I went to take a little nourishment at noon a few weeks ago in the boarder's dining room and I chose to sit with Prisciller McCann and a few other interesting people. We were chit-chatting about many things — the precipitate formed when cadmium sulphate is boiled with gun powder, L'il Abner and the Schmoos Question, and the sale on Garter's Giggling Riffle Pills at the Pharmacy. Naturally you will be a bit shocked when you hear this since the conversation was so normal up to here. Prisciller McCann, with a most sympathetic look on her face in behalf of my little sister, asked the Dumb Freshman Question of the Year: 'Is your little sister a Freshman?' After briefing her briefly, the upper-classmen made a hasty getaway for Nova Scotia, fearing the next question uttered from those innocent lips might be something sensible!"

"That's right funny Madame La Znoop, but let me tell you what I ran up against the other day. Mary Ellen Kilker came up to pay a social call so I got out the silver service and we had a tea party (No, not the Boston tea party, and McCann wasn't there). Kilker glanced over on the desk, picked up a small statue of George Washington and asked, 'Is this Father Nerinx?' Have you been wondering who'll replace Lambert if he leaves?"

"Another thing Madame La Gaz Zip, you know that little Jeanne Shatsby? Well, that poor kid has been knitting for a whole week on a yellow sweater and she still hasn't managed to get across the first row as yet."

"Just so that little child keeps laughing, Madame La Znoop, I believe she'll hold out. But I'm a little worried about informal Vron Murphy. The elevator in Loretto Hall has been balking a bit lately and the repairman said it was due

to using the emergency brake too often. Now, I'll admit, that man does know a little bit more about elevating than I do, but I don't think he's right. I think our pompous little vice-president is the cause of it all. One day last week Vron got on the elevator on the fourth floor and stood there for some time pushing the button marked 4. When she discovered that the stubborn contraption just wasn't to be moved, she adjusted herself to borrowing a piece of paper from someone on four instead of crashing through to eight."

"I ask you Madame La Gaz Zip, how much longer can we be 'Down With Saner' if our own little vice-president is so dead set on going up? I suggest we let Miss Hoffman investigate the case to see if it's feasible."

"I'll tell you, Madame La Znoop, of another case for Hoffs's agenda. A certain young lady was prevailed upon to attend the formal by persistent salesgirls entrenched at the end of the colonnade. The sweet young thing asked if the dance was going to be on a Sunday afternoon and was informed that she was thinking of the tea dance, not the formal. The prospective buyer said then that she guessed her husband had received an invitation to a tea dance and not the prom; said she was just curious as to the kind of dance."

"I can't say that I blame her, Madame La Gaz Zip. Say, have you heard of Mary Dyer's latest ambition? She's going to don the uniform. It all came about in the Ivy Room. Miss Simmons walked over to a group of girls (Mary was included), and asked if anyone were free to help her carry trays. Mary was free and volunteered her services cheerfully. Miss Simmons left on an errand, leaving Mary in a quiet, pensive mood. She then announced that she would become a nurse! Isn't that grand, Madame La Gaz Zip?"

"It certainly is! I can just envision that tender bedside manner. But lest I be side-tracked Madame La Znoop I'd like to make a nomination of the week in behalf of the senior class. They have asked you, Madame La Znoop and me, Madame La Gaz Zip, to shine our highlight award upon Father Boland, moderator of the Sodality at C. and F., St. Louis University, and Sister Mary Louise, moderator of Webster's Sodality, for the grand opportunity they have given us in their newly formed Study Club. Congratulations and appreciations to you both!"

"Bye, now, Madame La Znoop. I'm off for 'Little Revelations' try-outs. Probably see you at the tea dance!"

clusively acquired service.

The new knit dresses have returned to the fashion picture with great importance as beautifully styled as any crepe or woolen and very wearable. We liked in particular the new ribbon knit, two-piece dress, the neckline rounded low and banded in gold to match the gold thread interwoven through the turquoise bodice, lovely for

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## Mary Go Round

by Rosemary Schmuck

At the beginning of this school year we had a very impressive two days filled with what was called the "Student-Faculty Institute." Here, we discussed the ways and means of achieving our goal, the Ideal Webster Girl, or a reasonable facsimile thereof. Later, the Resolutions Committee of the Institute drew up a set of resolutions, with each month set aside to the development of a particular phase of the I.W.G. and a suggested practice to reach that goal. This month is October, and is devoted to spiritual development. This month's suggested practice is "attendance at week-day Mass."

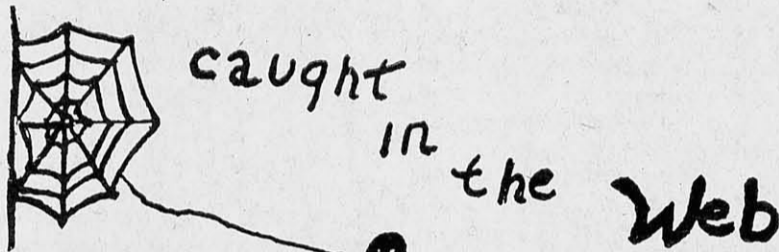
Now, this Resolutions Committee is an intelligent group of people. Notice, they didn't say "attendance at Mass" in their resolution. They particularly specified week-day Mass. Why? Isn't it true that the only Mass required of you specifically is the one on Sunday? Why are people getting so excited about going every day?

Well, the answer to these questions is, I think, quite obvious, and if it isn't, it should be. Too many of us are doing only that which is explicitly required of us. Too many of us are "Sunday Catholics." Oh, yes, we might say our daily prayers, make a novena now and then when we need something, and say grace before and after meals. We may do those things and more. But how inadequate they seem when placed beside the greatest form of worship in the world—the Sacrifice of the Mass!

In the Mass, Christ offers Himself to you, body and soul. Yet you like to sleep in the mornings. So does everyone else. But how much is that sleep worth when compared to assisting at Mass.

The Ideal Webster Girl is spiritually whole. She begins every day with Mass and Holy Communion. We may never be Ideal Webster Girls or even reasonable facsimiles thereof, but never let it be said that we didn't strive hard. Never let it be said that we prefer a half-hour's sleep to God.

The WEB extends its deepest sympathy to Thelma Massey on the death of her grandmother.



by Googan McVay

"I love the sun," Miss Aguero said, as she sat in the path of the sunlight, which was filtering through the window in the faculty study. "It's what gives me life," she added with a laugh. She talked to me in French for about ten minutes and it's too bad I have to translate because a language other than my own can give a

the Continent before the war. She received her doctorate in education in 1937 from the University of Havana. Then a scholarship gave her the opportunity to return to Europe. She studied at the University of Berlin in 1938, at the University of Geneva in 1939. When war broke out, she returned home. Miss Aguero has also given private instructions at the Berlitz School of Languages in Paris.

Webster is the first college in the United States at which Miss Aguero has taught. She likes to teach in one country and then another, but she wanted a Catholic college here, and it was through the National Catholic Welfare Conference that she came to Webster. She was impressed with the religious atmosphere and yet the freedom which we have; she says that in all the places she has taught it has not been so. Webster has been your first choice, Miss Aguero, and we hope the impression we have made on you makes you decide to stay with us a long time.

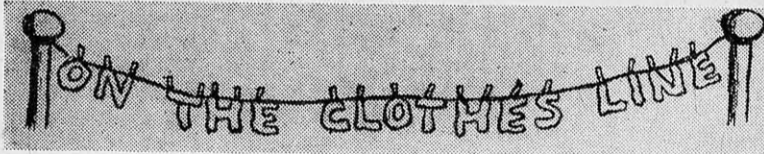


Miss Herminia Aguero

better picture of her life, which has been an experience in travel and foreign tongues.

Doubtlessly, there have been several Websterites born under other flags besides the Stars and Stripes, but Miss Herminia Aguero, Webster's new Spanish teacher, was born "under the Cuban flag" in a way in which she is especially proud. Her father was in the diplomatic service, stationed at the Cuban legation in Berlin, and she was born in the legation building itself.

She must have developed her love of travel from her early experiences as a daughter of a diplomat. When she was two years old, her father was transferred to Buenos Aires; then when she was seven they went to Cuba, her native land. She has travelled in Europe as well as South America, since she studied and taught on



by Mary Thornhill

Here's a scoop for Education minors only. We obtained these hot tips from a private showing of winter fashions for teachers. It would be very unkind to keep this limited to teachers alone so lend an ear all you girls.

With winter just around the corner we'd like to tell you first about the wonderful plaid great-coat which emphasizes the long loose lines slightly flared from the shoulders. Its collar is rounded and rolled around the face, a treatment that will be seen so frequently this season. To contrast with the straight lines, you will see the waisted silhouette, belted closely above a skirt with the controlled fullness, that is gentle and lovely. Borrowed from the Edwardian

period of the nineteenth century, when a touch of velvet was seen on every fine gentleman's coat, we found a black dress coat, buttoned high over folds of velvet on the bodice and closely fitted to the figure. Have you seen the black broadcloth, loose fitting coats with the trim of luxurious white ermine? They're beautiful.

We saw suits that had eye appeal plus, most of them very slender and fitted to the figure, making frequent use of small detail. The wonderful, long wearing tweeds, that we haven't seen for many seasons have returned along with wool flannels and that old standby, wool gabardine.

Teacher will certainly get an apple as would any fashion-wise mademoiselle if she heeds our ex-

## Les Benson Named Frosh Party Leader



Leslynn Benson

"Witch One" will be the theme of the Hallowe'en Party to be held Wednesday, October 27 in the Nerinx Cafeteria. Les Benson has been appointed chairman of the first freshman class activity of the school year.

Upperclassmen will receive their invitations to the annual event. Martha Abbott, chairman of the Invitations Committee, has announced that each girl will receive an invitation in the shape of a witch mounted on red paper.

Dolly Wittges and her aides on the Decoration Committee have decided to use a flame motif to decorate the cafeteria. An eerie atmosphere will be created through the use of black, red, and yellow crepe paper.

The entertainment for the evening will be provided by the "Ladies from Hades", a troupe whose services were engaged by Entertainment Committee Chairman Jean Kelley. Food Committee Head Joan Federer promised a surprise in little paper packages to be placed on the tables after the entertainment.

The Escort Committee is under the direction of Barbara Faure while the post-party Clean-Up Committee is headed by Mary Lou Cross.

Following the refreshments there will be dancing which will probably be in the form of a barn dance. Dress will be informal with skirts, blouses and sweaters in order.

## Classical Club Meets At St. Louis University

The St. Louis University Classical Club held its first general meeting on Sunday, October 24, at the University. For the year now opening, the general topic proposed is "Classical Portraits of the Ideal Ruler", an especially timely one during election year.

The meetings are under the supervision of Dr. W. D. Korfmacher, Faculty Adviser of the club and are open to students of the University and corporate colleges. Joan Krebs of Webster College is secretary of the organization.

## Alumnae Holds First Meeting Sunday, Oct. 24

The first business meeting of the Alumnae of Webster College was held Sunday, October 24 at 3 p. m. Tentative plans for the Christmas party were made at this meeting.

On October 9 a Month's Mine Mass was sung in the College chapel at the request of the Alumnae by the Sisters and students for Mr. Felix Pape, father of Thelma Pape Hines, a Webster alumna.

## FACULTY APPOINTS COMMITTEES

Faculty committee appointments for the present school year were made on October 13, 1948. These ten committees study the various administrative and departmental problems which arise during the year. The chairmen and the members of the various groups are as follows:

### Executive Committee

Sister Mariella, chairman; Sister Rose Maureen, Sister Francis Jane, Sister Alexander Marie, Sister Helen Clare.

### Steering Committee—Letters and Fine Arts

Sister Roberta, chairman; Sister Edwin Mary, Mrs. Brown.

### Steering Committee—Mathematics and Science

Sister Harriet, chairman; Sister M. Germaine, Miss McCurdy.

### Steering Committee—Mathematics Social Sciences

Miss Andrews, chairman; Sister Aubert, Miss Howell.

### Committee on Institutional Studies

Sister Francis de Sales, director; Sister Rose Maureen, Sister Roberta, Sister Harriet, Sister Felicia, Sister Edwin Mary, Miss Heiss, Miss Andrews.

### Educational Policies

Sister Francis Jane, chairman; Sister Mariella, Sister Rose Maureen, Sister Alexander Marie, Sister Adaline, Sister Francis de Sales, Sister Frederic.

### Library

Sister Helen Clare, chairman; Sister Clotire, Sister Germaine, Sister Rose Maureen, Mrs. Mooney.

### Discipline

Sister Francis Jane, chairman; Sister Mariella, Sister Rose Maureen, Sister Francis de Sales, Mrs. Barnicle.

## ACSS Meeting

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swer is that they see little reason for educating themselves. Other impediments which the Negro has to counteract are the overcrowded schools and need of teachers.

Dr. Vaughn, who has made an extensive study of health and housing situation of the Negro, gave a vivid description of the conditions which exist in the neglected, deteriorated sections of our city. Disease, infant mortality and other evils resulting from these conditions are prevalent.

Dr. Vaughn emphasized the fact that without proper housing, good health cannot prevail. Among the elements that constitute poor housing facilities are improper lighting, overcrowdedness, and inadequate plumbing. He also proceeded to quote statistics as to the ratio of tubercular cases existing in the slum areas to the cases in the better districts of our city.

Mrs. Crossen who spoke on racial injustice concerning the Negro in politics, stressed the negligence in various parts of the United States as well as in St. Louis in matters of voting, holding public office, etc. Because of the requirements in many sections of the country, Negroes are automatically denied the right to vote and to hold office. Among some of these requirements are property ownership and the Poll Tax.

The interesting and informative meeting conveyed true Christian principles upon which the world should be based.

### CORRECTION

The first issue of The WEB stated that Mrs. Clarence Mooney assisted Sister Mary Joseph in the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors. This is a mistake. Mrs. Mooney is assisting Sister Clotire in the library.

### Committee to Study Point System

Miss Heiss, chairman; Sister Aubert, Sister Helen Clare, Sister Helen Jean, Miss Gund.

### Committee to Study Social Activities

Mrs. Barnicle, chairman; Sister Francis Jane, Sister Francis Louise, Sister Mary Louise.

The above committees report periodically on the progress of their work before the general faculty meetings.

## Dr. Donovan Writes From Germany

Dear Sister Mariella,

Our stay in Germany is now at the end of the first week. The disembarkation at Bremerhaven, the railroad trip to Frankfurt, the auto journey from Frankfurt to Wiesbaden, and preliminary contacts with fellow personnel and billeting officials have been the main features engaging our attention so far.

There are many observations to make but one must be content with a few surface judgments. I would not want to make the mistake of writing a description involving the slightest idea of finality.

Inconveniences have been noticed but are not too troublesome. Heat is not yet available in many buildings even though the temperature has been in the 50's (Fahrenheit) during the past few days. Hot water is often delayed because of plumbing difficulties. Towels, sheets, and other linens are not in the Army stores at present. On the other hand food, light, and water do not constitute problems for Americans.

It is only natural to say a word about the German population. Here again I am aware of the weakness behind any statement I might make simply because I have not been in Germany long enough to assemble information upon which a reliable statement might be based. So what I have to write will be confined largely to eye-witness pictures.

On the streets, Germans are walking, operating bicycles and motorcycles, driving a few automobiles and a number of trucks. Almost every German from the little schoolboy to the aged merchant carries a bag of some description. They seem to be friendly, willingly stopping to answer questions and explain even in considerable detail some aspects of their city. German guards armed with rifles aid American Military Police similarly equipped in protecting public property. German men and women are found in practically all offices of the American Military Government. My own private secretary is a Frau Jutta Vater. Near our home and office are two beautiful churches, Evangelical and Catholic.

George F. Donovan

## On the Clothesline

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informal evening occasions.

The simple wool and crepe daytime dresses were our favorites, shown in bright greens and reds and the palest of pastels. There is a pared-down feeling about the clothes this year, a slim graceful silhouette with none of the bulk and billow of last fall. The fullness is controlled, created by inverted pleats, tucks and yokes that leave the waistline slim. Shoulderlines are soft and rounded over smaller pads. There was a tidy neatness that we liked very much.

Thanks so much for listening to us. Bye now.

## HERE AND THERE ON THE CAMPUS

### I. R. C. JOTTINGS

The International Relations Club of Webster College held its first meeting of the school year on October 12 at 7 p. m. in the Pink Room. It was an open meeting for all those interested in the club.

The topic for the meetings this year is the "International Role of Modern Governments" with special emphasis given to Socialism as exemplified in England, Communism in Russia, Fascism in Spain, Monarchism in Denmark, and Democracy in Switzerland. The speaker at the next meeting will be Rose Marie Saner.

The November meeting of the club will be concerned with the planning of the fourth annual International Relations Club Project. Twenty colleges and universities from this region have been invited to participate in the program. This meeting will be held on November 14 from one to five in the afternoon. All are invited to attend.

### MUSIC DEPARTMENT NOTES

Four music students presented a program at the Mother's Club Tea held in the Pink Room on October 4. Selma Moosey, senior pianist, acted as mistress of ceremonies. The other students were: Winifred Foy, sophomore violinist; Joyce Voss, junior vocalist; and Betty Ann Compton, sophomore vocalist. Miss Helen Pech and Mary Katherine Baker provided the accompaniment.

Betty Ann Compton sang for a convention held in Kirkwood. On Sunday, September 26, she sang on the Catholic Hour over KWK.

Ruth Schumacher sings over KFUD every Wednesday at 5:45 p. m. Miss Katherine Englezau sang over KWK at 11 o'clock on October 17.

### LANGUAGE CLUB NEWS

The first meeting of the newly reorganized Language Club was held in Mission Hall on Wednesday, October 6 at 1 p. m. Pat Andrew presided as president pro-tem. Sister Francis de Sales explained the new arrangement in the club, members now including those interested in Spanish, French and the Classics.

Elections were held for the coming year. Joan Krebs was elected president, Anna Kraft, vice-president, and Mary Ann Lakin, secretary-treasurer.

The next meeting will be given over to the Classical Division under the chairmanship of Georgianne McVay. Chairmen of the other divisions are: French—Anna Kraft, and Spanish—Mary Frances King.

### ART DEPARTMENT SKETCHES

All students, boarders and day-hops, will be interested in knowing that the picture loan library has been formed and is ready for circulation. During a semester four pictures may be taken out at a very small fee. This collection includes water color and oil prints, which are copies of American masters.

A water color and craft show at the St. Louis Artists' Guild opened formally on October 10 and will last through October 31. "Rain and Shine", a water color by Mrs.

## Freshmen Invested; Sermon, Benediction Mark Ceremony

The "collegiate look" became part of the "new look" for the Freshmen Friday, October 8, as they were invested in cap and gown in the Chapel of All Saints at 4:10 p. m. Rev. W. D. Casey, chaplain, conducted the ceremony and the officers of the Student Council Government Board and of the Senior class assisted.

Rev. F. J. Doyle congratulated the students and spoke on the importance of investiture especially in a world where God is ruled out. Here at Webster, the robes are blessed, significant of the type of collegiate life into which the Freshmen are entering. As Catholic college women they must find, on a college level, the answer to why God made them, and then they must live that answer everyday, everywhere. Their opportunity for Catholic education is exceptional and they, too, must be exceptional.

To cite cases of the completely secular education that is so prevalent, there was a recent poll taken in Germany; question asked of 700 children, age 9-12, "Who is Jesus Christ?"—answer received (there was hardly any)—for only 7 per cent knew and only 2 per cent had learned from their parents. Then out of 200 children questioned only 13 knew the real meaning of Christmas and only 4, of Easter.

Father spoke of St. Francis Xavier, who was warned before leaving for Japan that few had intelligence enough to cope with that of the Buddhist ministers, but he replied that he was not afraid, for one knows nothing if not Christ. And so, too, for the students here, Webster realizes the true basis of all knowledge, Christ.

The sermon was followed by Benediction which closed the ceremony.

## Loretto Players Reorganized

At the first meeting of the year, held on October 14th, 1948, the Loretto Players officially re-opened and reorganized for the coming scholastic season. Miss Betty Lou Taylor presided, along with the other new officers for the year; Ann Michenfelder, vice president; Jean Mattingly, secretary, and Billie Doyle, treasurer. Before an enthusiastic group of old and new members, Miss Taylor presented the plans of the season, which include trips to the American Theater, the St. Louis Community Players, and the Rooftop Theater; speakers for each meeting to discuss topics of theatrical interest; and extensive cast and crew functions for the four major productions of the year—the November play, the Greek Drama in January, the Spring presentation, and the annual Shakespearean production in May.

Following the business portion of the meeting, Joanne Burke gave a cutting from "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," by Cornelia Otis Skinner and Emily Kimbrough. The next Players' meeting is scheduled for mid-November.

Esther McDonald Brown, is featured in this display.

Currently the Art Museum is exhibiting a collection of contemporary art owned by St. Louisans. Well-known artists represented by these paintings are Paul Klee, Braque, and Picasso. This exhibit will be open to the public throughout the month of October.

The Art Department at Webster has an enrollment of ninety-five students this semester.

# WEB MARKS SILVER JUBILEE

## T. Harris Here For NSA Meeting

The Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska Region of the National Student Association held its meeting at Webster College on November 13 and 14. Mr. Ted Harris, president of the N. S. A., was the opening speaker. After rules of procedure and an agenda were adopted, the regional constitution was discussed and changed. The constitution will go into effect when a majority of the member schools ratify it.

The Purchase Card System which enables the students to reduce their cost of living by means of obtaining discounts at certain stores was adopted for large metropolitan regions, and a study of co-operatives will be made to reduce student expenses at small schools.

A Student Government Clinic will be established under the second vice president of the region. This will enable student governments to get solutions to their various problems.

A membership drive will be inaugurated by the Public Relations Officer in the form of a newsletter. After this introduction to N. S. A., further literature will be sent, and then personal contact will be made by a member of the N. S. A. At first, a few schools will be concentrated upon for membership.

The schools that were represented by delegates and alternates were Doane, Fontbonne, Kansas State Teachers College, Le Clerc, Marymount, Maryville, Mt. St. Scholastica, Webster, and William Woods. Schools that sent observers are: Hissten College, Southeastern Missouri State Teacher's College, Junior College of Flat River, St. Mary's, St. Theresa's, Harson's College, and Kansas University.

The Regional Officers that were elected at this meeting were: Gib Eggin, Doane, Regional President; Mary Castigan, Le Clerc, First Vice President; Helen Pearson, Webster, Second Vice President; Joan Se Woody, Mt. St. Scholastica, Secretary-Treasurer; and Ted Alfred, Doane, Public Relations Officer.

## D. Wittges Elected Frosh Class Prexy

The freshmen of Webster College elected Dolly Wittges president of their class after Student Government Assembly on Tuesday, November 9. Dolly was elected by a majority vote on the first ballot. The following day the freshmen elected Jean Kelly as freshman representative to the Student Government Board.

Both Dolly Wittges and Jean Kelly are numbered among the boarders at Webster. Dolly hails from Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Jean is claimed by Hillsboro, Illinois.

Carol Dunphy, the freshman class advisor, assisted in the elections. Before nominations were made, Rose Marie Saner, president of the Student Government Association, gave a short talk on the character requisites of the girls to be elected. Miss Saner stressed the importance of capability rather than popularity as the basic qualification.

The second election was presided over by the new president, Dolly Wittges, after she had thanked the class for the honor they had conferred on her and expressed the hope that she would live up to their expectations.



## 1948 Web Begins 25th Volume

This year of 1948-49 marks the silver anniversary of the founding of **THE WEB** as the official school newspaper. Preceded by an informal gossip sheet entitled "Listen" which had its debut in 1920, **The Web** made its initial appearance in the school year of 1923-24. The inauguration of **The Web** was brought about by Webster students who felt that Listen was not fulfilling the duty of a newspaper. With the coming of **The Web**, the students began to broaden their outlook on scholastic affairs and world conditions.

The first issues of **The Web** were mimeographed sheets on which were sketched small drawings accompanying the various articles. **The Web** did not take on its present form until 1925 when regular newsprint began to be used.

The importance of **The Web** grew rapidly until 1935 when the editorship of **The Web** became a major office at Webster. Before that the editor had been elected from among those girls who had served on the **Web** staff the previous year. In 1935 the editor received her appointment from the faculty and this system has been kept ever since. To-day **The Web** is the chief organ of publicity for all current events.

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## McClain To Judge Speech Tourney

Harry R. McClain has accepted an invitation to serve on a committee of judges for the local final elimination of high school speakers who will speak on "I Speak for Democracy." The St. Louis winner will participate in a national contest.

The date of the local program is Wednesday evening, November 24. It will be held at Beaumont High School. The event is sponsored by the St. Louis Junior Chamber of Commerce.

## Section Clubs Elect Officers

On Thursday, November 11, 1948, Section Club Meetings were held at which time officers were elected for the following out-of-town clubs:

### Illinois

President.....Mary Pat Kehoe  
Vice President.....Miriam Reedy  
Secretary.....Terry McGinn

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### West

President.....Shirley Bader  
Secretary.....Gerry Washington

The purpose of these clubs is to publicize Webster in their respective areas.

## Miss G. Galloway To Speak Under NFCCS Auspices

Miss Geni Galloway, a staff worker at Friendship House, Chicago, will talk about her unusual work, and the problem which called it forth, on Wednesday evening, December 8, in the St. Louis University Law School Auditorium. The lecture is sponsored by the NFCCS. Friendship House is a Catholic inter-racial settlement house, located on the South Side of Chicago; the special problem which it labors to solve is injustice and misunderstanding between the races.

Friendship House is a manifestation of the Lay Apostolate, with special emphasis on fighting racial prejudice wherever it is found, in labor relations, in politics, in housing, in education. It helps those who are in need by providing clothing, means to tide over a period of misfortune, and various educational and recreational programs. It has a children's department which sponsors outings for the children living in the neighborhood of Friendship House, provides catechism classes and handicraft periods for them, and makes arrangements for some of them to go to camp in the summer.

Miss Galloway has lived and worked with Friendship House for several years. The staff workers of Friendship House share a communal life patterned after that of the early Christians. They have no private incomes, but receive the charity of those whose donations support Friendship House and its program. Friendship House is open to all races, all creeds. Its program is essentially Catholic, and the daily lives of its workers are built around Mass and recitation of a portion of the Divine Office. Its members take no religious vows, but strive to practise the three Counsels of Perfection, Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, in their life and work.

Friendship House in Chicago is one of four such Houses, the first

## E. Halpin Assumes Post In New Office Of Admissions

Miss Elizabeth E. Halpin has been appointed director of the newly established Admission Office, which has for its purpose the contacting of high school seniors and juniors in the St. Louis area, all over the United States, and in foreign countries, and interesting these students in Webster College.

"We work in co-ordination with many of the school organizations," said Miss Halpin. "For example, if there is a play, a luncheon, or some similar activity going on at the college, we get the club sponsoring it to send out invitations to the high schools in this area," Miss Halpin explained.

The Admission Office also sends literature about the college to prospective students in the different states, and in other countries, and arranges different dates when local high school seniors come to spend a day at the College. So far there has been "Loretta Academy Day" and "Xavier High School Day", and scheduled to come in the near future are: Ursuline Academy, Nov. 23; Incarnate Word Academy, Dec. 1; Eugene Coyle High School, Dec. 6; and St. Alphonsus High School, Dec. 13.

Miss Halpin, who is a graduate of Webster, worked for two years with Doctor George F. Donovan, and was Placement Supervisor for volunteer services in the Social Planning Council.

one in New York having been founded by the Baroness Catherine de Hueck, whose biography, **Tumbleweed**, written by her husband, Eddie Dougherty, is a current book.

Miss Galloway's talk on December 8 is sponsored by the NFCCS, and tickets, priced at 60 cents, may be obtained from Vron Murphy, regional vice-president. They will also be on sale at the door.

## Websterites To Give "Hamlet" on WEW

Three Webster College girls will appear on the "Great Books" program on Radio Station WEW, Wednesday, November 24, 2:15-2:30 p. m.

They will dramatize "Hamlet." Hamlet will be played by Jeanne Higgins, '48; Ophelia by Betty Lou Taylor, '49, and Polonius by Ann Michenfelder, '49, all stars from our "Hamlet" performance given two years ago.

The program is under the direction of Harry R. McClain, Instructor of Dramatics at Webster College, through the courtesy of Dr. W. C. Korfmacher.

## Loretto Hall Boarders Hold House Warming

The Boarders in Loretto Hall gave a Housewarming Party on November 16 in the Pink Room to show their appreciation to the Sisters of Loretto for the many renovations made recently in the dormitory building.

Nancy Braeckel and Mary Sam Norris were co-chairmen for the party. Joan Mazzoni, hall president, acted in the capacity of hostess.

The entertainment for the evening was under the supervision of Georgianne McVay and Mike Riffel. Refreshments consisted of cocoa, sandwiches, and cookies. Joan Mazzoni presented several gifts to the Sisters.

After the formal entertainment, the Boarders escorted their guests to the newly decorated parlor, the reading nook in the Pink Room, which contains the new console radio, the oratory on the second floor, and to their rooms.

Other committee heads were: Selma Moosey, refreshments; Carol Fowler, invitations; Loretto Reynolds and Bert Henry, escorts; Mary Ellen Kilker, clean-up; Joan Boone, favors; and Frances Melsheimer, decorations.

## Our Silver Anniversary

We, the members of the Web staff, think that Thanksgiving is an especially fitting time to publish our twenty-fifth anniversary edition. Glancing back over previous issues of the Web and its predecessor Listen, we discovered exactly how much Websterites have for which to be thankful. First, we must be thankful for the plenitude of God's graces, which have been showered upon the college from the first day of its existence until the present moment; second, we must be thankful because we are the recipients of the courageous and unceasing labor of the Sisters of Loretto. Their teaching has instilled in our hearts love of God and appreciation of cultural beauty; their guidance and co-operation has been ever present with previous students as with us. Third, we must be thankful to the Alumnae, the students of yesteryear, who founded and nurtured the Webster spirit, the bond by which they were united in all activity and by which they often accomplished the impossible.

The Web, during these twenty-five years, has grown from a single mimeographed sheet to its present form. Yet, in many ways, there is no difference. The editorials, apropos of new trends, have changed in context but not in the basic principles underlying them. Headlines, of course, are different, but they still reveal outstanding honors and accomplishments that are Webster's own—whether it be the organization of Student Government, the launching of the Spirit of Webster, or the appointment of our President, Dr. G. F. Donovan, to the U. S. Military Zone in Germany. The gossip column affixes new names to the many charmingly mischievous "secrets" which have been so dear to the heart of every Websterite. Webster, as seen in the pages of the Web is essentially the same college today as it was a generation ago, physical changes excluded, of course.

For these reasons we are justly proud and humbly thankful to be members of the staff of the Web, our school newspaper which has recorded the history of Webster—an influence for good for twenty-five years and more.

## Requiescat . . .

We, the student body, extend our deepest sympathy to our Loretto faculty on the death of Sister Mary Albert Kohn.

Sister Mary Albert, a member of the order since 1888 has indeed given a long and fruitful life to God. The things we might say about her could only be a partial revelation of her saintly existence. Sister taught music at many Loretto schools. The Old Loretto Academy, located at Jefferson and Pine, Florissant Academy, and Webster had the privilege of receiving her talents. Sister also taught in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and one of her positions shortly before her retirement due to illness, was in Omaha, Nebraska.

Surely Sister has gained many jewels for her heavenly crown. Of course, we are sad to have lost such a friend, advocate, and teacher, but still we rejoice, for we feel God has another Saint in Heaven.

## RAP With R. A. P.

Recently we have heard two programs which, in a very few lines, seemed to reveal boldly radio's changing attitude toward marriage and divorce. Both occurrences shocked us at first as outstanding examples of bad taste, but they have deeper significance than mere impropriety. The first was on the Al Jolson show. Jolson has a baby boy and the radio program was giving previews of Asa Jolson, Jr.'s future life to fit the different ages. In the movie "The Jolson Story" the fact that Al had been married and divorced several times was not mentioned, perhaps because it would make the picture a great deal less acceptable. Has the public attitude supposedly changed since then? Asa, Jr.'s teen age was expressed by, "I Want Some Girls Just Like the Girls That Married Dear Old Dad." It no longer seems necessary to avoid the mention of the endless divorces and remarriages of public idols.

The second program we heard presented a selection entitled, "One Has My Heart, The Other Has My Name." It was not an attempt at humor as is the song which tells how a man can become his own grandpa. It was a romantic type—the type married men croon sweetly to their latest girl friend, no doubt. The words do not say, "I'll get a divorce," but the meaning is apparent. Divorce is taking a place in the field of musical romance.

Obviously, it is the duty of all Catholics to do everything in their power to counteract these subtle diatribes directed against the Holy State of Matrimony. One way that we can do is by carefully adhering to the standard of radio programs prescribed by the Radio Acceptance Poll. The popularity of such so-called comic programs is determined by the numbers of people that listen to them. Out-spoken denunciation of them will soon cause the script writers to change their tactics. This is just what R. A. P. is trying to accomplish.

It is a consoling thought that Webster has taken an active interest in trying to convey the proper viewpoint of marriage as well as other fundamental principles concerning home life to the radio audience of St. Louis. Sad to say, we lack the far-reaching advantages of a national hook-up; nevertheless, the very fact that we present marriage as a Sacrament instituted by God for the purpose of procreating children to a few serious-minded people may encourage other Catholic students to do the same. Through this united effort we will attack and attack successfully the ever-increasing secularization of marriage via the air waves.

## The WEB Gets

# A LINE ON LIMA

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Miss Elizabeth Etnire, instructor in the Department of Spanish at Webster College, has been on a leave of absence since March, 1948, in order to study for her Doctor's Degree. Miss Etnire is studying at the University of San Marcos in Peru and will resume her teaching schedule here in January. The following article is an excerpt from a letter Miss Etnire wrote to the WEB staff.)

Lima has been called the City of Flowers, truly a fitting name. Indeed, every kind of flower seems to grow here, and many of the houses are literally covered with roses, poinsettias and geraniums. The houses themselves are, of course, Spanish type architecture, with their "rejas" over each window, their balconies and patios. The many wide avenues throughout the city are lined with every kind of tree imaginable, each of which is surrounded with geraniums (some the size of a large plate), and all types of brightly colored flowers.

### THE CHURCHES

Of special interest to the Catholic tourist is the abundance of churches, each of which is very old and of historical as well as religious interest. The Cathedral was begun by Pizarro who laid the first stone in 1535. It is so large that one could almost get lost in it; the main altar is in the center, and there are about ten minor altars along the sides of the church. One of the most interesting of these is the one in which the remains of Pizarro are contained in a glass casket. The Church of St. Rose is, for me, the sweetest in all Lima. It is quite small and simple in style. Next to it is the original home of St. Rose, with her garden, the well she used, and the cell where she took the two hours rest she allowed herself daily. Of particular interest, also, is the Church of Santo Domingo, which contains the remains of St. Rose, Blessed Martin de Porres and Blessed Juan Masias. The University of San Marcos was housed in this church for the first eighteen years of its existence.

### PROCESSIONS

Lima is essentially a religious city, as evidenced by the fact that of the twenty-four legal holidays of the year, thirteen are of a religious nature. Nearly every month a religious procession of some sort takes place on the streets, including the famous Procession of Our Lord of Miracles. For two days the miraculous image is carried from one church to another, followed by thousands of people, most of whom are dressed in purple robes, carrying lighted candles, antique silver censers with burning incense, or flowers. Carnival booths and street restaurants are set up along the course taken by the crowds. This was originally the act of devotion of the colored slaves of Lima, who were the first to worship the beautiful mural of Christ which was painted by one of their number. But the fame of the miracles performed by the image has grown to such proportions that now all types and classes participate in this act of devotion.

### PACHACAMAC

The entire coastal section around Lima shows traces of ancient civilizations. One of the most important and best-known of these ruins are those of Pachacamac, about twenty miles from Lima. This was the sacred city of Pach-

acamac, Maker of the Universe, the religious capital of the coast of Peru. The Incas conquered this section in about 1350 A. D. Here, the tourist can see the great Temple of the Sun, as well as fine Incaic stone work and a vast burial ground. Many of the mummies are buried so close to the top of the ground that the shifting sands have left them virtually uncovered.

One encounters no trouble in finding "something to take to the folks back home" in Lima. The most popular gift attraction is the silver handiwork. Everything imaginable is made of silver, and because of the favorable currency exchange now, it is quite inexpensive. There are also many souvenirs to be had in the way of Indian handicraft, such as costumes, handknitted sweaters, and rugs of llama fur.

### CUZCO

The first "must" on every tourist's travel itinerary in Peru is the city of Cuzco, the archeological capital of South America. It was once the capital of Tahuantinsuyo, the Empire of the Incas, in southern Peru, and is now a national monument. Its legendary Incaic streets, palaces and temples, and its beautiful colonial churches and residences have been conserved and restored by the Peruvian Government. Over the city frowns the great fortress of Sacsahuaman. Nearby are the mysterious dead city of Machu Picchu, in an incredibly lovely setting of jagged peaks and jungle valleys, the ruins of Ollantaytambo, and the village of Pisac, whose inhabitants have changed little in dress or customs throughout the centuries. All the streets of Cuzco are of cobblestone, and most of them are just wide enough for a car to pass through; some are built in the form of giant stairs.

### THE GIANT STAIRS

I think my most interesting experiences happened the morning I was "climbing" one of these stair-like streets. There was not another person in sight, and suddenly two little Indian men appeared at the "top" of the stairs with a herd of about twenty llamas. The street was so narrow and there were so many of them that I was almost carried along with them in their race "downstairs." Another very interesting experience was the trip to Machu Picchu. The city is situated at the very top of a jagged mountain, and to get there one has to go on muleback from the base of the mountain, about an hour's ride. When we were ready to descend, we discovered that the mules had

disappeared and so we had to walk down.

### THE TRIP DOWN

There are about six in our party, but of course we soon became separated. The path was so steep it was almost perpendicular. When I was about half way down I suddenly realized that I was in the middle of a group of Indian men, each of whom had a huge load of reeds and banana leaves on his back and a long glimmering machete (a knife used for cutting bananas) in his hand. I must confess that I was a little nervous, but the Indians apparently weren't interested in anything except getting down the mountain, so fortunately it remains just a "nice experience" to write home about. The Indians are very tiny people, few of them exceeding five feet in height. Most of them are very timid, but in their own way, they try to be friendly.

### SANTIAGO TO BUENOS AIRES

The flight from Santiago over to Buenos Aires is truly breathtaking. The plane flies right over the highest Andes, reaching an altitude of nearly 20,000 feet, much to the discomfort of many of the passengers. The hustle and bustle of downtown Buenos Aires is almost identical with that of Chicago or any other North American city. The most famous street for shopping is Florida. From about ten in the morning until afternoon all traffic is forbidden, so the shopper may have full possession of the streets and walks. Buenos Aires is surrounded on the land side by the perfectly flat plains or pampa lands. Here one sees the famous gauchos, with their long ponchos. In northern Argentina, the pampas gradually change into almost fantastic looking hills, where herds of wild horses roam.

### TO BOLIVIA

Passing the hills one again crosses the Andes and comes to the high plateau lands of Bolivia. Most of the southern part of Bolivia is completely barren, except for a thin, short grass. The earth is very rich in ores which have colored the soil brilliantly. From the air it looks as if someone had spilled brightly colored dyes all over the land. One of the most breathtaking views in all of South America is the one seen near La Paz shortly after entering Peru from Bolivia. Here one flies over a canyon, so wide and so deep, and colorful that it makes our own Grand Canyon seem almost miniature.

The Peruvians are very hospitable and friendly and are very much interested in the United States. Nearly every student that I have talked to dreams of coming to the States some day to study English.

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## LISTEN, AND YOU SHALL . . .

Listen, my children, and you shall hear—hear what? Why just what we said in the beginning! Something about Listen! Listen, as you know was the very first attempt made by Webster College students to express their views through the media of the newspaper. This great event occurred in April 1920. Let's take a glance at the first edition of Listen, the little paper that paved the way for the Web three years later!

### EDITORIAL, 1920

For the first time, we, the students of Loretto College, are making our debut as editors and publishers, if you please, of a weekly periodical. The management of this paper is to be left entirely to the girls. . . The Loretine is our literary organ and represents the student work of all Loretto institutions. Listen!! makes no attempt to be literary and belongs to us and us alone.

Seemingly in direct contradiction to the above statement, we find this lyrical masterpiece in the same issue.

ONLY A DREAM (YOU SAID IT)  
I saw in my dreams last night  
A wonder palace bright,  
Big and tall with red brick wall  
And steps of cement—white.

A man stood by in overalls (no Otto)

"What's that?" I asked of him.  
He answered—"I've just finished it  
It's Loretto College Gym."

"Oh, Sir!" I said in ecstasy,  
"You're sure there's no mistake?  
Mother General said: 'Material's  
high

The risk we must not take!"  
But he had no time to answer  
And my brooding doubt dispel  
—For I was rudely wakened  
By Sister's morning bell!

### SEEN IN THE HEADLINES

For Mrs. Sankey and the Dramatic Art Class there is great joy to be found in the newly designed stage.

The inauguration of student council in Loretto College this

year is of vital importance to each and every one of us and we appeal to all the girls to give the matter due consideration before the elections this afternoon.

### LISTEN 1921

The members of the Listen staff take pleasure in notifying their readers of the latest improvement in our collegiate traditions. Our readers will recall Armistice Day as the Senior Pin Day at the College. We are glad to announce that May Day has been chosen as the Senior Ring Day.

On October 13 a large body of the College girls chaperoned by Mrs. Sankey attended the Centennial Pageant held at the Colosseum in honor of the hundredth anniversary of Missouri's entrance into the Union. . .

### LISTEN 1922

It seems that in this year Listen began contributing to Webster's Collegiate . . . the following definitions were found.

Philosopher: A man who can size himself up and forget the result.

Money: Something which talks, but a Loretto girl can't keep long enough to know what it is saying.

## Head Lines Viewed In Retrospect

All things alter with time, Webster not excluded. A continuous stream of activity since last June has brought about many changes at the College.

Dr. George F. Donovan has been granted a two-year leave of absence in order to fulfill his new obligations as Civilian Administrator and Chief of Education in the United States zone of Germany. Dr. Donovan will serve under General Lucius Clay. His numerous duties will include the examination and supervision of schools, faculties, textbooks and methods of instruction. During President Donovan's absence, Sister Mariella is serving as President pro tem. This was one of many faculty changes of the semester.

Visiting alumnae will be surprised and pleased at the complete change in the appearance of the front parlor in Loretto Hall. The spacious room has been completely refurbished; in addition, the walls have been painted a deep maroon to blend perfectly with the new pale gray carpeting.

Students now spend their casual moments in the northeast corner of the Pink Room, which was converted into a reading room. It, too, was completely redecorated. Current event magazines and newspapers occupy the shelves installed there. The Pink Room also contains a new combination radio-phonograph for the enjoyment of the students.

On September 16 and 17, an attempt was made to discover how the College can be improved from the standpoint of view of the development of Christian character. This project was accomplished by a joint faculty-student panel discussion. Questions presented for discussion included: "The Ideal Webster College"; "The Real Webster College"; and "The Ideal Minus the Real." At the final session, conclusions were drawn and forwarded to a special resolutions committee which presented them formally to the student body.

The month of November is devoted to the improvement of study habits.

This year the college curriculum has been broadened to include a new course in English and Communication. New majors have been added to the fields of physical education and elementary education.

Sister Mary Louise, head of the

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## Pages of WEB Reveal Trends Of Thirties

### THE WEB 1930

This is the year of modern inventions.

Father Lord has chosen "The Talkies" as the subject for his lecture. In his talk, Fr. Lord will explain the process by which they are made.

Another outstanding lecture of this year was given by Dr. James J. Walsh on Mussolini.

### W. C. FRESHMEN TAKEN TO POLICE COURT BY SURPRISE

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

### THE WEB 1931

WEBSTER HOST TO FIRST CATHOLIC ACTION SCHOOL FORMAL INSTALLATION OF NEW PRESIDENT FEATURE OF LORETTO DAY

On Sunday, October 25, Loretto Day Homecoming for all Alumnae of Loretto schools and for friends of the Sisters of Loretto was celebrated at Webster College. The principal feature of the afternoon was the formal installation of George Francis Donovan, Ph.D., as President of Webster College.

### FORMER DEAN OF WOMEN APPOINTED MOTHER SUPERIOR

Mother Mary Edwarda, the former Dean of Women of Webster College was appointed Mother Superior of the Webster College Community during August, 1931.

### THE WEB 1932

#### ORCHESTRA SHOWS DECIDED GROWTH

A new spirit has invaded Webster. If you have attended any of our dean's assemblies, you would doubtlessly grasp my meaning. Under the careful tutoring of Sister Kathleen, the orchestra has come to be one of the most important activities at Webster. It boasts of eight violins, cello, two cornets, mellophone, drums and piano.

### OLYMPIC STAR AMONG SEVENTY-FIVE FRESHMEN

Elizabeth Wilde, a freshman from Kansas City, Missouri, has gained national fame by her achievements on the track field. She took second place for the United States in the one hundred meter dash and fifth place in the Olympic contest for the same event.

### THE WEB ENTERS CATHOLIC PRESS ASSOCIATION

#### THE WEB 1933

As we continue our search through past issues of our paper, we find these interesting headlines which recapture the spirit of Webster in the early thirties.

### STUDENTS STAGE FIFTH ANNUAL VODVIL SHOW

JOURNALISM CLASS INCLUDED IN NEW SEMESTER COURSES  
WEBSTER CLIPS MARYVILLE FOR SECOND TIME OF SEASON  
GREEK PLAY TO BE ENACTED BY STUDENTS: "HIPPOLYTUS"  
INNOVATION IN

#### WEBSTER DRAMATICS

A laudable desire for beauty on the part of a few students—pioneers in the movement has resulted in Pretty Week. . . The campaign slogan of these beauty lovers is: "Be Pretty If It Kills You."

### THE SPEECH DEPARTMENT OFFERS NEW MAJOR

SENIORS ANNOUNCE DATE OF ANNUAL STUDENT VODVIL

To the uninitiated, Webster's annual vodvil is the most interesting, thought-provoking, hilarious, troublesome activity of the school year. It is student-acted, produced and directed.

This very interesting poem was also found in the annals of The Web:

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## College Newspaper Becomes WEB In '23

1923-24 was indeed an important and significant year in the annals of the college newspaper. The name of the paper was officially changed from Listen to the Web! We found this interesting editorial in this issue of the Web.

"A few years ago politics in a girls' school were torpid. Who would have predicted that girls' would ever be discussing the presidential candidates, their platforms and their abilities. . . ." (Dear readers of 1948: Was there any discussion on the political trends in the recent November election?)

In sharp contrast to the serious discussion of political theory, we find that "the annual fall dance of Webster College was given at the Forest Park Hotel in St. Louis Tuesday, November 25." Obviously only the time and the place were different from our own night of "Starlight Magic."

The founding of the Alumnae Association was another outstanding event of this famous year.

### THE WEB 1925

Here's an important flash on Initiation trends!! We sincerely hope the present committee studying this problem will be able to use this valuable information.

Sixty-three girls were made one hundred percent Freshmen on Monday evening, October 25. . . The real fun began at seven o'clock. Each Freshie donned her blindfold and after being put through various stunts was escorted to the "Idle Hour" where the Student Body had the enjoyment of ducking each Freshman's head in water, then flour and lastly coffee. . . During the evening Miss Genevieve Bartholomew issued rules to be kept until Thanksgiving, unless otherwise certified. These included the following: the wearing of baby bibs, refraining from the use of the telephone and speaking to any upperclassmen unless spoken to, keeping off the elevators until Christmas. . .

WILD REPORT!! One hundred girls have fallen arches from the "Charleston."

### THE WEB 1926

Here's the scoop on the latest news stories of the school year.

### REV. DANIEL A. LORD, S. J., TO GIVE ANNUAL RETREAT. BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY RECEIVES NEW SPECIMENS.

### ARCHBISHOP GLENNON HOLDS RECEPTION AT WEBSTER.

Registrars are too particular About the way we map our curricula.

In the editorial column we find:

At Webster the Catholic Student's Mission Crusade has spelled the word FLOP, for as many years as can be recalled. A terrible admission and yet no student can deny it. No one can say that our Nancy Havern Mission Unit has accomplished what it could and should accomplish. A meeting is called and it would seem that that part of the day is everyone's "afternoon off" . . . the business is outlined by the chairman, discussion is carried by "plants" in the audience. . . Who can be blamed? . . . not CSMC . . . not faculty . . . it is the students . . . who only attend meetings when attendance prizes are offered . . . who advise Freshmen that mission meetings are something to which no one pays any attention . . . who punctuate their sentences with complaints, but rarely have a remedial suggestion to offer.

### SOLICITED ADVERTISEMENT

The young woman who has been using bulletin boards to further her own mercenary ends, wishes to announce that her offer of renting a man for the fall dance for \$2.00 (\$2.50, if delivered) will

## BISHOP OF BRITISH HONDURAS VISITOR AT WEBSTER.

Later on in the year Webster became a Corporate College of St. Louis U.

Webster is one of the nine colleges of St. Louis University. This merger plan, which was announced during the holidays, is patterned after Oxford University in England.

That same year marked the erection of two new side altars in the chapel of All Saints of Webster College. One of the altars is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin and the other to the Sacred Heart. The altars are white marble and were imported from Italy.

### THE WEB 1927

Helen Simon, a student of Webster College, and representative of the Law School of the University, was crowned Queen of Billikinville for 1927.

Considerable progress was made this year in the development of creative art.

Here's the Story of the Year for 1927!!

NEW RESIDENCE HALL GROUND BROKEN NOVEMBER 1. Coincident with the twelfth anniversary of the laying of the cornerstone of Webster College was the impressive ground-breaking ceremonies for a new \$300,000 residence hall. This great occasion was appropriately held on All Saints' Day. The ground was broken in the form of a cross.

### THE WEB 1928

LONG AND SHORT HAIR STATISTICS COMPILED HERE. . . only eleven out of fifty-three at Webster College have really bobbed hair. Twenty-three out of twenty-seven seniors at Webster have long hair or partially long hair.

OPENING OF THE NEW RESIDENCE—Webster College opened its new dormitory to resident students on September 20. The structure is called Loretto Hall, and stands east of the Administration Building. It is five stories high and can house 190 girls.

### THE WEB 1929

MOTHER PRAXEDES, FOUNDER OF WEBSTER, VISITS THE COLLEGE.

FLASH!! MR. G. F. DONOVAN, M.A., AUTHOR AND TEACHER, JOINS FACULTY. Webster is indeed fortunate this year in having on its faculty a new Current History teacher, Mr. George F. Donovan. Mr. Donovan graduated from Harvard University in 1927 with a Master's degree.

He has written two books, "Irish in Massachusetts Before 1700", and "Catholics in Massachusetts from 1875 to 1900."

hold up until six o'clock the night of the dance.

The final edition of the Web for this year reveals a bit of interesting statistical information.

TWENTY GRADUATES RECEIVE DEGREES HERE TOMORROW; DR. EMMET KANE TO GIVE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

### THE WEB 1935

EPHY CHANG—FIRST CHINESE GIRL TO ATTEND WEBSTER ONE THOUSAND ATTEND JOINT LORETTO DAY CELEBRATION AND TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF COLLEGE OPENING POINTERS FOR FALL DANCE

1) If your dance partner proves to be smaller than you—ask if you can lead him.

2) If you fall down always manage to fall on top of your partner and then get up and say admiringly: "How did you manage to do that?"

3) If the stags don't cut you—say to your date: "You dance so divinely, I could dance with you all night!" You probably will.

4) If somebody steps on your

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SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION BEGINS—W. C. Celebrates 25th Anniversary.

Jeanette McDonald grants interview to Web reporter.

FRANK P. WALSH LIBRARY BEQUEATHED TO WEBSTER—2,000 books to housed as separate memorial to him.

WEBSTER STUDENTS ON EDUCATIONAL TOUR ATTEND HOP GIVEN BY WEST POINT CADETS—Students find the Point more educational than Congressional Library.

### THE WEB 1941

FORMER DEAN OF STUDIES RETURNS AS DEAN OF WOMEN—Sister Flaget will also be moderator of Loretto Foundation.

WALDORF-ASTORIA IS SCENE FOR GALLERY MEETING; SISTER MARY JOSEPH TO ATTEND CELEBRATION MARKING 10th ANNIVERSARY.

### THE WEB 1942

SISTER MATTHEW MARIE NAMED WEBSTER REGENT.

COLLEGE PLAYERS TO AID R. C.; LORETTO PLAYERS PRESENT BENEFIT PLAY, "LETTER TO LUCERNE."

JUNIORS HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY; CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION ADDS NEW NOTE TO FESTIVITIES.

Father Lord stresses necessity of SSCA courses. Summer School of Catholic Action offers timely topics because of war crisis.

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BARONESS DE HUECK VISITS COLLEGE: INFORMALLY CHATS WITH STUDENTS.

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## The WEB Gets

**THE ANSWER -- FATIMA**

By Dorothy Mullaly

"Fatima is the Answer," stated Father Eugene Murphy, S. J., Director of the Sacred Heart Hour, at the assembly program on November 8. There was no doubt in our mind about the importance of Fatima after his talk but we were still anxious to get answers for a few of our other pet questions concerning the details of this famous shrine. With this in mind, we pushed our way through the surging mob of exhilarated students who had just offered the first ten minutes of their 2:40 classes to Our Lady of Fatima and took our bruised and battered selves upstairs. At first we considered making an impression on Father Murphy by riding shamrock bedecked bicycles into the parlor but then remembered that we had them parked in the drive in front of the school as an extra hindrance to faculty members. When we finally did arrive at the parlor, it was only after Angie had assured Father that her middle name was O'Flaherty and that she came from an old established family in County Cork, that he put down his shillelagh and let us enter. Outside of his slight prejudice for the Irish race, we also learned that Father's second love was Notre Dame which we felt gave us considerable common ground.

Father Murphy was most cordial and anxious to answer all questions which we might have concerning Fatima, but with Bonnie Jostedt asking such questions as, "Father, are there any eligible millionaires over in Ireland?", we felt we didn't have a chance. (Incidentally, all other such requests may be forwarded to Fr. Eugene Murphy, S. J., who will be glad to pray for your "Special Intentions" on the Sacred Heart Hour).

When a question was posed to Father concerning organized devotion to Our Lady of Fatima, he stated an amazing thing. It seems that everyone in Europe concedes that this spiritual leadership has to come from the United States. We were somewhat astounded by this fact and Father said that ten years ago this might not have been true. However, Europe was devastated by World War II and is in such a questionable state today that she looks to us for this. Already there has been widespread organized devotion in the United States and Father reminded us that the "Pilgrim Virgin", which is an exact reproduction of the statue at Fatima, is expected to be in St. Louis sometime in February. Another fact Father feels is not too well known is that the College Church has an altar dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima where it is his privilege to say Mass daily.

During the course of our interview with him, Father Murphy stressed repeatedly the importance of obeying the Blessed Mother's petition. "It is the only sure way to combat Communism," Father said, "We must be serious about this: the Russians are very serious about Communism!"

When asked about the contents of the third prophecy made to the three children at Fatima, Father Murphy related to us that in his various conversations with the Bishop of Hiege, His Excellency said that although the sealed envelope containing the prophecy was in his possession, the Holy Father was the only one except Lucia who knew its contents. However, His Excellency did say that the revelation, which is to be released in 1960, seems to be of grave significance as is indicated by the Holy Father's repeated pleas for this devotion to Our Lady

of Fatima.

Father Murphy was very glad to have been at Fatima at a time when there was not a pilgrimage as this gave him an opportunity to study the Shrine and the people very closely. We urged him to tell us more about the Shrine itself. He said it was rather difficult to describe but did say that on top of the Fatima hill, the people unaided had built a beautiful Basilica of white marble. However, the Basilica and the entire Shrine are now under the direction of the diocesan priests of Fatima. It is here at the Basilica that the pilgrimages are conducted. At the foot of the hill there are two hospitals of native white marble. These are maintained for the sick and crippled who come to Fatima in the hope of being cured. There is a very, very small Chapel built on the actual scene of the apparitions. In it is contained the original statue of which the "Pilgrim Virgin" is an exact replica. This statue was the work of a young sculptor who was miraculously cured at Fatima. The Freemasons tried many times to demolish it but have never been successful. Father pointed out that the Chapel itself was so small that it accommodates only two people besides the priest and an altar boy. When questioned about the tree above which Our Lady made her apparitions, Father said that it had been removed and made into relics.

"The people of Fatima are the most wonderful people I know," said Father Murphy. We hastened to remind that this was a slight contradiction to a previous statement he had made. Of course, he assured us that he was not being untrue to the Irish Race but felt that he was bound to give credit where credit was due. It was not uncommon, he informed us, that people would walk 200 miles barefooted over dirt road for a pilgrimage to the Shrine. Fatima proper he said was easily comparable to our Ladue Village. As we lowered our raised eyebrow, he went on to explain that the people live in "picture-book" houses of white stucco cottages with red tile roofs. Unfortunately, Father Murphy was not able to see Lucia, who is the only living member of the group of three children who had seen the apparitions. Lucia is now Sister Ann Lucy at a Carmelite Convent some 90 miles from Fatima. However, Father did have an opportunity to speak with her sister and nephew.

Father Murphy also has extremely high praise for Salazar and the magnificent work he has done with the Portuguese. He felt that the people themselves were very satisfied with his type of government. There was some question in our minds as to the fate of Portugal after Salazar's death and Father explained that Salazar has built up his cabinet and has a successor who will continue to follow the principles which he has already exemplified.

By this time the sun was slowly sinking into the west and all of the ice had melted in Father's coke glass. We thanked Father for a very pleasant and inspiring interview and rose to hurry down to our typewriter. As we were leaving, Father Murphy urged us all to read the history and devotion of Our Lady of Fatima.

"Above all," he said, "Remember this—there never would have been a World War I or II if every Catholic had been a good one. Now we have been issued an ultimatum about Communism and the third World War. It is only in devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima that we will find the answer."

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Since this is a revolutionary age, it is important for us to live our ideals perfectly now, so that reconstruction can be built on a firm foundation. We must understand our government, overcome unfounded feelings of superiority, and cultivate or activate an appreciation and understanding of natures of other peoples. Only then can we expect to have peace among our nations and ourselves.

**THE OH-SO-CURRENT MAN-POWER SHORTAGE** probably brought on this one: "Dear Lord," prayed the co-ed, "I don't ask anything for myself—just send mother a son-in-law."

**W. C. ASKED TO FORM NFCCS UNIT; WEBSTER DELEGATES ATTEND CONVENTION IN CHICAGO.**

Campus Carnival to be Student Project for year; Vodvil abandoned until after peace time.

**FORTY HOUR DEVOTION HELD ON PATRONAL FEAST; ARCHBISHOP GLENNON CELEBRATES ONE MASS IN WEBSTER CHAPEL.**

**JOSE ECHANIZ JOINS STAFF OF W. C. CONSERVATORY.**

**THE WEB 1944**  
**MONSIGNOR SHEEN GIVES INFORMAL TALK TO STUDENTS**—Reception held in Pink Room. Noted speaker also recited poetry.

**DR. DONOVAN HOLDS MEMORIAL ASSEMBLY FOR F. D. R.** Entire student body pays tribute to late president.

**WAR BOND SALES** make possible the purchasing of second Flying Fortress. New airship named

**THE WEB 1945**  
**A NEW SPIRIT.** Our prayers have been answered. The guns that long resounded around the world are silenced. The stillness of peace reigns again. Webster resumes her pre-war status, and Websterites carry on with a new spirit.

**CURRICULUM REORGANIZED. NEW DIVISIONAL ORGANIZATION IS TENTATIVELY ADOPTED.**

"Someday they'll come along—the men we love" (a promise or a threat?) No kidding, though, veterans who are yearning for some learning have been requesting W. C. catalogues. And we don't mean Wacs and Waves . . .

**ART MAJOR TO BE INCLUDED IN WEBSTER CURRICULUM.** Degrees to be offered both in fine and commercial arts. Minor, in religion also offered.

**THE WEB 1946**  
**NEW ARCHBISHOP INSTALLED**—Formal enthronization ceremonies of the Most Rev. Joseph E. Ritter as the fourth archbishop of St. Louis took place at St. Louis Cathedral on October 8.

**ALL LORETTO DAY MARKS START OF NEW GYMNASIUM.** On this day, ground will be broken for the new gymnasium at Nerinx Hall, part of the building program for which the Expansion Drive, benefiting all Loretto schools in St. Louis was inaugurated.

**THE WEB 1947-48**  
**CHOTZ ANNOUNCES MUSICAL MARDI GRAS.**—The Mardi Gras gaiety of New Orleans will pervade Webster soon . . . the patroness chosen for the Musical is Our Lady of the Magnificat.

**CAUGHT IN THE WEB.**

**SISTER LOUISE WISE.**—Sister Louise Wise was the Dean, the moral support, the guiding light of the young but ambitious institution that was to flourish and succeed after only eight years in meeting the requirements of the North Central Association . . . It was Sister Wise who recognized a need for more social life, and arranged for the girls of Webster to meet the boys of St. Louis U. . . . She possessed indomitable energy and an incomparable enthusiasm for every phase of Webster life.

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toes, bite them back—it's always more effective.

5) If you don't know what to talk about there's always the weather, the orchestra and the chaperones. Every once in a while insert a few cute sayings as: "You fascinate me" . . . Haven't I seen you some place before?" . . . How am I doing?" "You say the darndest things."

**FACULTY-STUDENT INSTITUTE**  
—PLEASE NOTE

Websterites name qualities for "Ideal Girl." Beauty essential—but not desirable quality . . . Girls should no longer be "clinging vines."

**THE WEB 1936**  
**WEBSTER COLLEGE ADOPTS STUDENT GOVERNMENT**

The students of Webster College wish to express their complete and sincere appreciation to members of the Student Government Board for the excellent rules and regulations which they have provided in our newly adopted Student Government. We are not forgetting the long hours of labor that they underwent to make possible the enforcement of Student Government this year . . . We only hope that their trouble has been compensated when they saw that joyful reception with which their work was received and the wholehearted co-operation that they shall receive from us under Student Government.

**WEBSTER CHOOSES PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN COLLEGIATE POLL; PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WINS BY SIX TO ONE MAJORITY OVER GOV. LONDON.**

**CARDINAL PACELLI VISITS WEBSTER MOTHER EDWARDA'S TERM OF OFFICE AS REGENT OF WEBSTER COLLEGE ENDS THIS YEAR.**

**THE WEB 1937**  
**GALLERY OF CATHOLIC OFFICERS HAS GRAND OPENING**—HUGE CROWD PRESENT AT FORMAL TEA

**WEBSTER INSTALLS NEW DIETETICS ROOMS AND DRAMATIC STUDIO FOR ADDED COURSES**

**NEW THEORIES IN GRADING**  
Then there is the modern professor who said: Pass all the papers to the end of the row and have a carbon sheet under each one so I can correct all the mistakes at once."

**HOW TO SPEND THAT FREE TEN MINUTES**

Play with your pencil—the top may need chewing off.

Talk to the girl who is trying to cram at the last minute.

Draw pictures.

Think about last weekend.

Think about next weekend.

And most important of all—EAT.

**PARENTS ATTEND CLASSES AT COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE**

Instead of the regular Tuesday schedule, classes were held from 5:30 p. m. to 10:00 p. m. Classes lasted thirty minutes.

**THE WEB 1938**  
**FRESHMEN WEEK HELD IN HONOR OF NEWCOMERS**—BUFFET SUPPER, BOWERY PARTY, FASHION SHOW, THEATRE PARTY AND BRUNCH PLANNED AMONG WEEK'S ACTIVITIES.

**STUDENTS FAVOR ISOLATION POLICY, POLL REVEALS**

W. C. President's hobby is collecting Railroad Timetables. Dr. Donovan is intent on railroad data, a habit formed during his college days when he travelled so many miles daily to school by train.

**SISTER MARY LOUISE COMPILES ANTHOLOGY OF CONTEMPORARY CATHOLIC LITERATURE**

The author expresses hope that

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English department, has been appointed Sodality Moderator for the year. Sister Edwin Mary has been appointed Faculty Moderator for the 1949 edition of the *Laur-etanum*.

Peggy Mason, senior, has been elected to serve as regional chairman of the Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska division of the National Student Association. Webster is also represented on the executive board of the Regional NFCCS by Veronica Murphy, vice president. The region includes Maryville, Fontbonne, LeClerc and Webster Colleges and St. Louis University.

Webster has an exceptionally large group of foreign students this year. The countries represented include Austria, Canada, China, Denmark, Mexico, Puerto Rico and the Territory of Hawaii.

The following faculty changes were made for the year '48-'49. Sister Rose Maureen has been appointed Dean of Studies, succeeding Sister Frances de Sales, who is now Head of the Spanish Department and Director of Faculty Studies. The directorship of the Department of Business Education, long held by Sister Ambrose, is held by Sister Helen Jean. Sister Aubert, a member of the Webster College faculty for several years returns after a two year period at Loretto Heights to assume a teaching position in the history department.

Because of a decision to restrict the priests of Kenrick Seminary to teaching exclusively in their own school, several secular priests have been added to the faculty: the Reverend Francis Doyle, assistant at Immaculata Parish; the Reverend Robert J. Schweigel, assistant at Notre Dame de Lourdes Parish; the Reverend Edwin J. Burmeister, assistant of St. Joseph's Parish.

In the division of Letters and Fine Arts, there are two new instructors in the English Department, Miss Canascia Duncan and Miss Muriel Hoogstraet. Mr. Carl Madlinger, well-known teacher in the St. Louis area, is now among the personnel in the music conservatory as an instructor in piano. Mr. George Schaeffer of St. Louis is teaching a course in Liturgical Chant which is being offered this year. Miss Alice Harper, graduate of Washington University, is instructing in the art department.

Miss Herminia Aguerro of Cuba is an instructor in the Spanish Department. A course in speech is being given by Miss Jeanne Higgins, a member of the graduating class of 1948.

From Orange, New Jersey, comes Miss Magdalen Fullum, who is teaching various courses in the division of social studies.

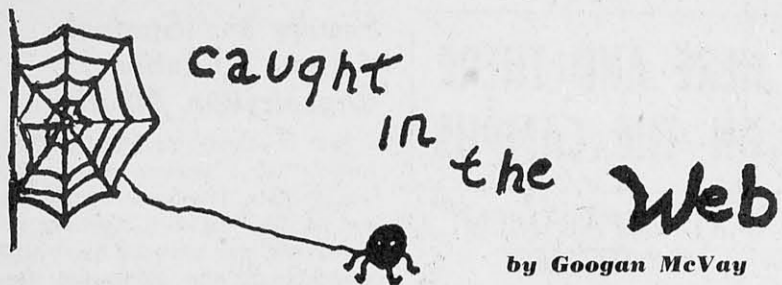
Mrs. Clarence Mooney is working in the library as assistant to Sister Clotilde. Miss Jeannette Gund holds the position of physical education instructor this year.

In the division of mathematics and science, Miss McCurdy is teaching both the chemistry and biology labs. Mr. Frederick Gormley, another new instructor in chemistry. Miss Anna Heiss is teaching in the department of dietetics.

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**Over the Bent World** will make Catholics realize what there is in faith.

**THE WEB 1939**  
Alumnae erect stations of Our Sorrowful Mother in W. C. Chapel. **WEBSTER STUDENTS OPPOSE U. S. ENTRY INTO WAR, POLL REVEALS**  
**CHRISTMAS BANQUET USHERS IN HOLIDAY SEASON AT WEBSTER.**

His Majesty's Christmas is theme—Dr. Donovan presents class pins to Seniors—Faculty and Freshmen are given gifts by King S. Claus.



by Googan McVay

The time has come to speak not of cabbages and kings but of Webster's editors and presidents and vice-presidents and other types of big wheels. I refer to the six leading ladies of W. C. who were named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities for 1948-49. A few of their glorious deeds are hereby set down for posterity.

**JOAN**

We should have known that Joan Mazzoni was going to be pompous. She had been class president for four years at Ursuline Academy in Louisville. She has held her own in all phases of Webster life — social, spiritual, athletic and intellectual. As a sophomore Joan was on the Sodality Board, and was on the Freshman Advisory Committee. In the literary line, she edited the *Lauretanum* in 1948; now she's make-up editor of the *Loretine*. In May she ascended the throne on the back campus and was crowned May Queen. She confided to me that she beat Saner in ping pong, and it is well known that whenever her team is confident of a basketball or volleyball victory, Mazzoni is sent into the game. So it was altogether appropriate for her to be chairman of the Athletic Banquet last year. Now she rules the residents as Hall President.

**CHOTZ**

The vice-president of the class of '48½ is Charlotte Baumgarten, who in her two and a half years at Webster has amassed a record interesting even to a congressional investigating committee. Chotz went to Mt. St. Joseph Junior College in Maplemount, Kentucky, before favoring us with her talents. Her contemporaries who have been her underlings describe her as 'power mad, a condition she achieved as chairman of "Mardi Gras," the 1948 musicale. She has been an expert scenery mover, gave a starring performance as the Mock Turtle in the freshman play, *Alice in Wonderland*, and belonged to the immortal class of '07 chorus. In the more serious line, she belongs to the Poetry Club and was archivist her junior year. She referred to herself as an inactive assistant of *The Web*. Chotz is quite interested in Pooh parties, a form of entertainment that requires soup and readings from A. A. Milne.

**VRON**

Vron Murphy told me she could be caught at Sportsman's Park either in summer at a baseball game or in winter at soccer. She's hard to catch around Webster, since she's always sashaying along to some kind of meeting. Veronice was sophomore class president last year. This year she is junior representative to the Board and vice president of the association. Her student government activities date back to her high school days at Beaumont when she was secretary of the student council. Last spring she was the junior delegate to the fifth National Congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students in Philadelphia. She is vice president of NFCCS for the St. Louis region, and chairman of the Student Relief Campaign. Vron is also the lady life-guard type; she said she held that position when she camp counselled at Camp Don Bosco. The new Famous-Barr in Clayton has arranged for the use of Miss Murphy's charm and salesmanship this winter in their effort to achieve success in the suburbs.

**Mary Go Round**

by Rosemary Schmuck

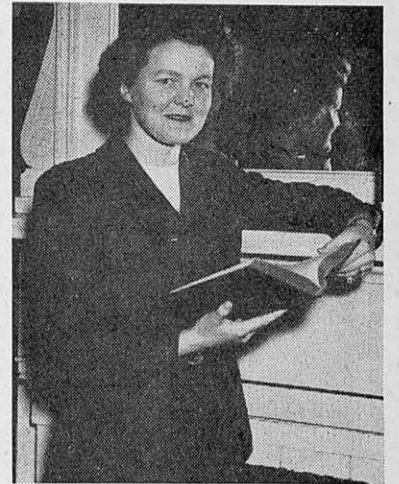
It seems so long since we've had a visit that I don't know where to begin. Let me see, just what were we saying? Oh, yes. I'm terribly anxious to tell you about our talk with Loretto Heights' Prefect, Pat Doyle. You know, we here at Webster have done a little reorganizing in the Sodality, with the hope that things would take on a "new look." We were more than tickled to read that Pope Pius XII had advocated such a move just this summer. Well, if you think we changed things radically, you should take a peek at our sister-college Sodality in Denver. Pat told us that instead of having weekly meetings with the entire Sodality at one time, their Sodality has divided into small working units, which function distinct from one another. The Prefect still "reigns" (I hope this won't color my position) but there is a leader in each particular section. Each group meets during one period a week. Together with the Prefect, these leaders form the Spiritual Council. The Council meets weekly and discusses the business brought up in each section during that certain week. Possibly one leader takes back to her group an idea inspired from one of the other leaders. At times they all work on the same project; at other times, however, the groups work on entirely different problems. It seems that every Sodality member gets in on the ground floor and really takes an active part in Sodality work. Sanctification of self is evident from the reports brought back to the Council each week. And, surely with such personal contact with each Sodality member, it's easy to see how the neighbors would necessarily be influenced. Now, I haven't come to any definite conclusion on this arrangement, but it is going around in my head. It's a novel idea, not so? Think it

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**FIVE ALUMNAE ENTER CONVENT LORETTINES RECEIVE FOUR**

By Toni Uranga and Betty Burgraff

It would be impossible to measure the contribution of Webster College to the world. Besides the consecration of the majority of the alumnae to the lay apostolate there are those who have especially dedicated themselves to God by joining religious communities. The five girls who entered the convent this fall are but a small group, representative of the many Websterites who have embraced the religious life.



M. J. Greenslade

Mary Jane Greenslade, of Chicago, Ill., was prefect of the Sodality and captain of the basketball team in her senior year. After graduation she taught physical education at Nerinx Hall, and at Barat Center.

Theresa Buckler, of Loretto, Ky., was Hall President in '38, and Faculty Representative to the Board; Classical Club President in '37 and '38; and a member of the Cer-



Jane Clark

Four of these girls, Jane Clark, '48, Joy Herman, '47, Mary Jane Greenslade, '41, and Theresa Buckler, '38, chose to enter the Sisters of Loretto, as the majority of Websterites who follow the religious vocation do. In fact, Sister Mary Louise, moderator of the Alumnae, reports that last December there were fourteen Webster girls in the Loretto Novitiate.

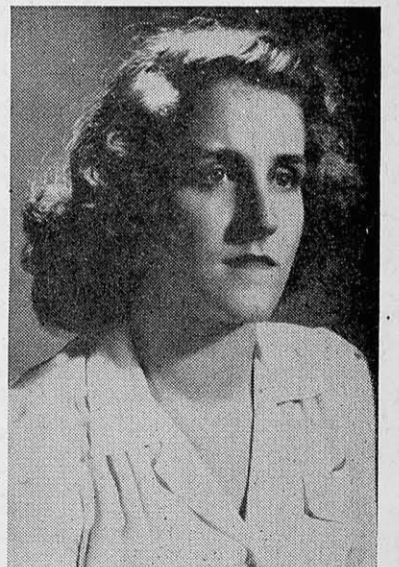
The other graduate, Rose Ann Vienhage, '48, entered the Maryknoll Novitiate, adding this order to the eight others which already number Webster Alumnae among their members. They are: Dominicans, Notre Dame, Blessed Sacrament, Carmelites, Sisters of Charity, B. V. M.'s, Sisters of Mercy, Franciscans, Parish Visitors, and Catechists.



Theresa Buckler

cle Francais, Athletic Association, Press Club, C. S. M. C., Biology Club, Loretine Staff, and Varsity Basketball team. After graduation she taught at Lebanon, Ky.

Rose Ann Vienhage, of Springfield, Mo., was a member of the Sodality Board in '48, was chairman of the Red Cross Drive in '47, and belonged to the I. R. C. Club.



Rose Ann Vienhage



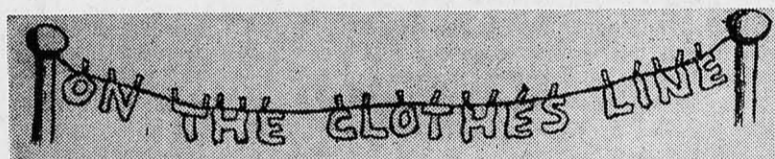
Joy Herman

Jane Clark of Lebanon, Kentucky, was Mission President in 1947, the Senior Representative to the House Committee in 1948, and was a member of the Spanish Club, the Classical Club, and the Web staff.

Joy Herman, of St. Louis, spent her junior year at Laval University in Quebec, was president of the Cercle Francais in 1947, won the Spanish Award in 1945, and was a member of the Spanish Club, Dramatics Club, Red Room Committee and Web staff.

Five members of the present faculty at Webster, Sister Alexander Marie, Registrar, Sister Mary Louise, Sister Edwin Mary, Sister Felicia, and Sister Frances Louise, were graduated from here, as were also Sister M. Florence, dean of

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by Mary Thornhill

You know that old song that goes, "You're lovely, just the way you look tonight," well, we honestly believe that many a young gallant was whispering this to his fair lady on November 5, the night of the fall formal.

The ladies were truly lovely. Some chose rich, luxurious velvets in colors that matched the autumn leaves; others selected bright shimmering satins. A lovely combination that is with us again is that of satin and fluffy tulle.

We would like to mention each and every girl separately, but since our space is limited, we'll just say, "You never looked more beautiful."

We noticed particularly, Verna Vortruba and Joan Mazzoni in their velvets of royal blue and American beauty red. Both were made with snug fitting bodices and full skirts that fell gracefully in folds over hoops. Verna trimmed her wide, shoulder tip neckline with ermine-dyed squirrel. Joan complemented her shiny black hair with two fragile white orchids.

Mary Louise Ganley's black taffeta revealed a tiny waistline. We liked your charming black net stole, Mary Lou.

As we glanced at Reenie Wiggins, we fancied ourselves looking

at a Grecian goddess, for her gown was of sheer salmon pink marquisette. Extending from her shoulders and almost to the hemline was a length of the same material giving a cape-like effect.

We wonder if Kate Daly was trying to prove her Irish ancestry by "the wearin' of the green" (and I do mean Kelly) satin. Those tiny shirred sleeves were very different, Katie.

Joan Kavanaugh looked queenly and regal in her tomato red taffeta with rhinestone shoulder straps. Did you notice her rhinestone pin and matching earrings made in the shape of crowns?

The Reinheimer twins appeared quaint and demure in their old-rose satins, the neckline trimmed with lace.

Doris Fleck's Nile green satin brocade was a college girl's dream.

**IT'S IN THE BAG**

While table hopping we became aware of the variety in evening bags. They were fashioned into all shapes and sizes. Some were small, pouch bags of satin or velvet matching milady's dress. Others were made of lustrous gold or silver kid skin and decorated with jeweled clasps.

Did you know that the best dressed girls were those who carried rosaries in these evening bags? Bye now.

## ... STUDENTS MEET MSGR. SHEEN ...



This was the scene at Kiel Auditorium on Sunday, Oct. 31, when a group of students from Webster and Loretto Heights Colleges were introduced to Msgr. Sheen.

### Lecture of Noted Educator Concludes Heights' Weekend

"I believe we're living in the moment of greatest spiritual possibility. The hope of the world is the recovery of the Cross." Thus said Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen, philosophy professor at Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C., and nationally known Catholic orator in an address at Kiel Auditorium on Sunday, October 31.

Attendance at the lecture was one of the highlights of the visit of the Loretto Heights students to Webster. In his lecture Msgr. Sheen stated that mankind today faces two alternatives — "Catastrophe and war or repentance and spiritual regeneration." In speaking of Russia he said that in order to understand what Russia may do, one must first understand the philosophy of Communism and secondly, understand "how the devil would work." Discussing the second point, Msgr. Sheen explained that the devil would never attack anyone who knew he was the devil; the devil is always in disguise.

The eminent Catholic educator said that he "wouldn't be surprised" if, after our elections, Russia should pull its troops from Berlin and send Maxim Litvinoff, the former Russian ambassador, back to this country. As a result of this, he said, the United States press would again begin speaking favorably of Russia. "Then," Msgr. Sheen declared, "will come the Pearl Harbor. Not as long as Russia is an enemy will there be war."

After the address the representatives from the Heights and several Webster students had a short interview with Msgr. Sheen backstage. His appearance marked the fourth annual address he has delivered in St. Louis for the benefit of the Sacred Heart program.

### ALUMNAE ENTER CONVENT

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Studies at Loretto Heights College in Loretto, Colo., and Sister Jean Carmel, Sister Mary, and Sister M. Cecile, also on the Heights faculty. And one of Webster's proudest boasts is that Sister Nerinx Marie, one of the thirteen Loretto Missionaries now in China, graduated from here!

### Report on Regional Meeting of NFCCS

In accordance with the request of the Rev. Paul C. Reinert, S. J., acting president of St. Louis University, representatives of all student organizations attended a second regional meeting of the National Federation of Catholic College Students, held Sunday, October 17, in the Chouteau House (student union building).

At this meeting plans and problems of the NFCCS, as pertaining to the St. Louis region, comprising the University, Fontbonne, Le Clerc, Maryville, and Webster Colleges, were discussed under the chairmanship of Veronica Murphy, Webster College junior and regional vice-president of the NFCCS.

Mr. Robert A. Lodge, of the University's department of English, was introduced as newly appointed faculty advisor for the University delegation. Mr. Lodge stated that he was directly responsible to Father Reinert and pledged the administration's full support for the NFCCS.

Bill Moorman, Arts sophomore, was named regional publicity director, to correlate activities and to handle the release of all news concerning the NFCCS in this region.

Three committees were appointed to plan and carry out prospective regional projects under the chairmanships of Lee Sutcliffe, Arts junior, and Winfred Foy, Webster College; Mary Alice Franzmann, Webster College; and Gene Hogan, Arts senior, and Mary Jane Wieck, Webster College.

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of strength whose size will deceive unless she's ever twisted your arm. Her name evokes fiendish shrieks of delight from her friends. They tell me that she has sunk cans in her front yard so she can practice her golf strokes. She enjoys wearing the most hideous patterns of argyle socks.

Despite these handicaps, Peggy has held several offices of distinction. She was sophomore representative to the Student Government Board. She was chairman of the Mission Committee when she was a junior and she also served on the Sodality Board. During both her junior and senior years she has been a representative to the National Student Association. She is temporary chairman of the Missouri-Kansas-Nebraska region of NSA.

### Students Broadcast "Home" Discussion

Airing their views on the Christian Family, four Websterites had a round-table discussion over KWK Sunday, November 7, in the 11 o'clock Catholic Program. This discussion grew out of the panel given by a number of the students on Loretto Day, October 17, 1948.

Miss Betty Lou Taylor was chairman, her colleagues were the Misses King, Pearson, and Stack. Their topics included the Home in relation to married, religious and single states. They pointed out the marked difference between "home" and the "Christian home."

### College Club Meeting Held

The Catholic Women's College Club, an organization composed of St. Louis Catholic women who have a degree, held its monthly meeting on Monday, November 15 in the Pink Room of Webster College. Four Webster alumnae Mrs. Robert Rosenthal, Mrs. Burham Tinker, Mrs. John Plunkert, and Mrs. Joseph Barnicle, former president of the club, acted as hostesses for the evening.

After a brief business meeting, the Rev. Richard Keyser addressed the group. Refreshments were then served.

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over—I'd be glad to hear what your ideas are.

Not to change the subject, but I've been thinking (nobody will believe I do this much thinking!) about the Sodality Union Festival, just over. Every year for the past three years Webster has "knocked herself out" to be on top. "Beat those other sodalities to the throne," was the general cry. It seems to me that maybe matters would have taken on new "vim and vigor" if we had stressed aid to Christ's poor rather than glory to Webster's name. We know that W. C. is glorious, but so few of us realize the importance of supporting Christ's missions, we have an obligation to do just that. Father Lord once said, "If you grasp the Christlike life, you have the immediate obligation yourself to become Christlike."

'Nuff for this time — see you soon! Give Mary my love!

## HERE AND THERE ON THE CAMPUS

### ART DEPARTMENT SKETCHES

This year the fashion and designing classes are putting their sketches into reality. Plans have been made for many different types and varieties of clothes, including suits, coats, sportswear, dresses and formals. Some members of the Art Department have already created their own designs and have followed them in detail towards the production of original garments.

Two senior art majors, Shirley Meyer and Anita Kopf, should be given a vote of thanks and even a sigh of admiration for the pair of masks they turned out for the Fall Festival. Minnie and Mickey Mouse were certainly in ultra fashion that night.

### MUSIC DEPARTMENT NOTES

Joyce Voss is going to sing at two weddings this month. Both of the brides are former students of Webster College. The first wedding will take place on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, when Rita Reller will be married. Joyce will also sing at Mary Gebhart's wedding on Saturday, November 27. Mary graduated from Webster last year.

On Sunday, November 28, Charlotte Lemke played the violin on "The Catholic Hour" on KWK. Charlotte was accompanied by Miss Mary Katherine Becker.

### I. R. C. JOTTINGS

The International Relations Club of Webster College held its fourth annual Intercollegiate Intermediate Discussion on Sunday, November 14, from one to five in the afternoon.

The general topic for the day was "The International Role of Modern Governments." This subject was divided into panels on Communism as exemplified in Russia; Socialism in England; Fascism in Spain; Democracy in Switzerland; and Monarchism as it is in Denmark.

Twenty schools, colleges and universities of the St. Louis area were invited to send delegates.

The meeting concluded with an informal tea in the Pink Room at which the members of Webster's IRC acted as hostesses.

### LANGUAGE CLUB NEWS

The Language Club of Webster College held its second meeting of the year on Wednesday, November 3. Joan Krebs, president of club, turned the meeting over to Georgianne McVay, chairman of the division of Classical Languages.

The discussion was devoted to Greek epic poetry. Papers were read by Eileen Franke, on "Epic Poetry"; Joan Hoogstraet, on "The Iliad"; Helen Pearson, on "The Epic Cycles"; and Carol Dunphy on "The Odyssey."

It was agreed at this meeting that all three divisions of the organization, Classical, French and Spanish, should present the Christmas program.

### POETRY CLUB LINES

For all those who are inspiration-laden with poetic talent of any type including facetious, free verse, or plain limericks, the Poetry Club is announcing a drive for new members. Admission into

### Faculty and Students Attend Educational Organization Meetings

The St. Louis County Teachers Association, a branch of the Missouri State Teachers Association, met at Washington University recently and was attended by several students of the Education Department of Webster College. Sister Harriet, Miss Fullum and Miss Dorothy Andrews were also present. Sister Mary Luke, principal of Nerinx Hall, represented the High School Department of the College.

The Fourteenth Annual Conference of the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals was held last month at the University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri. Miss Fullum and Miss Andrews represented Webster College at this meeting.

Mr. Latta, principal of Webster High School extended an invitation to the Education Department of Webster College for the lecture of Dr. H. Douglass, nationally-known educator. Dr. H. Douglass is the author of *Organization and Administration*, a textbook now used at Webster College. Members of the Elementary and Secondary Education classes attended. Miss Fullum, Miss Heiss and Miss Andrews were the faculty members present.

### Literary Musicales Features Father Lord

The Loretto Foundation of Webster College opened its sixteenth year of literary musicales on Monday evening, November 22, at Club Caprice in the Sheraton Hotel. The Literary Musicales has not been held for the past two years.

The Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., reviewed *The Family Circle* by Cornelia Otis Skinner. This book gives an account of the theatrical life of the author's family. A music recital also formed part of the program.

Mrs. Eugene A. Erker, general chairman for the benefit was assisted by members of the Literary Musical Guild, which sponsors the annual series for the Loretto Foundation.

### Loretto Principals To Convene Here

The annual convention of principals of Loretto High Schools in America will take place November 25, 26, and 27 at Webster College, Sister Mary Luke, principal of Nerinx High School announced recently. The purpose of the meetings is to afford those who are in charge of Loretto schools inspiration and mutual benefit of ideas and experiences in carrying out educational programs. Mother Frances Therese, Educational Superior of Loretto schools, and Sister Gregory, high school superintendent, will be in charge of the program. Tentative plans include a discussion by Father Fortman, S. J., who is instructor in theology at West Baden, Indiana.

The WEB extends its deepest sympathy to Joan Dubeque on the death of her father.

The Club is warranted by the submission of three poems by November 24th to Nancy Braeckel, Archivist. Three poems will be judged by a committee and all future members will be notified previous to the December meeting. This meeting will be devoted to a Christmas party. Other activities for the coming year are being planned to insure a successful year with the Muses.



"And it came to pass that when they were there her days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

"And she brought forth her first born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them in the inn."—LK. II, 6, 7.

## '49 Varsity Squad Members Announced

Twenty-one Websterites, including ten returning lettermen, have been picked to play on the Basket Ball Varsity of 48-49.

Returning to play for a fourth year are Bonnie Jostedt and Pete Porbeck. Bonnie is a guard, and Pete plays forward. Playing for her third year will be Kate Moore, guard, while forwards Jody Willard, Terry McGinn, Jo Ann Boone, and Sally Wienecke and guards Dot Welsh, Madeline Evans, Fronia Helgason and Katie Massery will serve for their second year.

Upperclassmen new to the white and gold will be Margaret Carroll and Kathy Higgins, guards, and Kelly Carroll, Ethel Zilliken, Pat Whittington and Shirley Elsey, forwards.

Four Freshmen, two hailing from St. Louis and two out-of-staters from Texarkana, Texas and Knoxville, Tennessee, will take their places on Webster's team.

From Visitation is guard Barbara Meyer, who played four years at that Academy and captained her team in her senior year. Barbara Faure, who is also a guard, is a graduate of Nerinx Hall, where she played four years. From Texarkana Catholic High, comes Helen Snook, forward, and from Knoxville's Catholic High is Dorothy Willard, who played guard for that team.

Miss Jeannette Gund, instructor in physical education revealed the above appointments last week. Practice has already begun.

## Six Elected To Lead Cheers For Varsity

Tryouts for cheerleaders were held on December 9 in the auditorium. Each aspirant was required to lead one cheer before the entire student body. The students then cast their ballots for the election. Those elected were Jayne Payne, Betty Lou Taylor, Jean Mattingly, Jacqueline Hellman, Miriam Knight, Peggy Kolash.

These six girls will lead all the cheers at forthcoming basketball games.

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## Faculty - Students Meet To Study Instructional Problems of College

The faculty of Webster College has organized a committee to study the institutional and instructional problems of the college level. The idea of a committee on institutional problems evolved from the faculty's desire to improve the type of instruction throughout all departments in order to effectively contribute to the intellectual, spiritual, physical, and social development of the students. The three divisions of studies are represented on the committee by their chairmen: Sister Roberta, Letters and Fine Arts; Sister Harriet, Mathematics and Natural Science; and Miss Dorothy Andrews, Social Studies. Additional members representing each of the divisions are Sister Edwin Mary, Sister Felicia, and Miss Ann Heiss.

At present the committee is concerned with the drawing up of a faculty rating sheet. The faculty voluntarily sanctioned the rating scale for evaluation of student reaction. The individual faculty members desire the student's frank evaluation of the class work in regard to interest, organization, and presentation, for their own information and not from an administrative aspect. If the students co-operate in the same spirit, the offerings of Webster College may be improved to the satisfaction of both students and faculty. No one can be ideal in all of the qualities listed in the rating sheets, but there is an honest desire on the part of all concerned to see himself as others see him and to profit by such knowledge.

It was thought advisable to select a student committee to work in co-operation with the faculty committee. The faculty chose Margaret Mason, chairman, Joan Krebs, Helen Pearson, Mary Frances King, and Joan Dufner.

## Loretto Players Present Nativity Play On Dec. 12

The Loretto Players presented their annual Christmas pageant, "The Coming of The Prince of Peace," on Sunday afternoon, December 12, at 3:30 p.m. in the College auditorium. The entire program was under the direction of Betty Lou Taylor, assisted by members of the Directing Class: Ann Michenfelder, Rose Marie Saner, Pat Paul, June Murphy, Rosemary Schmuck, Mary Helwig, Joanne Burke and Marty Unser. Background music was furnished by the Choral Club, under the direction of Miss Kay Stamper, with accompaniments by Mary Margaret Hoffman and Selma Moosey.

This nativity play is an original script, written by Sister Dolorine, and has been a part of Webster's Christmas since 1934, when Sister came to Webster from Loretto Heights. It has become as traditional as the Christmas banquet, and by custom, each part is kept by the same girl during her four Webster years. Since the play is presented more in the form of worship than from the standpoint of theatrical production, the pageant is divided into ten scenes from the Old and New Testaments: "The Dream of St. John"; "Zachary in the Holy of Holies"; "The Annunciation"; "The Marriage of Mary and Joseph"; "The Visitation"; "The Court of Herod"; "The Inn"; "The Road Outside Bethlehem"; "The Watch of the Shepherds"; "The Manger at Bethlehem." This production is presented in the hope that the true meaning of Christmas will return to the hearts of "men of good will." Invitations were sent to the various religious houses in the St. Louis area, and a general invitation was extended to the students, their parents and friends.

## JUNIORS ENTERTAIN AT GALA CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Junior class presented the annual Christmas banquet Thursday evening, Dec. 16, at Webster College, under the direction of Mary Ann Dunsford, president; Maureen Starbuck, general chairman, and Sister Mary Roberta, class moderator. The evening's program consisted of a turkey dinner served by the juniors in the school cafeteria for lay faculty members and students, followed by a program of Christmas carols in the chapel and an entertainment in the auditorium.

As part of the Chapel program, six members of the Junior class formed a tableau depicting the birth of Christ. A duet was sung by Joyce Voss and Dolores Green, and Mary Helwig then read a prayer written for the Christmas program by Father Gilmore Guyot, C.M. At the conclusion of the prayer the student body sang a group of Christmas carols with a solo by Dolores Green.

In the auditorium Mary Ann Dunsford first welcomed the fac-

ulty and students on behalf of the Junior class and introduced the Senior class. Father Peter Satler, C. Ss. R., then presented the seniors with their school pins. The traditional faculty skit, written this year by Pat Paul and Jeanne Reno, was presented and, finally, each class sang an original Christmas song and then the school song.

Carrying out a general theme of "Toyland," the school was decorated Saturday, December 11, in preparation for the banquet and the Christmas holidays as follows:

The Ivy Room became "Santa's Workshop" under the direction of Ann Keefer, chairman, and her committee. "Candyland" is found in the cafeteria, Lois Steuver, chairman. The Pink Room and auditorium are "Santa's Office" and "The North Pole," respectively. Ann Kraft and Jackie Hellman were in charge of these two rooms. Jane Higgins supervised the decoration of the Colonnade where the invitation to the banquet was placed and a Nativity Scene was placed in the Loretto Hall Reading Room under the direction of Marg Wolfe and Ann O'Bryan to complete the Christmas decorations.

The remaining chairmen in charge of committees for the banquet were: Joan Dufner, chairman of the food committee; Violet Ball, Rosemary Collins, and Pat Cronin, invitations and escorts; Sally Wienecke, presents for the lay faculty; Rita Mae Sloan and Loretto Reynolds, Chapel program; Peggy Meyrose, table-setting; and Ann O'Bryan, programs and favors; Mary Virginia Cooper, toasts.

## Mother Edwarda Presents Statue Of Sacred Heart

A promise made to God almost fifteen years ago found fulfillment in the past few weeks when the statue commemorating the Sacred Heart of Jesus was erected on the campus.

During the depression very many colleges had the same difficulty as most families—that of meeting expenses. Webster College was no exception. But Reverend Mother Edwarda, because of her great faith in God and trust in His Providence, knew that He would provide for us. At this time, Reverend Mother Edwarda promised that a statue commemorating the Sacred Heart would be erected here at Webster College in thanksgiving to God for His Divine Protection.

This statue of the Sacred Heart will stand always as a constant reminder to Websterites of the power of Faith in God.

## Doris Schnur Wins Ping Pong Tourney

Doris Schnur, senior, won the pingpong championship of Webster College on December 9 by defeating Joyce Baber, freshman, in the final round of the tournament. The preliminary rounds were played off during the past few weeks.

The finals were played before the entire student body at the second meeting of the Athletic Association under the direction of Billie Doyle, chairman of the tournament.

Doris will receive the ping pong trophy for the year 1948-49.

## Senior Assembly Portrays Three Phases of Xmas

The traditional Senior Assembly was again held on Monday, December 12 in the school auditorium.

This year the seniors presented three phases of Christmas. The first phase presented Christmas in a typical Catholic home. This scene depicted Christmas cheer centering around the family with the mother, father and children decorating the tree.

The second part was the modern idea of a Commercial Christmas. This scene portrayed people hurriedly trying to get "last-minute" Christmas shopping done, bustling around in department stores, with the general attitude that Christmas is merely the exchanging of material gifts.

The third part exemplified the ideal Christmas, depicting the Nativity scene in different nationalities and races, stressing that Christmas should mean the same to all of us, regardless of nationality or race.

In the background of the three different scenes, Christmas carols were sung by members of the senior class under the chairmanship of Pat Waller.

Acting as chairman of the entire assembly was Ann Michenfelder, senior class president.

Other chairmen were: Choutz Baumgarten, chairman of Scenery; Kate Daly, chairman of the Props; Pat Andrew, chairman of Programs; Marty Unser, chairman of Lights; Anita Kopf, chairman of Costumes.

Each of the three parts presented were under separate direction. Jayne Payne and Betty Lou Taylor were the script writers and directors of the first part. Ginny Stack and Carole Rogles directed and wrote the script for the second part and Jo Serafini and Luke McAvoy directed and wrote the third part.

# This Is Your New Timely Topics Page

## Facts About the

### MAN WHO RULES SPAIN

In the Nov. 22 issue of *News Week* we find an account of an interview with General Franco by Edward Weintal, diplomat correspondent for the magazine. This interview, perhaps more than any other article or series of articles recently published by the American press, presents Franco in the unbiased light which he merits to be presented.

Franco has been accused of everything from Fascism to active participation in the War on the side of the Axis. We are fully aware that accurate information as to the veracity of these charges is extremely difficult to find because of the strict censorship of the Spanish press. Consequently we most accept the commentaries of those who knew him or those who spoke to him.

Mr. Weintal says of Franco, "Not once during the ninety minute talk were the words 'off the record' and 'for background only' used." This interview has been considered as one of the frankest interviews ever given by a Chief of State.

To our mind, the most ticklish question in the entire interview concerned the possible liberation of the Spanish regime.

Franco's answer was as follows: "We are doing everything toward liberalization that we think is consistent with the safety and welfare of the country. For instance, we are going to have municipal elections this month. But measures suitable for one country may be fatal to another. It is true that our workers cannot strike, but just the same the government is trying to give the workers even more

### Ireland Severs Bond With Great Britain; Citizens Jubilant

There was widespread rejoicing in Dublin and all Ireland the week-end of November 29th, when the Dail Eireann unanimously passed the Bill repealing the External Relations Act, severing the connection of Ireland with Britain as a member of its Commonwealth of Nations. The Bill removes all recognition of the British Crown and the authority of the British government from all official documents of Ireland in its business with foreign countries, particularly in the appointment of envoys, ambassadors and consuls.

The measure was not conceived in any spirit of hostility to the people of Britain or to the British Crown, but was promulgated to repeal the formal link with the Crown for diplomatic and other purposes, since the Bill provides for a fully independent Republic. Irish Premier John Costello said it was intended to have the British Commonwealth countries given citizenship rights in Ireland, in return for similar rights for Irish citizens in the Commonwealth countries. The law further provides that from henceforth the title of Ireland will be the Republic of Ireland, and will be recognized by the British Dominion.

There is one cause of friction now existing between Ireland and Britain—the partition of the  
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benefits than they could have received by striking.

Undoubtedly the reception of these words will be a cynical one on the part of avowed anti-Francoists. It will be classed as glib propaganda.

But lest we forget there was another American who knew Franco rather well. This was the eminent historian Carleton Hayes, who served as Ambassador to Spain from 1942 to 1945. In his book *War-time Mission in Spain*, Mr. Hayes points out that in the first years of the war the Caudillo was decidedly pro-German. He sent his famous Blue Legion to the African front to fight against the Allies. He gave Italy and Germany priority on wolfram (vital munitions material) exports. There were two reasons for his actions: (1) Germany and Italy had helped him substantially in his struggle against Communism. (2) They paid him a fair price for the wolfram. However, it was not long after Mr. Hayes' appointment that Mr. Franco began to negotiate with the United States. At that time our country had presented him with an economic program that would be beneficial to both countries, and not merely to the United States. The United States agreed to ship the petroleum badly needed by Spain to Franco in return for the wolfram priority. As a result of this transaction, Spain became more friendly to the Allied governments, although officially she still retained her status of "non-belligerency."

Whether the comments of Mr. Weintal or Mr. Hayes seem to justify Franco's action or not, there remains two concrete facts which no one, who is trying to make an intelligent study of Franco, can overlook.

Generalissimo Franco is the only government leader who has fought and defeated Communism. Long before we in America ever recognized Communism as the menace that it is, General Franco and his army fought valiantly against the Russian-supported Loyalist army in Spain. Secondly, Franco has affected an economic metamorphosis in Spain. In 1936, after the Reign of Terror, the country was financially paralyzed. Now, as is evident from Mr. Franco's foreign trade relations, Spain is well on the way to economic recovery.

Despite these two magnificent accomplishments, is there still a justification for the criticism of Franco's methods? Does he not seem to be an exponent of the theory that the end justifies the means?

After the Civil War, Franco cruelly punished all Loyalist supporters as Communists. The ethical question that arises is, "Were all these people 'Reds'? We have good reason to believe that many of these people were sincere Spaniards led by a Communist minority which had infiltrated the country during the political chaos of the early thirties. Franco was obviously not a man of scrupulous discernment in meting out punishment.

Does he prohibit freedom of the press and the right to vote because he fears the defeat of his own regime or because he fears Communist infiltration?

Only Franco can answer these questions. All we can do is accept his actions at face value.  
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### Mr. Manley Asks and Answers: Why Go To Webster?

For those of you who remember the days when logic seemed illogical and Mr. Manley bore up under the brunt of, "But I don't understand the circle of opposition," this article is for you. Soon after he taught you logic, Mr. Manley took a three years' leave of absence (the relationship of those two statements is not as most would think). Mr. Michael F. Manley, instructor in the department of philosophy, took a leave of absence in order to study for his Doctorate at the Medieval Institute in Toronto, Ontario. He obtained his Bachelor of Literature Degree from Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio, and his Master's Degree in Philosophy was earned at St. Louis University. Mr. Manley will return to Web-



MICHAEL F. MANLEY

ster in the school year of 1950-51, but he is teaching here during the summer session. In the meantime he sends us a treatise on "Why Attend Webster College" which we feel is a minor triumph after the many dissertations he has delivered on the general incapability of woman.

"Why attend any College," begins Mr. Manley, "if not to get an education? Why attend Webster College, if not to get a Catholic education? That's it exactly. But, have you ever analyzed that concept: A Catholic Education?"

"If you haven't then your being at Webster College is an unhappy accident. If you have analyzed it you will realize that it is not an empty Kantian form — as some modern educators would lead one to believe. On the contrary, you will be thrilled with the beauty of a living, dynamic, integral, but highly complex, reality; the over-emphasis or suppression of any part of which results in a tragic caricature; to wit, Nazism, Liberalism, Communism and Scientism, the modern Worship of Science for its own sake."

"That which makes the concept of Catholic education alive is the fact that the Catholic College recognizes the true ordination of the whole individual towards a trinity of values: life, love, liberty. Not just college life—not merely life in its economic aspects. It envisions the ability and desire to render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to your own Soul that things that are its; the ability to savour the true social life, based upon mutual understanding and and consideration of the right to think and express graciously self.  
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### DOES CHRISTMAS COMMEMORATE PAGAN FEAST OF JANUS?

Christmas is not becoming more materialistic or commercialized, as so many of our contemporaries bemoan. On the contrary, it now brings men closer to one another, makes them more thoughtful and charitable; whereas in its origin, which dates back to the ancient Romans (and not to the first century, as so many people believe) Christmas was only a pagan celebration in honor of Janus, the deity of the new year.

Upon reading the above paragraph, which is a summary of an editorial published last year by *Student Life* of Washington University, any Catholic—or for that matter, any Christian—will immediately either become indignant, or pity the poor people who believe in that theory of the origin of Christmas.

"Why, everyone knows Christmas celebrates Jesus' birthday!" he will exclaim somewhat

amused; "the very name tells us so . . . the idea of leaving Christ out of it!"

Yet some of these Christians—yes, even us Catholics — who think of every possible acquaintance whom we can send cards, and who check and recheck the gift list to see that no one is overlooked, never think of making ready some little gift for the Baby; and we seldom even give Christ a second thought during all that time of preparation for the celebration of His birthday.

Certainly, we go to Mass on Christmas—we have to; in the Gospel we read about the birth of Christ, about the adoration of the shepherds, about the angels' song. And still we concentrate on "peace to men of good will" and forget all about giving "Glory to God in the highest."

We wonder how far we are above those who believe that the feast of Janus is the origin of Christmas. . . .

### Catholic Journalists Can CHANGE THE WORLD

Dorothy Day, assistant editor of *The Catholic Worker*, once said that the Catholic journalist who wants to enter the fight against Communism should begin with Mass and Communion every day. Then he would become a better journalist because he would be a better man. In other words, you have to be a good Catholic before you can even attempt to be a good Catholic journalist.

Few people realize that putting out a good newspaper is a moral responsibility. They look upon writing a good story as something finite, something mundane and separated distinctly from the supra-mundane. They forget that man has his physical and spiritual faculties integrated within him and that there is a definite relationship between his writing a good story and his duty towards God. The Catholic journalist realizes this

and makes it the fundamental thought behind all his work.

The power of the press in America looms large. It shapes opinions, instills ideas, and changes many minds, not only through editorials and columns, but by its ordinary news stories. It is customary for most newspapers to engage in what is called "slanting" stories so that they will appear favorable to their point of view or unfavorable to that of their opponents. Too often the "slant" violates basic Christian moral principles. Here, then, is a missionary field for the good Catholic journalist—the secular press. Here is a situation calling for the Christopher approach — bearing Christ into the daily newspapers.

The journalist is responsible for the influence he has on his readers. He has the power to give them a Christian attitude or a pagan one. The good Catholic journalist will be able to write with Catholic principles and give his readers the Christian attitude.

It will be hard at first. He will be among those who don't agree with him or approve of his philosophy. But if he is a truly good Catholic journalist, God will give him the grace to persevere. The man aspiring to Catholic  
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#### Meditation While Reading the New Yorker Ads

Christmas—  
Birthday of Christ—  
Brings warmth and joy to all.  
For Christ alone the day will be  
So cold.

—Toni Uranga

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# MEMOS FROM THE MESDAMES

by Jane and Jody

"Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells."

"Madame La Gazzip, What ARE you doing?"

"Madame La Znoop, I like the record Jingle Bells played in six different languages, but I don't know the words so I sing the English words six times instead—Jingle Bells, Jin..."

"Ooh stop this nonsense. Speaking of nonsense I saw Jean Kelly all wound up in a ball of yarn last week in an attempt to p.s.s.o. She thought it meant 'pull slit stitch off.'"

"Madame La Gazzip, Mary Ellen Kilker seemed to be having an equal amount of difficulty in stepping from her bathtub one night after lights out. Do see her for details."

"She was just lucky that Joan Mazzoni didn't walk in on her with that new pet of hers, Madame La Znoop. Do you know that that little green animal was the cause of the sudden rise in popularity of the old tune, 'You Do Something to Me'?"

"We of the Educational Psychology class wonder how many credits Ginny Williams is getting for the course. Everybody else gets three, but of course everybody else doesn't walk in ten minutes before the bell rings all the time. Yes, Madame La-Gazzip, she's still **very** pompous."

"Madame La Znoop, if you hear of anyone's needing a hot water bottle, refer her to Mary Hellwig. She's more than glad to lend hers now that it's been returned after three weeks — or was it months?"

"But have you heard Patty Whittington's method of avoiding embarrassment, Madame La Gazzip? She advises us to purchase a wastebasket."

"Betty Ainsworth has a new motto, Madame La Znoop. It's 'Don't believe everybody all the time.' Thanks to her friends, she was firmly convinced that stew was the 'piece de resistance' for Thanksgiving dinner."

"Madame La Znoop, whenever you want to get in touch with

someone in a strange place, just ask Ginny Stack to look her up for you. She called for everything but Room Service at the Park Plaza a few weeks ago, trying to get in touch with Betty Lou. Quarters in the phone means nawsing to her."

"By the way, Madame La Gazzip, I've got to tell you the conversation of our visiting friends from Incarnate Word."

"Why? What did they say? What did they do?"

"Well, Madame La Gazzip, it seems they were looking at one of the view books that had been given them. After looking at the pictures they would give their comments on the real things they had seen throughout the day. It was very sweet, but I laughed when they discussed the Red Room and wished that they could have seen it. (I had seen them in the Ivy Room not more than an hour before.)"

"Ah, Madame La Znoop, but I don't think there's much confusion in the minds of the boys from Sodality Union. They know a good prefect when they see one. Why, they call our Rosemary all the time for information!"

"Concerning the Sodality, Madame La Gazzip?"

"No, Madame La Znoop—her weekends."

"Say, our sleeping beauties have no trouble finding a chance to sleep, do they Saner?"

"Madame La Znoop, speaking of sleeping beauties, have pity on Doris Freeman. The day the English Majors had their seminar on **Utopia** and **Consolations of Philosophy**, Miss Freeman finished laboriously reading the **Iliad**, and **Odyssey**. With the help of Miss Toole, Doris discovered her mistake and began to read the assigned books rapidly. Came seminar time and Doris didn't take notes."

"Did she already have them written, Madame La Gazzip?"

"No, Madame LaZnoop, it's just that she was catching up on her dreams of the night before."

"Mary Jane Wieck has a cure (Continued on Page Four)

# Mary Go Round

By Jeanne Reno

Assuming a dignified air, I walked gracefully up the side aisle of the Chapel of All Saints, genuflected, and slid silently into a pew. It was the First Friday of December and I had signed the adoration list for the 10:35 period. I knelt and said a few words of greeting to Our Lord before I began rummaging through my purse for my rosary. After an extended search during which my companion cast pitying glances in my direction, I finally resigned myself to the horrible truth. My rosary was nestled cosily in my coat pocket; my prayer book was sitting precariously on the top shelf of my locker!

What to do! Ah, inspiration... all this time my elbows had been resting on someone's private pew pocket. Knowing that the owner of the pew would certainly want to help me in this hour of need (and I do mean hour), I cautiously raised the lid and peered into its dark depths. But alas... to my disappointment, I discovered only a thin (Continued on Page Four)

# Dr. Donovan Reports On Talk With Clay

Wiesbaden, Germany

Not long ago I talked with General Lucius Clay, the Head of Military Government in Germany. Two thoughts he left with me and I think that they are worthy of repetition. The General stated that the American Military Government in Germany has not taught the German people to hate Americans—a condition which often times is associated with the army of occupation. Secondly General Clay said that after the army of occupation had gone home—that term included military, economical, political and the related forces—the educational, cultural, and religious units would remain behind, since their routes are deeper. It is encouraging to work with and under such a leader who sees and understands both, the present critical problems and the permanent and lasting objectives at one and the same time.

**Editor's note**—In case some of the Websterites would like to send Dr. Donovan a Christmas card, this is his permanent address:

Dr. George F. Donovan  
APO 633 OMGH \* E & CR  
c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

hands, I know—so full of careless and thoughtless deeds. But still they are hands that are willing to do and do—ones that want to make her stronger in every way—ones that promise to make her more beautiful and more cherished.

And so there you have it. My gifts seem selfish, don't they? I'm giving to everyone a part of me that I might receive something better in return. And yet I don't mean to be selfish, really. I'm giving the best I have at present, in hopes that in the years to come my best will become better and better. What is giving, but receiving too... and no one truly receives without giving in return.

That's the real deep down Christmas spirit that should be our Webster spirit every day—red and green wrappings or not.

This is my Christmas wish for 1948. Good-bye now and God bless you.

# Bethlehem Communique

December 26, Jerusalem. Verified reports have come from Bethlehem, a village not far south of here, that the long-awaited Jewish Messiah has appeared. A great number of the members of the house of David are in Bethlehem at present to register for the latest census ordered by Caesar Augustus. According to Semitic literature, the Promised One will come from the line of David, to which the parents of the Child, born at midnight December 25, belong.

Three ambassadors from the royal courts of the East think that the Child is to be King of the Jews. They stopped at King Herod's court on their way to visit the Infant and present Him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. King Herod cannot be reached for comments at present, but it is rumored that he considers the Child a usurper to the throne. The three kings are learned men and pointed out several written prophecies which indicate the kingship of the Child. "And thou Bethlehem the land of Juda art not the least among the princes of Juda; for out of thee shall come forth the captain that shall rule my people Israel." The Magi also cited another passage which indicates that this King is more than worldly. "Behold a virgin shall be with child, and bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted, is, God with us." It is expected that King Herod will take measures immediately to safeguard his throne. The wise men will not return to the court of the king; they say they have been warned in a dream that Herod means to do harm to the new Prince of Peace.

An interesting astronomical phenomenon occurred at the time of the birth. An extremely bright and beautiful star never seen before appeared in the sky over Bethlehem. The reports of two different groups of people seem to indicate that it has some connection with the birth

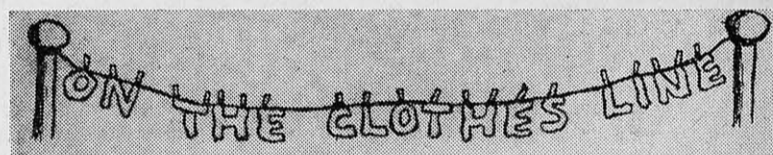
of the Baby. The three kings said they followed the star to Bethlehem. Some shepherds watching their flocks also followed the star to the place where the Child lay wrapped in swaddling clothes and worshipped Him with the kings. It is a rather new occurrence in the history of kingly custom that these hill folk were the first visitors to one so important. (Some commentators have voiced the opinion that the Messias makes no distinction between people with regard to race, color, or class.)

The shepherds said they were covered with a great light and an angel appeared to them, saying not to be afraid, for Christ the Lord, a Saviour, was born in Bethlehem. Then a heavenly choir began to sing "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men of good will." There seems to be no other explanation for the shepherd's knowledge of the event in the village.

Mary and Joseph, of Nazareth, Galilee, are the Child's parents. Joseph is a carpenter. They were forced to seek lodging for the night in a stable because all the inns were filled with others registering in Bethlehem. No pink satin pillowed the crib of their firstborn Son; He was laid in a manger. The Child will be named Jesus.



# Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



by Mary Thornhill

Whether you'll actually be home for Christmas or home only in your dreams, let's just suppose for a while.

Let's suppose there is a huge Christmas tree that touches the ceiling and that perched daintily on the top is a little Christmas angel. Under the brilliantly decorated tree, next to the Crib are stacks of packages, all shapes and sizes. Let's start opening them. That tiny one over there looks interesting. Well, what do you know, scatter pins, just what you wanted for that wool jersey blouse or the lumberbund of your black skirt.

The next package contained a lovely rhinestone bracelet, the stones set in a delicate gold background. My, he has wonderful taste!

Isn't she a doll?—Your little sister, that is. Nothing could have pleased you more than that distinctively different, Webster College stationery.

Mother beams as you practically swoon over that luscious, creamy, winter white dress; of course you dropped enough hints about wanting it.

The alligator shoes and matching bag from Aunt Jane complement that new suit perfectly.

You feel like your'e wearing a Schaperelli creation.

The packages just never seem to end. You continue to find lovely things like tailored, silk P.J.'s and with your monogram too; a taffeta half slip, with a wide, wide ruffle, and those snowy white gloves with the flowers applied on the back.

That quilted robe and the soft, downy "mules" should do the trick on cold winter mornings.

The "kid brother" really out-did himself when he selected that pearl rope for you. Why you can see it now, worn knotted over a sweater or like a choker with that blouse that has the plain neckline.

You wonder how Susie (your best girl friend) knew you wanted one of those accordion pleated scarfs.

You finally get to the large box on the bottom. You knew it was from Dad so you purposely saved it until last. Now you always loved those Canadian beaver coats, but never in your wildest dreams did you expect one for Christmas, yet here it is, right in front of you—soft, luxurious and durable.

With these lovely gifts around you, it seems you couldn't be happier, for you are a very lucky lass.

# WHIMSY

## Websterites Christmas Wish

Hello there... I'm quite sure I need no introduction. You all know me fairly well—or have seen me around at least. I'm Miss Websterite... a rather familiar figure around this vicinity—be it in the classroom, at a basketball game, in a student production, in the caf, at a Webster dance, in the Ivy Room, or at a Sodality meeting. I'm not going to tell you what class I'm in, or whether I'm a boarder or day hop, for, you see, that doesn't count anyway. Here at Webster we're all one big family—and a rather happy one at that.

It's Christmas time at Webster now and I'm very glad I'm here. Like everyone else, I'm getting a little soft inside and ever so sentimental. I love Webster even more during this particular time of the year because then the good old Webster spirit is wrapped up in red and green and suddenly it becomes the Christmas spirit as only we can know it.

Along with the Banquet, the Christmas Pageant, the Senior Assembly, the traditional Christmas Carols and the Ivy Room Christmas Tree comes the usual exchange of gifts and greetings. I have many gifts to give this

year, and I'm so afraid what in the rush of the holiday season the opportune moment may not present itself. And so, I would like to distribute my presents now — small as they are — but nevertheless filled with all the love this Websterite can muster.

To the Baby Jesus and His lovely mother I give this soul. It's not a perfect soul, I know—so full of the material things of this world. But still it is a soul that's willing to try again and again—one that wants to be good in every way — one that promises to look above this world to heaven.

To the faculty of Webster College I give this mind. It's not a perfect mind, I know—so full of shallow thought. But still it's a mind that is willing to think and think—one that wants to be bettered in every way—one that promises to learn the deeper side of life.

To the students I give this heart. It's not a perfect heart, I know—so full of girlish cattiness and petty prejudice. But still it's a heart that is willing to love and love—one that wants to grow in friendship in every way—one that promises to be loyal in spite of spite.

To Webster, I give these two hands. They are not perfect

## M. Hoffman, P. Paul Chosen To Chairman Production Of February Musicale

At a recent meeting of the Student Government Association, the members elected Mary Margaret Hoffman and Patricia Paul chairman and assistant chairman, respectively, of the Student Musicale to be presented February 18, 19, and 20. This Musicale will be the annual project sponsored by the Association. The chairmen have chosen Our Lady of Fatima as the Patroness, and every day at 12:45 the students will pause to say a prayer together imploring her aid. Sister Mary Louise will again be the Moderator, a position Sister has filled before.

A resident from Paducah, Ky., Mary Margaret Hoffman is a senior, majoring in English and minoring in music. In her soph-



MARY MARGARET HOFFMAN

omore year she was one of three girls chosen by audition to play with the St. Louis Woman's Symphony in a concert at the College. In both her sophomore and junior years at Webster she has been chairman of the music committee for the Musicale, and since her freshman year, has done a great part of the piano accompaniment for various entertainments. Last year Mary Margaret was also treasurer of the Student Government Association and a member of the *Lauretunum* Staff, and elected by the students to *Who's Who*. This year she is treasurer of the

### Music Department

The junior and senior music majors presented their annual recital at the assembly on Monday, November 29. On the following Thursday at 1:00 p.m. the sophomore music majors presented their recital for the students.

The Webster Choral Club under the direction of Miss Mary Kay Stamper sang at University High School on December 15. Among other selections were: *A Shepherd's Christmas Song*, *Lo, How a Rose Ere Blooming*, *A Christmas Song*, and *Patapan*.

Webster girls will go caroling during the Christmas season. Among the places where they will carol are the Melbourne and Sheraton Hotels; they will also sing over the air.

Four Webster girls, Ruth Schumacher, Delores Green, Betty Ann Compton and Adrienne Goldstein, sang at a convention for the Brotherhood of Christians and Jews on December 6 at the Chase Hotel.

**"MEMOS"** (Contd. from Pg. 3) for those who have sleepless nights—nice long walks especially on Sunday nights."

"Madame La Gazzip, I certainly wish I knew who those secretive Seniors are. Side by side they insist on keeping their sparkling Christmas gift a secret."

I.R.C., a member of the *Lorette* Staff and President of the Kentucky Section Club.

To aid Mary Margaret in her duties, Patricia Paul was elected



PATRICIA PAUL

assistant chairman. Patricia, a speech major, is a St. Louisan, and has been interested in dramatics for some time. A graduate from Loretta Academy, she has been active in the Roof-Top Theatre, and in the St. Louis Hills' Little Theatre. In her freshman year at Webster Pat had the lead in *Alice in Wonderland*.

The Committee Chairmen as announced are:

Scenery—Betty Lou Taylor  
Dance—Kate Daly  
Props—Mary Hellwig  
Make-up—June Murphy  
Song—Pat Waller  
Costumes—Nancy Braeckel and Lucille McAvoy  
Music—Jean Reno  
Ads and patrons—Jackie Hellman and Ginny Stack  
Programs—Joan Poat and Ginny Cooper  
Tickets and Ushers — Bertha Henry  
Publicity—Ann Keefer and Bonny Jostedt  
Lights—Toni Uranga  
Stage Manager—Marty Unser

The chairmen also wish to announce that there will be as many leads in the Musicale as there are participants, so everyone is urged to try-out.

### Mr. Manley Says:

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formulated opinions; the ability to note the essential difference between life on the natural level and life on the Supernatural level, which ability entails the knowledge of the true locus of the love of God and of neighbor, which in turn shows us how to be loved, by teaching us how first to love truly. Finally, there is the training in the proper meaning and function of liberty. The freedom to see the truth in error. Error, says St. Augustine, is truth in disarray. Your task as Catholic educated women is to rearrange and reorder the disarray."

Among the necessary adjuncts which give the living spirit found at Webster, Mr. Manley listed: controlled social activity; training in democratic procedure through student government facilities; training in student-teacher relationship; training in international understanding; and training in the cultural cosmopolitan outlook through the student exchange system and a readiness to grant extended leaves of absences to the faculty for study and travel.

"All these," concluded Mr. Manley, "conspire to make Catholic Education. But a word of caution is in place: Webster College offers the facilities; it is your task to make them dynamic for you."

### "Earnest" Is Huge Success At Webster

With the presentation of Oscar Wilde's comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest," on Nov. 18, 19, 20 and 21 in the Webster College Theatre, the Loretto Players officially opened its present season.

The play was directed by Miss Margaret Speer, and the cast was as follows: John Worthing—Wallace Hoss; Algernon Moncrieff—Don Sullivan; Rev. Canon Chasuble—Jack Carpenter; Cecily Cardew, Jack's ward—Betty Lou Taylor; Gwendolen Fairfax Algy's cousin—Rita Krebs; Lady Bracknell, Gwendolen's mother—Rose Marie Saner; Miss Prism, governess to Cecily—Betty Jean Compton; Mrs. Lane, housekeeper to Algy—Joan Hoogstraet; and Marie, maid to Cecily—Mitzi Catanzaro.

The play, which is a comedy of manners and satirizes London society of 1895, deals with the complications that arise when both Algernon and Jack impersonate the latter's imaginary brother Ernest in order to make love to Cecily and Gwendolen.

The fact that Lady Bracknell, Gwendolen's mother, will not allow her to marry John because he was found in "a handbag in the cloakroom of a large railway station," and that John will not therefore allow his ward, Cecily, to marry Algernon, complicate matters further, but everything is solved satisfactorily when it is discovered that John is Algernon's brother and that his name is really Ernest.

### Laval Awards Honor Certificate To Webster

The French Department of Webster College has received a Certificate of Honor from Laval University in Quebec, Canada, in recognition for having contributed seventy dollars to the 1948 University Expansion Drive. This money was raised from donations made by students of French who have been awarded scholarships from Webster to attend the summer sessions of that University.

Those who contributed to the Expansion Drive fund are: Betty Schweitzer, Carmen Melendez, Margie O'Brien, Lorraine Ludwig, Mary Grace Kane, Barbara Leuchtefeld, Mary Gebhart, Ann Stull, Anna Marie Alsobrook, Maureen Glaser, Veronica Westermeyer, Joan Krebs, Muriel Hoogstraet, Lucille Murphy, Margaret Ann Fillo, Mary Jane Higgins, Lois Stuever, Georgianne McVay, Violet Ball, Angela Donati, Mitzi Catanzaro, Joan Whalen and Josephine Willard.

### Catholic Journalism

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journalism, therefore, really has two duties. First, he must be a good Catholic, well-versed in the basic principles of Catholicism with a working knowledge of their practical application. Secondly, he has the duty of being a "crackerjack" journalist in all the technical phases of his profession. These two factors are the minimum requirement; only when they are acquired will the Catholic journalist be fulfilling his double duty. Only then will he realize the difference between a journalist who is a Catholic and a Catholic journalist. Armed with his faith and his knowledge, the Catholic journalist will be able to invade the realm of the newspaper, the greatest disseminator of secularism in the United States today. Then, and only then, through the power he has to cultivate a Christian sense of morality in his readers, will he, too, be able to change the world.

## CAUGHT IN THE WEB

by Googan McVay

Most conspicuous among the girls who work in the dining room are the Sloans from Morrisonville, Illinois. The two redheads are Martha, freshman, and Rita Mae, junior. Black-haired Sammie complains of being the mistreated "middle child." All three have distinguished themselves in several ways; Rita Mae at an early age, by her unusual collection of hat boxes; Sammie by her performance on the trumpet in the orchestra and elsewhere; Martha by her overlooking Phys. Ed. classes for half a semester. (She now goes four times a week.) Martha's friends must know some secret about how many feet she has—she got three pairs of bedroom slippers for her birthday. We remember Sammie for her "Blues in the Night" number with Rita Mae in musicale last year, for her bereavement at the death of Abraham (close playmate of her dog Jeremiah), and for her elephant memory that gets her 99 in philosophy test. Soc major Rita Mae has a pleasing voice if you'd like a few prose selections read aloud to you. She's secretary of the Sodality.

Another Sodality officer is Treasurer Susie Buckler. Susie is from Loretto, Kentucky, but went to high school in Kansas City. She thinks she's the model for Sociable Susie. Let me tip you off that she has more than a little to do with the fact that we get jelly roll for dessert. She says she's just trying to cheer us up when it comes but I know a triumphant look when I see one. Susie is the owner of the lamented Abraham. She is a member of Eta Sigma Phi.

Joan Romey is Susie's faithful room mate and another member of the gang that Sr. Helen Clare sends outside to play and use up their excess energy. Her Toronto, Ohio, accent used to fascinate me when she got bawxes of goodies from her mother. Joan spent this first semester on hayrides and trips to Sterling.

Moberly's valentine (the future Sr. Mary Valentine), Sister Roberta's poet laureate, Patty Whittington is a clutched up junior English major who transferred from Moberly Junior College. She's the new girl who runs around her dining room like a panicky Mad Hatter. If you have any old books to sell try to push them on her. She bought half a Shakespeare book and doesn't even take the course. Patty is a forward on the varsity.

When you think of Pat Higgins you think of little stuffed animals. Not that she looks that way—so few pandas have red hair — but

### IRELAND

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Irish Commonwealth into the Twenty-Six Counties controlled by the Irish Republic, and the Six Counties of Northeast Ulster, under the political control of Great Britain. Since Britain has neither a moral nor legal warrant to hold the Six County Area, Ireland is rightly anxious to be released from this bondage to the Crown. The upsurge of nationalist sentiment consequent with the action of the government in removing the external connection with Britain is bound to affect the Partition's removal. When this last issue is settled, Ireland will reach its complete national status, which has been the firm faith and fond hope of every loyal Son of the Sod since the Easter Week Rebellion of 1916, when Ireland first dared call herself a Republic.

they're her favorite room decoration. Cats are her first choice. Pat is a freshman from Macomb, Illinois; she sometimes rides in the baggage car of the C. B. & Q. She is majoring in history.

Pat Flood thought she was coming out west when she came to St. Louis, since she'd never been farther west than New Jersey. She expected to see horses running all over the place, and even thought about bringing her own. She hates drying silver; she comes from a family of thirteen (Pat is sixth from the bottom) and won't stop drying silver by the tray even during vacation.

The treasurer of the sophomore class, Joan Peters, was a day hop last year and worked in the caf. Now she lives on the second floor, next to the Sloan-Buckler-Romey-McGinn gang. Joan is a math major with an English majorish love for poetry, especially "If." She's the seamstress of the dining room girls; another domestic specialty is her Toll House cookies. Joan is from Effingham, Illinois.

When Ann Blandford lost her voice all the hordes of people she teases screamed practically simultaneously, "Hope it's gone for about forty-seven years." Ann is a freshman from Loretto, Kentucky. Here's a how-dumb-can-you-get story about her. She bunked her beds by putting the bottom bunk on top unattached. Someone came to her rescue before the accident occurred.

### Mary-Go-Round

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hymn book with arsis thesis dynamics curving around the numbers. Now what was it that Father said at Tuesday night devotions about "prayers being silver but hymns are gold"? Assured that my fellow adorers would not enjoy a rendition at this time, I restrained myself and started to say the rosary. Lucky thing I happened to have ten fingers...just enough for each mystery.

After finishing the rosary I sat down for a short time to relieve my housemaid's knees. While trying to settle myself for some meditation, my glance rested on a very small black notebook perched unassumingly in the corner of the pew. I picked it up and began thumbing through it. To my amazement, it was a prayer book—you know, the kind you make yourself with holy cards and accompanying prayers or aspirations.

Now, I had never read anyone's "private" prayer book before, so I decided this was my chance. Gleeefully I thumbed through the pages of pretty pictures and read some of the shorter prayers. This sure was cute. I made a mental note to make one for myself some day so I could show everyone how clever I could be.

Well, there were a few more diversions. Once the kneeler squeaked when someone kneeled on it and many times the heavy silence was broken by cracking knees. These were always good for a snicker. But my companion was completely devoid of a sense of humor and refused to accompany me when I politely poked her arm to let her know something humorous had just occurred. Some people are like that.

Finally the welcome bell rang and I was free to leave. Quickly I got up and left so I wouldn't be obstructed by others who were staying longer. At least I had done my duty. Only I hoped that next time I wouldn't forget my prayer book. It was too hard getting along without it.

# Moderators Announce Editors For '49-'50

## Four Graduate At Webster's First Mid-Term Exercises

On Monday afternoon, January 31, four students were graduated from Webster College at special commencement exercises held in the college auditorium. This was the first time formal exercises were held for mid-term graduates of Webster.

Charlotte Baumgarten, Owensboro, Kentucky, a transfer student from Mount Saint Joseph College, Maple Mount, Ky., received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and graduated *magna cum laude*. Betty Burke Emmick, Lewisport, Ky., also transferred from Mount Saint Joseph. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry, graduating *cum laude*. Both Lois Fisher, Shreveport, La., and Jacqueline Ann Laux, St. Louis, Mo., received Bachelor of Science degrees in dietetics.

The commencement exercises were attended by relatives of the graduates and by the student body who filed into the auditorium as Mary Margaret Hoffman, '49, played "Pomp and Circumstance", the processional.

Reverend Gilmore H. Guyot, C.M., M., Professor of Sacred Scripture at Kenrick Seminary and a former member of the Webster College faculty, gave the invocation and the commencement address. In his address Father Guyot pointed out the contrast between the attitude toward God in non-sectarian colleges and universities and the emphasis placed upon God in a Catholic college. Father said that as a result of this difference in training the graduates of Webster College know their particular place in the world and are prepared to fill it.

At the conclusion of the talk, Sister Rose Maureen, Dean of Studies, presented the candidates for degrees. Sister Mariella, Acting-President of Webster College in the absence of Doctor George F. Donovan, then conferred the degrees, after which Father Guyot said the closing prayer and Mary Margaret Hoffman played the recessional, "Praise Ye the Father".

## "Fantasy In Fashion" Comes To Life Here

A "Fantasy in Fashion" will be presented on Friday evening, February 18, in the Saint Louis University Gymnasium, 3672 West Pine Blvd. The Fashion Show is being sponsored by the St. Louis Region of the National Federation of Catholic College Students.

Models for the Fashion Show will be students from Fontbonne, Maryville, and Webster Colleges and from Saint Louis University, all member schools of the NFCCS. The girls are under the direction of Mrs. Mildred Savage of the Savage Studios in Saint Louis. Tickets to the show will be \$1.50 general admission, with a special student rate of \$2.00 per couple.

Proceeds from the show will be used for the benefit of the Student Relief Campaign. The national goal is \$500,000, of which \$10,000 is to be raised by student activity in the Saint Louis area. The money will be used to provide food, clothing, books, laboratory equipment and other necessities for impoverished students of war-devastated countries.

Costumes for the Fashion Show will be donated by various clothing manufacturers and retailers of Saint Louis. Following "Fantasy in Fashion" a dance will be held in the Gymnasium for the entertainment of the guests.

LAURETANUM



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ANGELA DONATI

LORETTINE



GEORGIANNE McVAY

## New Publication Heads Revealed Publicly Today

Next year's editors of the *Web* and the *Lauretanum* were announced recently by the moderator of both publications, Sister Edwin Mary, S. L. Miss Angela Donati, junior, has been appointed editor of the *Web* for the year 1949-50 and Miss Joan Romey, sophomore, will edit the 1950 edition of the *Lauretanum*. At the same time, Sister Mary Louise, S. L., moderator of the *Lorette*, revealed that Miss Georgianne McVay will edit the literary magazine during 1949-50.

Angela Donati, '50, next year's *Web* editor, is a graduate of Southwest High School, St. Louis, Mo. She has been a member of the *Web* staff for two years, serving as Make-Up Editor in her sophomore year and as Assistant Editor this year. She is also editing the 1949 edition of the *Lauretanum*. Angela is an English major with minors in French and history, and has been on the honor roll since her first semester at Webster. Last October she was appointed to be included in *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities* by the faculty. In her sophomore year, Angela was sent as a delegate to the National Catholic Press Association at Marquette University. After graduation the new editor of the *Web* intends to work for her Master's degree in journalism.

Joan Romey, '51, lives in Toronto, Ohio, and attended Toronto High School. The editor of the *Lauretanum* of 1950 is an English  
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## Education Minors Begin Student Teaching

Miss Dorothy Andrews, assistant professor of education, announced that the seniors minoring in education are now qualified to begin their practice teaching.

Adeline and Maejeine Reinheimer are doing their student teaching in Art at Kirkwood High School with Mrs. Vorhees, Art teacher of the school.

Rosemary Schmuck, Margaret Unser and Ann Michenfelder are doing student teaching in Speech at Nerinx High School with Miss Jeanne Higgins, Speech teacher at the school.

Virginia Stack is scheduled to teach Literature in the eighth grade at Mary, Queen of Peace School under the direction of Sister Mary Leon.

Mary Clare Toole will teach Social Studies at Mary, Queen of Peace School with Sister Philomena, seventh grade teacher.

Rosemary Hughes, Jane Payne and Elvera Parr will teach English at Nerinx High School. Virginia Williams will teach Spanish and English under the guidance of Sister Francis de Sales and Miss Andrews.

Josephine Serafini is scheduled to teach first year Spanish under the direction of Sister Francis de Sales.

Connie Richter and Kim Mathis are scheduled to teach Music. Miss Pech will make occasional visits to assist in that work.

Joan Krebs is scheduled to teach French in Miss Ludwig's room. Sister Roberta will make occasional visits to this room.

Miss Andrews will visit each student teacher at least three times during the time of her student teaching.

These students will receive their teachers' certificates in June.

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## Competitive Scholarship Exams Given Here; 6 Offered Annually

Webster College was the examination center for seniors from nearby schools who participated in the Competitive Scholarship Examination on Saturday, Feb. 5.

There were 14 other centers throughout the United States where tests were given to determine the winners of the three academic and the three music scholarships offered every year by Webster College. More than 120 high school seniors, from thirty-six schools in eleven states, took the examination.

The candidates for scholarships must rank in the upper fourth of their class, and are required to take an intelligence test, a high school achievement test, and an English aptitude test.

The scholarships offered are as follows: in the academic department, the Charles Nerinckx Four Year Scholarship, valued at \$1600, for resident students only; the Mary Rhodes Four Year Scholarship, valued at \$800, for resident students only; and the Nancy Haven Four Year Scholarship, valued at \$800, for day students only; and in the music department, the Mother Philomene Kenny Four Year Scholarship in Piano, the Mother Wilfred Lamotte Scholarship in Voice; and the Mother Edith Loughran Four Year Scholarship in Violin, with a value of \$800 each.

Sister Rose Maureen, Dean of Studies of the College, was in charge of the entire program.

## Daughters Date Dads At Club Caprice Feb. 21

The annual Dads' and Daughters' Banquet and Informal Dinner Dance will be held on Monday, February 21 at 6:30 p. m. in "The Club Caprice" of the Sheraton Hotel. Dancing will be to the music of Benny Rader's Orchestra.

It is estimated that the cost can be held to \$4.50 per person. Remittances should be sent to Secretary Joseph Wissing, in care of Webster College. There will be no ticket sales at the door.

MAKE A DATE FOR...

## 53 Websterites Merit Places On School Honor Roll

First Semester, 1948-49

Seniors	
A	B
Andrew, Patricia	14 3
Coyle, Mary Agnes	10 6
Gonzalez, Etelvina	17 —
Hoffman, Mary Margaret	11 5
King, Mary Frances	9 —
Kopf, Anita	8 8
Krebs, Joan Marie	17 —
Kroner, Mary Ann	9 8
McAvoy, Lucille	12 4
Medley, Mary	14 3
Michenfelder, Ann	10 6
Saner, Rose Marie	15 4
Schnur, Doris	10 6
Stack, Virginia	15 —
Taylor, Elizabeth L.	18 —
Vieten, Gloria	10 7

Juniors	
A	B
Ball, Violet	8 12
Carroll, Marie	8 10
Cooper, Mary Virginia	13 6
Donati, Angela	15 3
Kraft, Ann	11 6
McVay, Georgianne	17 —
Meyrose, Margaret	11 7
Shen, Rosaline	13 4
Smith, Marilyn	10 8
Stuever, Lois	16 3
Tung, Juliana	12 5

Sophomores	
A	B
Ahearn, Margaret	14 —
Elsy, Shirley	12 6
Jablonski, Jeanette	13 4
Lee, Lucy	11 5
Mazzoni, Grace	8 8
Monnig, Alma Rose	11 7
Pearson, Helen	14 5
Peters, Joan	11 6
Schumacher, Ruth	14 4
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## Editors of "TODAY," "INTEGRITY" To Speak

Carol Jackson, co-editor of *Integrity*, who spoke recently at the St. Louis Institute of Catholic High School Principals on "Principles of the Modern Revolution," will talk to the faculty and student body of Webster College on Friday, Feb. 18 at 8:45 a. m.

Lois Schumacher, assistant editor of *Today* will address the journalism classes and the members of the *Lorette* and *Web* staffs on the subject of "Writing and the Lay Apostolate," at 3:30 on Friday, February 25. Miss Schumacher is one of the founders of St. Gregory's Book Shop in Chicago, Ill.

Both Miss Jackson and Miss Schumacher are prominent leaders in the lay apostolate movement and both of them are connected with outstanding Catholic magazines.

For more information on Miss Jackson's work, see "Caught in the Web" of this issue.

## D. Schnur, C. Richter To Present Senior Recital, February 27

Doris Schnur and Connie Richter will present their Senior Music Recital in Piano and Voice respectively in the Webster College Auditorium the evening of February 27.

Doris was one of three girls chosen by audition to play with the St. Louis Woman's Symphony in a concert at the college two years ago. Doris has also played for the Catholic Hour program several times. She plans to include selections from Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Debussy, Copland and Dohnanyi for her recital.

Connie has performed with the Light Opera Guild of St. Louis, and for the past four seasons has been a member of the Municipal Opera Chorus. Her program for the recital includes selections from Handel, Cavalli, Gluck, Franz, Tchaikowsky, Saint Saens, Hahn, Rogers, Gretchaninoff and Kountz. She will be accompanied by Miss Mary Catherine Becherer.

Ushers for the recital will be: Jane Payne, Selma Moosey, Mary Elizabeth Thornhill, and Patricia McQuie.

"MAKE MINE MUNY"

# FEBRUARY IS CATHOLIC PRESS MONTH

## THE WORLD PRAYS AS Mindszenty Defies Communism

Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary and Prince of the Church was sentenced to life imprisonment for treason last week.

The verdict came from the five-man People's Court which listened to testimony and charges for three days. The trial was highlighted by the so-called "confessions" of the Cardinal in which he supposedly admitted many of the charges brought against him. Although the Communists may have been trying to fool themselves, they certainly were not fooling the rest of the world.

The career of Cardinal Mindszenty has been filled with fighting for the fundamental rights of man and for Christianity. In 1919, when still a young priest, he was arrested because he opposed materialism in the schools. Since then he has been before the public eye of Hungary many times, always calm, always confident, always impressing people with his magnitude of character.

On May 30, 1947, Matyas Rakosi, a Russian citizen and brigadier general in the Russian army, was put at the head of the Communist-controlled government of Hungary. Declaring that religion was superfluous in education, he proceeded to nationalize all the schools. Mindszenty took up the cause. With the radio and press denied him, he issued a series of pastoral letters attacking the policies of Rakosi. He warned of materialism, of schools developing hotbeds of party policy, of more than a half million children getting a Stalinist education.

The non-Catholic groups in Hungary gave up. The Reformed Church rid itself of leaders of whom the Communists did not approve. The Unitarians said they had nothing to complain about. The Lutherans and the Jews signed an agreement with the government. But while the walls were tumbling about him, Mindszenty still stood, and the hierarchy remained solidly behind him.

The resistance of the Cardinal was destined to bring the wrath of the Communist-controlled government down upon him all at once. Before leaving the United States after a recent visit, Mindszenty told Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen that he was returning to Hungary to be crucified. The new premier had attacked the Cardinal in his first address to Parliament. On December 26, the feast of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr, Cardinal Mindszenty was arrested by officers of the Communists on the charges of suspicion of plotting against the government, spying, treason and black market dealings.

This could be the turning point in the tide of Communism in

Western Europe. Cardinal Mindszenty could be the Divine tool to be used for the defeat of atheistic Communism. This could hand to the Catholic Church in Hungary the power of nationalist feeling. Never, in all his boldness and complete dictatorial policy did Adolph Hitler dare to arrest a Prince of the Church. The Nazis were afraid to take the chance of arousing world feeling against them. The Communists may have gone the one step too far. This may be the beginning of the end.

And the man who has brought it all about is Josef Cardinal Mindszenty. The name of Mindszenty means "all saints" — literally — a meaning verified in the life of this "immense character". Becoming the resistance leader of both Protestants and Catholics, he works eighteen hours a day, rising three times a night for prayer. He lives on practically nothing. There must be something of Christ in this man who, in his last pastoral letter which was banned in Hungary, wrote:

"I stand for God, Church and my country. When compared to the sufferings of my country, my own fate is unimportant . . . I am not accusing my accusers. If, from time to time, I must cast a light upon conditions, it is only a revelation of my country's surging pain . . . I pray for the world of justice and brotherly love; I pray for those who, in the words of my Master, know not what they are doing. I forgive them with all my heart."

### Is Bulgaria The Scene Of The Next Red Attack?

Latest news releases from Sofia, Bulgaria, inform us of a new legislative bill introduced for the Communist-led government by Foreign Minister Vassil Kolarov, which will close foreign religious missions and congregations and transfer their property to the state. On the day before this bill was introduced, fifteen Protestant leaders were charged with treason, espionage and illegal money dealing. These men are scheduled to be brought to trial in Sofia, February 25.

This new bill forbids the clergymen from the maintaining of relationships with "points abroad."

From these few facts, it is easy to see that the Kremlin will continue to strive to stamp-out all religion, and particularly the Catholic Church, the most outspoken opponent of the Communist ideology. The Communists are determined. Only prayer on the part of Christians everywhere can check them. Otherwise Bulgaria, too, will be called upon to produce another Steptinac or Mindszenty.



### On Graham Greene: What's Your Opinion?

Almost every book brings about some controversy and *The Heart of the Matter* is no exception. In a lecture at St. Elizabeth's Academy on February 13, Frank Sheed, of the Sheed and Ward Publishing Co., said that Greene's book is written on a framework of filth—not the filth of immorality, but physical dirt. Mr. Sheed contends that the author does not make his position clear at the end, and so makes it a misleading one.

Greene has recently published a book entitled *Nineteen Stories* which is just what the book consists of — nineteen stories. This chosen number shows the progression of Greene's writing over a period of twenty years, from 1929 to now, when he can come to grips with spiritual values in a realistic and artistic manner. One of the stories contained in the new volume is "The Hint of an Explanation" which is appearing in the *Commonweal*. Take "The Hint" and decide for yourself on the question of Graham Greene.

### FAIR DECISION

The meeting  
Came to order.  
The question  
Was proposed  
Whether or not  
To admit a  
Negro  
To the city Bar Association.  
The speaker began.  
The subject was  
Important.  
Nearby sat the  
Negro—  
Waiting—  
For the decision.  
The voters were  
Lawyers—  
Honest,  
Fair,  
Unprejudiced  
In court.  
Each ballot was cast  
With  
Open mind.  
The count was made.  
The Negro  
Prepared to leave.  
A second ballot  
Was called.  
Arguments began.  
"It was not  
Necessary."  
"He"  
Had lost—  
Because  
"He" was  
Black.  
Yet—  
The voters were  
Lawyers—  
Honest—  
Fair,  
Unprejudiced  
In court.

—Barbara Faure

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# "MAKE MINE MUNY" by Betty Lou Taylo

The big clock above the stage read 8:00 (p. m., that is). The calendar in my memorandum book (which had scene changes, light cues, scenery layouts, dance line-ups, etc., scribbled hastily over its pages) read February 16. In the Loretto Gym Our Lady of Fatima sat in the front row and watched — a special guest at her own dress rehearsal.

I swished the brush quickly around in the big can of green paint. It looked like split-pea soup, I thought as I furiously started slapping way at the large canvas flat that stood before me. From my vantage point on top of a rickety ladder that stood UC (upstage center to you peasants) I could see the vast panorama of action that went on below me . . .

It was a strong mixture of singing choruses and shouting crew men, a group of young girls dressed in all sorts of odd get-ups, painted faces, feet clad in too-small tap shoes. A bright pink spotlight wavered around on the back drop. There was the steady da-dum-dum of the piano and the constant pounding of a hammer. All these things made me pause a little and smile to myself. The fever heat that is always so apparent whenever Websterites are together working on a project had reached the 104 degrees mark. And our two chairmen, God bless 'em, were right in the middle of the confusion talking louder and faster than anyone else.

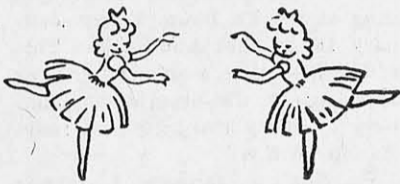
Glancing down directly below me I had to laugh out loud. Two of our donkeys were earnestly talking over some serious problem—gesturing with stubby hoofs and wagging their heads till their ears wobbled. Another donkey stood staring at the little artificial burro which was to be a prop in the Dude Ranch scene. It looked like a question of "Which twin has the Toni?"

Down on the gym floor Luke sat cross-legged—her mouth full of pins, patiently trying to re-sew an Indian into her costume which had split during one of the more strenuous moments of "Totem-Tom-Tom." "Go back down to Nancy," Luke said with a shrug, "this thing is impossible!" And our little Indian maiden, June, gingerly trying a step or

two on top of the big drum called up to me, "B. L., are you sure it's safe?"

Meanwhile, the boys from St. Louis U. tried vainly to make the fire-house stand up with all sorts of fandangled braces and supports. Being from I. T., they were going about solving the problem in a very scientific way. After much puzzling and figuring on their part they were amazed when Mich and Marty came marching up with a wooden brace they had knocked out of an old piece of scrap lumber and calmly proceeded to screw it on to the flat. Needless to say the fire-house stood up beautifully.

Over by the light board Toni pondered over whether to try to spot Pat Paul or just forget the whole thing. Our Fireman's Bride pranced around the stage so fast it was hard keeping up with her.



Coming up the backstage steps the ballet dancers looked like bits of fluffy clouds. Standing by the railing they calmly surveyed their surroundings. After much buzzing among themselves as to whether they had enough room, and whether or not the props were in the way, they finally looked up at me and said, "We still say—who ever heard of ballerinas in a beer garden?"

At the mention of beer garden, Mary Hellwig bustled out quickly getting rather tangled in the curtains in the process. "Did somebody call for beer steins? Here they are—all nice and clean!" Little Mary-on-the-spot was loaded down with a wild assortment of tablecloths, candles, hat boxes, and a bunch of flowers from last year's "Mardi Gras." Without even waiting for an answer she bustled off to the other side of the stage talking to herself all the way.

Over the din of the rehearsal I could hear Kate's voice "No, no, Ginny — it's kick, one, two, three — back — one, two, three. Honestly, you may be able to sell

ads and patrons, but whoever told you you could dance! Now let's try it again."

Seated in a wide circle on the gym floor were a group of spooks and Wintergreen boosters playing Twenty Questions. Wintergreen himself (or should I say herself?) was nowhere to be seen. You guessed it—late again! Over in another corner sat our Three Little Maids from School looking something like china dolls, despite the fact that they were busily knitting argyles.

About this time Hoffy passed by looking very competent in her "director's smock" and carrying her large official notebook. With her usual easy air she shuffled through her endless sheaf of papers, muttering something to herself about a few dullards who still didn't know what scene they were in.

Over on stage right Dozy and Ann, still chuckling over the fact that they were to be bartenders, were behind the beaver-board bar pretending they were mixing all sorts of wild concoctions. Dozy said in her low drawl, "Hey, Kee-fah, how do you all feel about a nice southern mint julep?" To which our Chicagoan from the west side replied, "Come to think of it, yeh!"

Meanwhile our two angels of mercy, Sister Mary Louise and Sister Francis Jane, hovered close by doing everything from pulling curtain to sewing a missing snap on a costume. Sister Paula still held her station by the piano, where she lent her moral support to the singing choruses, not to mention the other sisters who gave a helping hand both to the backstage crew and to the aspiring performers.

The sounds of the piano were steadily growing louder and more insistent. I suddenly snapped out of my daydream to realize that Hoffy was playing "I Got Rhythm" and regarding me with a glint in her eye. "Well, Louise, do you want to be in this or don't you?" so I hastily left my split pea soup and scrambled down the ladder . . .

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## BRIGHT SPOTS

Patty Whittington thinks there should be four graduating honors instead of the usual three—*cum laude*, *magna cum laude*, *summa cum laude* and Googan.

Sure was quiet around here one day about three weeks ago. Glad you got your voice back, Keefer.

Mary Jo Klein described one of her exams rather well. Warily she walked into the Ivy Room one afternoon and remarked that she had just come from a Culbertson exam—length but no strength.

The Registrar will just have to devise a new name for that health course. Joan Boone's parents wrote her to take it easy, since her health was only rated as "C." They probably had visions of our Boonie being flat on her back half of the time.

We hear that Jo Ceresia is going to give "Hugh" a new maroon formal tie. Seems as though he lost his old one.

# CAUGHT IN THE WEB

by Googan McVay

## Introducing Carol Jackson

Wellesley graduates do not usually wash pots and pans in a convent kitchen, yet that is what Carol Jackson, co-editor of *Integrity*, did before she got the idea of starting the magazine. "I had to purify myself from being a secretary," she said with a smile. "We worked in the morning and wrote in the afternoons, but we usually didn't get much writing done."

I had been eager to see Miss Jackson, because I wondered what a radical looked like. I must have been thinking a radical was a bearded labor agitator. First of all I was impressed with her humility. She had a quiet serenity that was expressed in her voice and her eyes. She explained that a radical is someone who gets to the roots of things, and that is why Catholics must all be radicals. "I don't think people realize what a radical Christ was," she said. I had also been eager to meet her because we had been expecting to see her any minute for the past twelve hours. We missed her at the airport because both the flights she was supposed to take had been cancelled. The airline clerk found out her "disposition," which was that she would arrive by train. She told us later that her "disposition" on the train was practicing resignation to the will of God in her upper berth. We missed at the train station and finally found her at First Friday Mass at St. John's.

While she was working in the kitchen, she was gradually realizing what was wrong with the world. Miss Jackson has been a Catholic for eight years. "I was really converted to Catholic Action before I was converted to Catholicism," she said. She became interested in Catholic Action when she heard Paul McGuire, now in Australia, speak at a meeting. Ed Willock, the other co-editor of *Integrity*, had been writing articles for *Torch*, a Dominican magazine. They got the idea of starting *Integrity* in February, 1946, when they saw a copy of *Integration*, a magazine published by Cambridge students. By October they had 1100 subscriptions. The present circulation is about 14,000 and is still growing. The letters of protest the editors receive are usually against particular things *Integrity* has condemned, Miss Jackson said. She signs her articles, Peter Michaels. "Those are my two favorite names," she said. "Peter is my confirmation name."

Miss Jackson came to St. Louis to speak at the Catholic High School Institute held at Rosati-Kain. She spoke on the modern revolution. She began by explaining that different periods in the history of the Church produced different types of saints, according to the needs of the Church. The desert saints in the early Church were different from saints like St. Vincent de Paul and others who devoted themselves to the corporal works of mercy. The last hundred years has been a period of reparation, a period of defending the Church against secularism. The saints during this time were saints of the hidden life, like the Little Flower. But now, Miss Jackson said, the hostile exterior world has fallen apart. Our enemies are in despair and in need of us. She believes it is time for Catholics, as radicals, to lay the roots of a whole new society.

She expressed regret at the fact that Catholics still have a tendency to protect themselves from paganism. For example, good Catholic girls stay away from the pagans in their office because the pagans

are so wicked. Miss Jackson said that if a man came up to a physician and showed him arm full of sores that the physician would not turn away in disgust and anger; the physician would heal the wounds. That is what our duty is toward the people we meet.

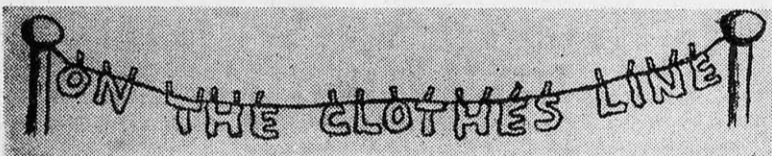
Another startling thought she presented was that since the beginning of a new era, children cannot be like their parents. They will either be much better or much worse. It is impossible to be worldly successful and devout as the last generation of Catholics were. Catholics of the last generation could offer up their daily work in a morning offering, but now all work is either a racket or an apostolate. A man cannot offer up his business if the very things he does are in any way contrary to Christ. We can no longer fit into the world, we must make it over. Miss Jackson referred to the "P. C. L." or Prominent Catholic Layman, who so often scandalize her. Their daily actions have no connection with their Catholicity. It is these split personalities that *Integrity* aims to make whole again. It tries to clarify rather than persuade Catholic thinking, to make Catholics realize that theology has a place in their daily life. Lay sanctity should be action flowing from contemplation. Personal sanctification is very important if Catholics are going to heal the wounds of others. Miss Jackson will not have writers on her staff if they are not daily communicants. *Integrity* also pays its writers a living wage. Miss Jackson gets \$20 a week. Ed Willock, because he has four children, gets about \$90 a week. Both of them have taken vows of voluntary poverty. "When we began *Integrity*," she said, "we were following Christ's words when He said 'Seek ye first therefore the kingdom of God and His justice and all these things shall be added unto you.' We hoped He would add those things to us and He did."

## EDITORS

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major with minors in French and education. The education minor is indicative of the work she would like to do after graduation—teach in a secondary school, preferably a country school. As a music student in Toronto, Joan was influenced by the Lorettes who convinced her she should come to Webster. This year Joan is eligible for the scholarship to the summer session of Laval University in Quebec, Canada. Among Joan's hobbies are swimming, hiking and piano. She also likes to read poetry—any kind of poetry. For the rest of the year Joan will work with Angela Donati, editor of the *Lauretanum* for this year, in order to "learn the ropes."

Georgianne McVay, '51, new editor of the *Lorette*, attended St. Scholastica Academy in her home town of Fort Smith, Ark. She is majoring in English and minoring in French and philosophy. This year she is writing "Caught in the Web" for the *Web* and is Associate Editor of the *Lauretanum*. Georgianne is an all-A honor roll student, head of the Classical Division of the Language Club and a member of Eta Sigma Phi, national honorary classical fraternity. In the summer of '47 she attended Laval University for the summer session on a French scholarship. Georgianne will work on the *Lorette* this year so she will be able to break into the 1949 editions of the *Lorette* with experience.



by Mary Thornhill

## Fashion Fantasy

The other night as we were writing this column, we fell asleep. As we slept, we dreamed of the new Spring fashions and of the Webster College girls who were wearing them. For instance, Mary Lou Schatzman was wearing a Kelly green top coat with flattering princess lines. Its only trimming was a small belt that seemed to nip in the waistline. Les Benson came strolling out of the Pink Room in a lovely tweed jumper worn over a yellow blouse and, of course, we couldn't miss those bright yellow knee socks. While down in the Ivy Room we took particular notice of Pat Scally's royal blue, quilted skirt.

We next took quick look into the home of Joan Krebs and, as usual, she was sewing. Did you know that she makes most of her clothes? Why, she turns suits out on an assembly line and what is better, she uses her own designs

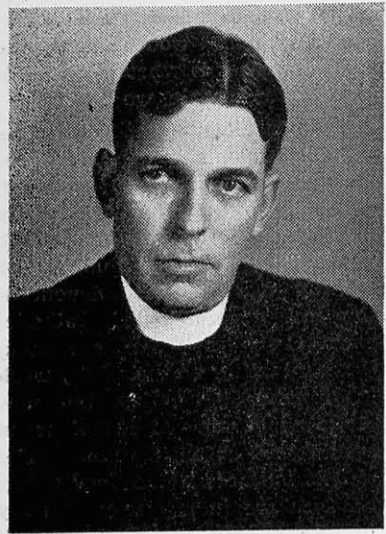
(straight A's in clothes, too). We also found Eileen Dunn at home, but she was packing for a weekend trip to Indiana. We did see her black traveling suit, however, and a smart new "Butterfly Coat" to complement it. Lucille Honderup, who had come over to help her, was wearing a delicate pink wool that fastened from its high neckline to the waist with tiny pearl buttons.

Before we knew what was happening, our dreams carried us to the Missouri Athletic Club where Webster was having their dinner dance. Mary Catherine Mahon was just coming in the door as we arrived. In contrast to her red hair she wore an aqua, crepe dinner gown, fashioned with a high neck and cap sleeves. We caught a glimpse of Pete Porbeck in her brown lace over peach taffeta and of Ann Rozier in her black dinner skirt and white crepe blouse.

All of a sudden we woke with a jolt and remembered that we had a deadline to meet.

## Father Hanlon, S. J. Webster Defeats Monticello, 26-16

By THELMA MASSERY



REV. L. HANLON, S. J.

Father Louis Hanlon, S. J., conducted the mid-term retreat for the Freshman and Sophomore classes. During the retreat Father Hanlon pointed out the pernicious dangers of the spirit of worldliness which pervades our everyday life. The bizarre life of many members of the Hollywood colony exemplifies this evil.

As a positive preventive measure against the materialistic philosophy Father offered the students a practical pattern for their daily lives. Father compared this life to a highway which will lead us to our eternal salvation. As long as we travel the straight road, avoiding detours and paying attention to all the signs, we will eventually reach our final goal—God.

Father stressed the need for making a retreat resolution and insisted that if we failed to make it, the retreat would be only nine-tenths completed.

Father Hanlon celebrated the closing Mass of the retreat on Friday, January 28, and bestowed the Apostolic Blessing on the entire student body.

After Mass the students were guests of the Loretto Sisters for a special breakfast.

The WEB extends its deepest sympathy to Shirley Bertels on the death of her brother.

Just as this issue of the Web was being pounded out on the ancient Web office Remington, the returns of the Monticello-Webster game just came in over the wires . . . or grapevines, to all who didn't crowd on the two buses that took us over to Alton, Illinois, on Friday, February 4.

Playing "Monti" and winning from them, 26-16, was the Varsity's initial game in a promising season. With Kate, Bonnie, Dot, Pete, Jody and Shirley starting, the Websterites ran up a score of 16-5 at half time, while Barbara Faure, Barb Meyer, Madeline, Ethel, Snooky, Pat and Kelly played the second half to make the final score.

High scorer was Jody Willard who piled up ten points against the opposing team. Pete Porbeck sank eight points, Ethel Zilliken, two; Pat Whittington, two; Shirley Elsey, two; Kelly Carroll, one; and Helen Snook, one.

Jean Jane, Betty Lou, Peggy, Jackie, and Miriam lead the spectators in some of their newest cheers.

On the buses going over and back, petition and thanksgiving Rosaries were recited, and St. Sebastian and St. Francis de Sales were invoked.

On arrival, Miss Gund provided the players with rosin, but refused much of it to the forwards, saying, "After all, I don't want that ball to stick to your hands too well."

The players were smart in their new uniforms . . . gray corduroy cuffed shorts with white blouses and warm-up sweaters, and yellow numerals.

Fronia Helagson, one of the guards, was ill, and unable to attend the game. We also missed Sally Wieneke and Terry McGinn, forwards, who have withdrawn from school.

Monticello showed the team, coach and cheerleaders real hospitality . . . in fact, one of the players, from Mississippi, remarked, "You all shore must be from the South" . . . the "Cabin" on their campus was open for hungry Websterites, and decorated in . . . Gold and White!

The completed game schedule as given by Miss Gund is, Maryville here on the 23rd of this month, and Washington University Nurses here the 25th. March 4

## Dr. E. Etnire Returns To Resume Teaching During Second Semester

Webster College welcomes back Miss Elizabeth Etnire, Litt. D., member of the Spanish Department, who has spent the past year doing graduate work for her doctorate at the University of San Marcos in Lima, Peru. Miss Etnire received her degree in January.

On February 8, Miss Herminia Aguero, also of the Spanish Department, and Dr. Etnire held open house for their friends at 555 Garden Ave., to celebrate Dr. Etnire's homecoming and Miss Aguero's birthday.

## Mrs. E. Brown Speaks On "Who's Who" Program

Mrs. Esther McDonald Brown, director of Art at Webster College, made a recording which was broadcast on the "Who's Who" program on Tuesday, February 15, at 5:30 p. m., over station KSTL. Mr. Bradford Harrison program director at the radio station, said, "This is one of the finest recordings I have ever had the pleasure to make. Mrs. Brown has an interesting background."

Mrs. Brown obtained her B. S. degree from Southeast Missouri Teacher's College at Cape Girardeau, Mo., and her A. M. degree from Washington University. She has done sketching and painting in Italy with Andrea Vittali, and she has studied with Emma Zweibruck, Viennese artist in the United States. Mrs. Brown is also a contributor to the School Arts Magazine and has held two individual art exhibits in St. Louis, one in Superior, Mich., and one in Grand Rapids, Mich.

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we're playing Fontbonne here, and Maryville again on the 16th, at Maryville. The 22nd of March we'll go to Harris State Teachers, and to Lindenwood on the 25th. The last game scheduled is with LeClerc here on April 1.

All the games to be played in Loretto Gym will be at eight o'clock, and those away, at seven.

Did you remember February is the month designated by the Student Faculty Institute for physical development? Some of the students have gotten off on a good start, taking advantage of the weather to go skating, while others have been riding and bowling.

## HERE AND THERE ON THE CAMPUS

### DIETETICS CLUB

The Dietetics Club will have a buffet supper for its members and guest speaker on Thursday, February 24 at 6 o'clock. An informal meeting will follow, during which Miss Helen Renon of the Catholic Chancery Office of St. Louis will speak. The club cordially invites everyone to attend this meeting.

This semester the members of the Dietetics Class will visit the dietetics kitchen of Famous-Barr and Deaconess Hospital, the Lambert Airport Commissary, and the Demonstration Kitchen of Union Electric.

### MUSIC DEPARTMENT NOTES

Betty Ann Compton, sophomore, sang at the Te Deum Forum January 16, at Kiel Auditorium. This is the first time a soloist has ever appeared on the program on January 1. Betty also sang over radio station W.E.W.

On Sunday, January 9, Jeanne Marie Devereaux, freshman, sang over K.W.K. on the Catholic Hour. The Music Guild gave a small recital on January 6; the freshmen music students performed.

On January 24, a group of Webster girls sang over K.F.U.O. for the Art Hour. On January 30, Jean Kelley, freshman, sang over K.W.K. on the Catholic Hour.

### ART DEPARTMENT SKETCHES

The latest thing in Art in St. Louis and Webster is the Berlin Exhibit, being featured at the Art Museum through February 17. Among the masterpieces, there may be seen large collections of paintings representing Italian, Dutch, Flemish, French, and German masters. Some of the more well-known artists' works included are: Rembrandt, Frans Hals, Sassetta, Botticelli, Correggio, di Credi, Rubens, Memling, Manet, and Cranach.

All the paintings on exhibit belong to different museums in Berlin, and will be returned to Europe soon. In the meantime, the United States has taken them in order to display the masterpieces to the American public.

The Teaching of Elementary Art Class is featuring an exhibit of the work of ten of its members who are Sisters in different religious communities of the city. These paintings, representing various mediums and techniques, are handled from the child's point of view.

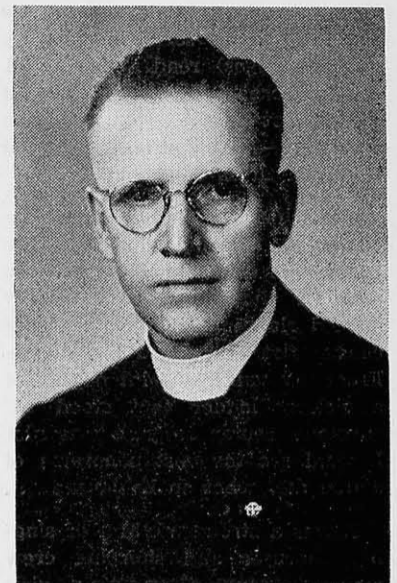
Webster's talent is traveling! The work of a number of Webster students is now on display at Jefferson City Junior College, at the invitation of Mr. Phillip Murray Bryant, director of the Art Department there. Water colors, pastels, fashions, showcards and prints are included in the exhibit.

### LANGUAGE CLUB

The Spanish epic, *The Cid* provided the topic for discussion at the Language Club meeting held on February 2. Mary Frances King, representing the Spanish Division, served as chairman. Papers on *The Cid* were read by Fronia Helgason, Joan Boone and Susan Buckler. Monique Corrievau reviewed some of the lesser known epics.

Dr. Elizabeth Etnire was welcomed back to the club after an absence of a year during which she studied for her doctorate at the University of San Marcos, Lima, Peru.

## Father Clark, S. J. Advocates 'Second Mile' for 'Fine Girls'



REV. C. CLARK, S. J.

If Reverend Charles Clark, S. J., retreat master for the junior and senior classes, could not have looked into the heart of a junior or senior at the close of their retreat and said, "Fine girl," it was through no fault of his own.

Father Clark is an ex-Army Chaplain and very noted for the Christ-like work which he does in the penal institutions of our city. During the three days we were fortunate enough to have him, Father Clark proved to be an exponent of the "Second Mile" theory. It is the mile after the necessary one that counts with God: the Monday morning Mass plus the "required" one on Sunday. The one way to keep from becoming merely superficially beautiful is to obtain real beauty in the form of Sanctifying Grace by attending daily Mass and Holy Communion.

Father impressed upon us the fact that daily Mass and Holy Communion is not an accepted custom. Rather, it is our duty to establish this tradition. It won't be "fun", as Father says, because fun and pleasure are fleeting; rather it will be the lasting joy of Sanctifying Grace. Joy is the result of something accomplished; a joy we will receive when we triumph over Satan, the alarm clock, and weak knees when the time for morning and evening prayers comes around.

The picture Father Clark painted of Christ's two "jails," Purgatory and Hell, was one of work, darkness, suffering and loneliness. The way we live is the way we die, either "Heavenly" or "Hellish." If we would receive the same shock we did the first time we committed a sin, all the "Jo-Joes" and the rest of us with "synthetic minds" would keep the well-beaten path to the Confessional in a little better shape. And as Father Clark says, "A good girl can take the world with her." Her motto should be, "I'll not sin today." If this becomes standard practice, the Sacred Heart, the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph will be glad to attend our death and funeral. The Supreme Judge then won't be able to say as the convict did when shown the Christ crucified, "I don't even know the guy!"

## Mrs. L. Hoops Gives Dance Program, Feb. 10

Mrs. Lisbeth Ebers Hoops, lecturer on Modern Dance Art at Webster College, gave a lecture with some of her pupils on February 10 in the Webster College Auditorium.

Mrs. Hoops studied in many schools of dancing in Germany before coming to the United States. She has been a member of the Webster faculty for several years.

## .. OUR VARSITY SQUAD ..



The basketball players have their pictures taken with Miss Gund after she announced the members of the team

## Seven Students Win Laval Scholarships For Summer Session

The winners of the scholarships to the summer session of Laval University, Quebec, Canada, were announced today. The successful participants and the high schools from which they graduated are: Anna Kraft, Loretto High School, Louisville, Ky.; Mary Virginia Cooper, Ursuline Academy, St. Louis; Rita Krebs, Nerinx Hall; Joan Hoogstraet, Nerinx Hall; Miriam Reedy, Our Lady of the Angels, Clinton, Iowa; Jacqueline Mousel, St. Mary's High School, Clinton, Iowa; and Rita Guthrie, Loretto High School, Louisville, Ky. The two named last were awarded partial scholarships.

Judges in the competitive oral examinations were Sister Rose Maureen, Sister Francis de Sales and Mrs. Anne Jennings. The scholarships enable the girls to spend six weeks at the summer session of Laval University where they are pledged to speak only French. The scholarships are donated by the Ursuline Alumnae and Monsignor Alphonse - Marie Parent.

This year the girls will live in a house which has been named the "Chateau Webster." It is located at 2008 Bourbonniere. Also staying with the girls will be Lorraine Ludwig, now teaching at Nerinx, and four Sisters of Loretto.

## Webster Participates In S. L. U. "Revelations" As Helen Hagen Directs

Webster College is actively participating in the production of "Revelations of '49", the all student musical show of St. Louis University to be presented on May 4, 5, 6, and 7.

Helen Hagen, a Webster College alumna who is doing graduate work and is a speech instructor at the University, will direct the show. Betty Lou Taylor, who is designing the scenery and lighting, and Kate Daly, assistant dance director, are among the Webster students helping. Other staff positions for the show are: Alban Varnado, technical director; Jack Engler, musical director and conductor; Maxine Schlingman, costume director; Philene Crouch, dance director; Jack Walsh, promotion manager; Jim Young and Floyd Hacker, business managers.

Tryouts were held on February 28 for those Webster students interested in the musical, and although no definite cast announcement has been made, it is known that two of Doris Schnur's original compositions have been accepted, and that several of the girls have specialty song and dance numbers, and others are in singing and dancing groups.

Members of the Webster College art department are also cooperating by making posters for the publicity of the show, and other students are helping backstage.

## Sodality To Receive 17

The Sodality will hold its annual reception of new members on March 25, at 8:00 a. m., in the college chapel. This year the Sodality will receive seventeen new members, girls who have completed their probation period satisfactorily. Joyce Voss and Loretto Reynolds were in charge of the classes.

Immediately after the reception a breakfast will be given for the new Sodalists and the Sodality Board. Joyce and Loretto will make the arrangements for this part of the program also.

# FROSH TO EDIT NEXT WEB



This group of Freshmen will edit the next edition of *The WEB* in conjunction with Freshmen Week activities.

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## Staff Appointments Are Big Surprise

The Freshmen journalism students will edit the next issue of *The Web!* This activity is a part of the Freshman Week activities at Webster which will be held this year from March 22-29. The Freshman Staff was appointed by Sister Edwin Mary and is being revealed today for the first time. This year the appointment of an editorial board was made instead of the usual staff under the direction of an Editor-in-Chief.

Joan Federer, assisted by Margaret Mary Bannister will edit page one; Elizabeth Burggraf assisted by Janet Garbacz will be responsible for the timely topics page. The feature page will be under the competent direction of Juanita Brungardt and Patricia McQuie; Joan Garvey aided by Dolores Kuhlman will publish page four.

Columnists for the Frosh edition will be as follows: Joan Hoogstraet, "Caught in the Web"; Mary Esther Komer, "Mary-Go-Round"; Joan Welsh, "On the Clothesline"; Patricia Meyer, Lois Hencke, Dolores Depke, "Here and There on Campus."

Special feature writers for this edition will be Betty Ratterman, Peggy Kolasch, and Dorothy Willard. Marian Sly has been named Business Manager and Rita Krebs and Peggy West will be in charge of circulation.

The purpose of the project is to acquaint Freshmen with the processes of actual publication and to relieve the senior staff, who are preparing for final comprehensives, of the regular duties.

## St. Pat Reigns At Annual Fete

Thursday evening, March 17, the annual Big Sister - Little Sister party, a box supper and entertainment, was held at Webster College under the direction of Peggy Ahearn and Mary Ellen Downey, co-chairmen. A Saint Patrick's Day theme was carried out in the decorations in the cafeteria and auditorium. A skit, presented by the entertainment committee, showed what happened when shamrocks were made illegal.

The chairmen for the party were: Ann Keefer and Alice May Casey, decorations; Lois Steuver and Ann Hohn, invitations; Joan Peters and Betty Compton, escorts; Rita Krebs, Betty Burggraf and Pat McQuie, entertainment; Shirley Bader and Alfa Monnig, refreshments; and Winifred Foy and Toni Uranga, clean-up.

## Informal Tea to Honor Prospective Students

The Enrollment Department of Webster College will sponsor an informal tea and open house for the public high school seniors of St. Louis and St. Louis County on March 20 in the Pink Room.

The tea is to be given under the direction of Sister Francis Jane with the assistance of Miss E. Halpin, director of the Office of Enrollment. The students from the public schools will be given ample opportunity to tour both buildings of the College and to meet some of the Websterites.

In addition to her office duties Miss Halpin has made several visits to out-of-town schools to address various high school groups who may have manifested interest in Webster. Some of the places included in her itinerary were Jefferson City, Mo., Sedalia, Mo., Little Rock, Ark., and Memphis, Tenn.

## Students Plan to Form Coordinating Council

The formation of a Coordinating Council for the Student Government Association was the purpose of a dinner meeting, called by the president of the Association, on Wednesday evening, March 16.

A resolution, formulated by the Coordinating Council committee, was presented to the group, in which deficiencies of groups now active on the campus were considered, and suggestions for coordination of campus activities were made.

As stated in the resolution, the three aims of the Coordinating Council are:

- (1) To promote a closer collaboration between the student groups and activities on this campus;
- (2) To participate in student life from campus to campus in order to incorporate national student thought in our activities;
- (3) To fulfill our responsibility as Catholic student leaders, and so, to become Catholic leaders before all men.

Members of the committee which proposed this resolution are Peggy Mason, Veronica Murphy, Joyce Voss, Mary Ellen Kilker, Mary Jane Wieck and Dolly Wittges.

As a means to the attainment of the purposes set forth in the resolution, the committee suggested that the Coordinating Council be composed of the officers of all organizations, clubs, and classes active on the campus, as well as the chairmen of all committees, during the time in which the committee is functioning.

Miss Veronica Murphy, vice-president of the Student Government Association, presided at the meeting which was attended by the officers of all student groups active on the campus, and by the moderators of these groups.

## Editors Reveal New Staffs; WEB Adopts Editorial Board

The newly appointed staffs for the *Web*, *Lorettime*, and *Lauretanium* during the school year of '49-'50 were revealed today by the editors of these three major school publications. Angela Donati, editor of the *Web*, also announced that the *Web* staff next year will be composed of an Editorial Board divided into three groups to direct the writing of news articles, feature articles, and editorials. The Editorial Board will be as follows:

Ann Kraft and Joan Federer will be in charge of news; Olga Bachicha and Dorothy Mullaly will direct feature writing; and editorials will be handled by Jeannette Jablonski and Betty Burggraf. Other members of the Board are Georgianne McVay, Janet Garbacz, Carol Gebhart, Patricia McQuie, and Betty Ratterman. Mary Jo Van Brunt is business manager; circulation managers are Rita Krebs and Dorothy Willard.

The *Lorettime* staff, announced by Georgianne McVay, editor, will include Mary Virginia Cooper, assistant editor, and Elizabeth Grant and Olga Bachicha, associate editors. Art editor is Ann O'Brien; Mildred Riffel and Betty Burggraf, poetry editors; Marie Carroll and Juanita Brungardt, Fine Arts; and Dorothy Mullaly and Joan Hoogstraet will edit Book Notes. "Just Among Ourselves" will be written by Jody Ritter. Circulation manager are Helen Snook and Miriam Reedy; business manager is Lois Steuver.

Joan Romey, editor of the *Lauretanium*, the Webster College year-book, announced the following appointments:

Assistant editor is Madeline Evans; associate editors are Mitzi Catanzaro and Kathleen O'Malley; circulation manager, Mary Jane Wieck. The new staffs will function from September throughout the school year.

## NFCCS To Sponsor May Day Holy Hour May 1

The St. Louis Region of the N. F. C. C. S. will again sponsor a Holy Hour, similar to the May Day rally of last year. The event will take place at Walsh Stadium, with the living Rosary and Benediction highlighting the ceremony.

The entire program is under the direction of Jack Walker, from St. Louis University, with students, from the respective Corporate Colleges serving as committee members.

Exciting plans are in the making, to assure a successful participation and attendance, at the Holy Hour. These plans, with complete program, will appear in subsequent issues of *The WEB*.

## Loretto Players To Give Three One-Act Plays

Instead of the usual three-act play, the Loretto Players major spring production this year will be three stylized one-act plays, announced Miss Margaret Speer, instructor of speech and director. They are Moliere's "Highbrow Ladies", Oliphant Down's "The Maker of Dreams" and "The Mystery of Adam", in the public domain.

The casts for the plays are as follows: in "Highbrow Ladies", Ann Michenfelder will portray Madelon, and Paula Garvin, Cathos. Pat Waller and Pat Davis play the Mother and the Maid respectively. In "The Maker of Dreams", Betty Lou Taylor is Pierrette, and Marty Unser, Columbine, and Eve in "The Mystery of Adam" will be portrayed by Miriam Knight. The selection of the male cast has not been completed.

Read about the why and what of Catholic Education on page 2 of this issue.

"Romeo and Juliet" will be at Webster May 19 - 20 - 21

# WEB DISUSSES CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

READ THIS AND LEARN WHY

## Catholic Schools Are a "MUST"

The Catholic Church teaches that all Catholic parents have a serious moral obligation to send their children to Catholic schools. In fact, Catholic education for Catholic students is such a serious parental duty that in many dioceses in the United States, Bishops have instructed the parish priests to refuse absolution to those parents who persist in sending their children to public schools. Absolution in these cases is reserved to the Bishop. Another Canon states explicitly: "Neutral (public) schools are forbidden to Catholic children, and can be tolerated, on approval of the Ordinary alone, under determined circumstances of place and time, and with special precaution." (C. 1374.)

### Purpose of Christian Education

Pope Pius XI says in his encyclical on the Christian Education of Youth that "since education consists essentially in preparing man for what he must do here below, in order to attain the sublime end for which he was created, it is clear that there can be no true education which is not wholly directed to man's last end and that in the present order of Providence, since God has revealed Himself to

mean the life of instinct. At any rate they do not mean the nature of the whole man, which of course includes spiritual and physical aspects. Perhaps one of the most pernicious effects of this naturalistic tendency is the imminent danger it causes to the purity of the morals of the students who attend them. Of this our Holy Father said, "For too common is the error of those who with dangerous assurance and under an ugly term propagate a so-called sex - education falsely imagining they can forearm youth against the dangers of sensuality by means purely natural, such as a foolhardy initiation and precautionary instruction for all indiscriminately, even in public; and, worse still, by exposing them at an early age to the occasions, in order to accustom them, so it is argued, and as it were to harden them against such dangers. Such persons grievously err in refusing to recognize the inborn weakness of human nature . . . and also in ignoring the experience of facts, from which it is clear that, particularly in young people, evil practices are the effect not so much of ignorance of intellect as of weakness of a will exposed to dangerous

## W.C. Faculty Wants An Honest Answer; Will You Give It?

The Faculty of Webster College has paid a great compliment to the integrity and judgment of the student body. Our instructors, clerical, religious and lay, have asked us, the students, to voice our opinions concerning their effectiveness as teachers. We shall express these opinions as well as other suggestions for the betterment of the teaching situation at Webster in the form of a Student Reaction Sheet. Sister Francis de Sales, coordinator for the North Central Study, gave a thorough explanation of the Reaction Sheet at the Student Government Association meeting on February 4.

To our mind the keynote of the teacher-rating program has from the beginning and still is **co-operation**. A teaching situation consists of two essential parts, namely, teacher and student, consequently the faculty appointed five students, representative of the school, to coordinate their own duties and responsibilities, in regard to the ideal teaching situation.

The faculty followed the same procedure and then both groups met and exchanged their respective ideas. The suggestions presented by the students were received enthusiastically by the faculty and when the latter group felt that one point in the student section of the sheet was not apropos to the general purpose of the program, they called a special meeting of the student representatives to explain their viewpoint, the wisdom of which is now evident to these students.

The mechanical process of filling out the Student Reaction Sheet is simple but the thought process which must necessarily precede it is not so simple. The thought of each student must be concerned with two aspects. First, an **honest and sincere** analysis of the teacher, his methods and his effectiveness; second, honest and sincere introspection regarding the fulfillment of her duties as a student.

Granted that it is always easier to record the faults of another than to analyze our own merits or demerits, we students must strive to answer the questions on the Student Reaction partially and without  
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### "Help Wanted: Apply-- Satan, Lucifer & Co. Inc."

The author's observations  
On moral aberrations  
In the proud and haughty women  
of his age,  
Were callously dissected  
And totally rejected  
By the critics condemned and  
damned was every page.

But the writer had shown talent  
And his publisher was bent  
On exploiting it in any proffered  
way  
So he told the author when  
He gave up his preaching pen,  
He might return to the "Sanctum  
Doubleday."

Thus the author made it known  
That his books would change in  
tone  
His works become more spicy on  
the whole,  
Though he gained in wealth and  
fame  
He lived a hell of shame  
For what is life if man has lost  
his soul?

—Patricia McQuie

## I WENT TO A PUBLIC SCHOOL

I went to a public school. For me that statement is synonymous with "I lost my faith in twelve years." Other factors contributed to my eventual atheism, of course, but my education was the most important. Too many people are prone to underestimate the power of education, that unlimited power which enables materialistic-minded teachers to sow the quick-growing seeds of their own materialism in the fertile soil of young minds. Some of my teachers were master sowers.

My advisor was an atheist. It was he who first crystallized my thought on the utter ridiculousness of religion. When he found out that I had leanings towards atheism, he was extremely pleased with me. He took me under his wing, so to speak, and guided me down the rocky road to spiritual ruin. I went willingly.

My advisor also pointed out just what was considered the "best" in atheistic literature. My library card became my key to the world of disbelief and I unlocked the door frequently. I ate up everything I read, almost exhausting the books indexed under "Atheism." I can remember my mother finding the books and burning them, with absolutely no regard for the fact that they did not belong to us but to the library.

The courses at my public school were also tinged with materialism, but some of it was very subtle. I had a biology teacher who gave excellent lectures on evolution. He didn't say he believed in strict evolution; but then, he didn't disavow it and I think he gave the impression of its veracity to most of the students. He thought of the truth of strict evolution (descent from the ape) more as a disgrace than as a denial of the existence of God. However, he was more than willing to take the words of science; that was his god; that was what he worshipped.

Items appeared in history class, too. There is the classic example of the Protestant Revolution which was taught in just the manner you would expect. Then there was "Bloody" Mary, the "worst" persecutor in history, the typical Roman Catholic. I'll never forget how we spent two weeks of a twenty<sup>+</sup> weeks world history course on the German *Kulturkampf*. I wasn't even informed that Erasmus never left Catholicism or that Thomas More was a Saint. Not that my teachers were prejudiced or anything; they just didn't teach those things.

One of my English courses dealt with Shakespeare and one of the plays we read was *Macbeth*. We were taught that the flaw in the character of Macbeth was his ambition, but this ambition was never made too objectionable to us. We never considered the play as a

story of a mortal sin. Most of us wouldn't have known what a morpiece of information which I had related sin meant anyway. The only tained about it was that it was "bigger" than a venial sin.

We had no set criterion for morality such as the Ten Commandments. In fact, most things were presented as being either moral or immoral, but amoral. Most of my associates were morally good, but their morality was a natural one and was not guided by supernatural motives. They were good because that was the thing to do, and not because God had set the standards of goodness which we were to follow. Some of my fellow students had no fear of doing evil because they didn't believe in immortality and thus in their ultimate punishment in hell. Their actions were guided completely by natural motives.

My prize teacher was the one who taught me American literature. I don't think she believed in anything, really. She had all her classes memorize the closing lines of Bryant's *Thanatopsis* as an example of good expression, good poetry, good thought, good philosophy. We lingered long over Whitman's *Song of Myself* which certainly was a lovely poem! We read it over and over again.

Oh, yes, we had "released time" religious instructions at high school, but I never went to them. I think the reason for this was that by the time I got to high school, I had become open to new ideas: I was waiting for something startling like atheism to take root in me. Not many of the students took their one hour a week for religious instruction, and if they did, they always had a difficult time making up the work which they had missed.

I think that in my four years at high school I never heard the name of God mentioned in any assembly program except the annual Brotherhood Week Assembly and the Memorial Day Auditorium Session for the War Dead. Even at these times, the former affair was usually considered a test to decide whether Catholics, Protestants or Jews could tell the best jokes; while the latter was concerned more with the mightiness of the American army than the Almightiness of God.

The danger in the public schools lies primarily with the teachers. I don't mean to imply that all public school teachers are pagans and promulgators of atheism. I'm sure there are many of very deep and inspiring faith, even though I never had any. The teachers I did have varied in philosophical beliefs from Hegel to Kant to Omar Khayyam. There was absolutely no integration of thought; each teacher had a different philosophy and taught  
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us in the Person of His Only Begotten Son, Who alone is the 'way the truth and the life,' there can be no ideally perfect education which is not Christian education."

The object of Christian education is the whole man which includes the soul joined to the body with all the faculties of each, natural and supernatural. In a word, the object of education is man, fallen from his original state and redeemed by Christ.

### Fallacies of Secular Training

Thus we see that a public school, regardless of its high scholastic standing, is completely inadequate for a Catholic student because it disregards the spiritual life of the student. Pope Pius XI pointed out in his encyclical that there are certain prevailing philosophies which are promulgated by secular schools today which are the complete antitheses of Christian principles.

### Naturalism

Let us examine a few. The public schools of today tend to idealize naturalism. They claim that the work of education consists in developing human nature itself and this by the powers of nature alone. Unfortunately these modernists misconstrue the meaning of the word "nature." All too frequently these twentieth century educators

occasions, and unsupported by means of grace."

### Godlessness

The second tendency in the materialistic educational system is to exclude God totally and all submission to Him. The decision of the United States Supreme Court in the McCullom case is adequate proof of this statement.

### Humanism

The third fallacy taught in the public schools today is the fostering of the cult of humanity as it is manifested in the philosophy of Dehmel: "The god in whom we now hope, is humanity."

### Denial of Eternity

Lastly the secularists exclude all thought of a future life. As a result of this they deny the existence of Hell and punishment for evil. They strive to justify license for sin.

### Why Tell Us?

Now the question arises "Why do we contrast the truths concerning the necessity of Catholic education for Catholics and the fallacies of secular education in the Web when the majority of our readers are students at a Catholic college? Certainly we are not trying to effect a retroactive chastisement of those girls who were  
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# Somewhere a Voice Is Calling!

By Betty Lou Taylor

Something new has been added at Webster College. No longer do shrill telephones ring to the accompanying cry of "Freshman—answer that phone!" No longer does the anxious boarder wonder in vain whether he phoned and couldn't get through, whether she was called to the phone and just didn't hear it, or whether the wires got crossed at the switchboard and he is now talking to the girl down the hall whose name sounds like hers—except for the last two letters. Best of all, no longer will the poor switchboard operators be blamed for each and every telephone mishap... 'cause now we've got a P. A. system—one of the nicest things that has ever happened to W. C.

After the excitement of the musicale had begun to die down, and things were getting back to normal we were surprised into a state of mixed confusion and wonderment as a voice out thin air proceeded to call in a dull monotone—"Testing, 1—2—3—Testing." The voice bounced off the walls and echoed down the corridors. At first one heavy baritone voice did all the talking, and we were just getting used to hearing it without jumping out of our shoes every time, when it was joined by a tenor, and then by a soprano. Soon we had a little chorus of voices chanting "testing" at all odd hours of the day, and it sounded as if they were saying—"Ha! Ha! This is all part of a plan to drive you out of your mind!" What next?

With a determined heart that this thing wasn't going to drive me crazy I climbed the steps and headed for the third floor T, only to find a huge brown box firmly attached to the wall outside my bedroom door. Funny, how things can go unnoticed for such a long time. Creeping past the thing, I quietly opened the door, hoping I could sneak in without its seeing me. I had no sooner hit the sacred portals of room 318 when I was practically blasted out of the window with the sound of my name coupled with that of Joanne Poat. The thing had finished its testing program; it now began to be specific. I felt like a draftee who had just been confronted with a sign bearing that familiar man with the pointing finger saying, "Uncle Sam wants you!"

No sooner had the last sound

died away when the thing repeated its command. There was no doubt about it. Joanne Poat and I were being summoned from somewhere in the great beyond. Immediately all doors flew open! All the way down the T heads peered out! People peeked over the stair railing. Joanne was out in the hall grinning rather weakly. I don't know how long we would have stood there staring dumbly at the thing if someone hadn't pointed bravely down the corridor and mumbled "Telephone."

Joanne went first—soon she came out of the booth laughing hysterically. I was next! Picking up the receiver with trembling hand I managed to stutter, "H-H-Hello." At the other end of the line I heard a soft little voice say, "This is the first episode in a long campaign to make you famous. I propose to have your name called twice a day for fourteen days—just as a starter, you know." Need I say it was my roommate, Ginny Stack, calling from library.

Like all new things, the P. A. system was quickly taken to the hearts of every Websterite. Speech majors have lined up daily in the reception room so they could take their turn "helping" the switchboard operator by calling out names in their very best oratorical manner complete with articulation. Sister Francis Jane has brushed up considerably on her "mike voice" and can be heard announcing anything from "Please close the elevator door" to "Girls, don't forget your money for the collection box." We weren't at all surprised at 2 a. m. the other morning after we had come in from the Dad-Daughter Banquet to hear, "Testing—1—2—my heavens, it's on!"

The biggest faux pas connected with the new loud speaker has been the little switch that is so easy to forget to turn off. Many a confidential conversation carried on in the confines of Mrs. Barnicle's office has become public information within a few seconds. A good bit of the important transactions carried on at switchboard during the rush hours has been brought to the ears of the listening public. For instance, we all know exactly what songs Sister Mary Bede was going to require of her music students the next day... we were all disappointed when Wini Foy misses her call from Gussie by just seconds... and we

all smiled heartily when the cookie man was told that Sister Rita Ann liked the chocolate ones the best.

One of the newest switchboard girls brought a laugh the other day when she unknowingly muttered into the mike, "How do you work this stupid thing? I never can remember whether the button goes up or down. Guess I better clear my throat—Gosh, I wonder how my voice sounds over this contraption. Wha-a-a-t! Charlotte, why didn't you tell me it was on..."

However, despite all the major catastrophes, we have yet to hear:

1. A masculine voice belonging to a tired, depressed, waiting-in-vain date, who has reached the limit of his patience, announce in a loud tone, "I'll give you exactly two minutes to get down here" (Mike crosses her fingers every time she knows that Gerry's pacing the floor downstairs).

2. A special "late bulletin" come blaring out about 1 a. m. courtesy of freshmen pranksters returning from a midnight party. (Joan Mazzone keeps her fingers crossed on this one. And as a note to the freshmen: ask Susie and Sammie about the trumpet episode.)

Yep, Webster College has all the latest gadgets. But let's hope it will be a while yet before the P. A. system is also equipped with television. Might prove embarrassing sometimes.

## To the Undergraduate

The everyday routine of classes, the varied assignments, the intellectual growth, pile up until you suddenly find yourself at the end of the college course saying, "Well, I made it. Really, it didn't seem four years, now that it's over."

Somehow the time wings by with little thought to the important aspect of your college life—the preparation for possible acceptance upon graduation into the National Catholic Honor and Activity Society, Kappa Gamma Pi. Too often the graduating class little knows or cares about what it means to be a Kappa. At graduation, the girls elected have expressed surprise and a momentary thrill because they vaguely know "it's an honor." They are given an official pin. It's decorative and impressive looking.

Nonetheless, you should know what Kappa is, and what is its purpose. You should know so you may work toward membership. You see, it is really worth working for. Here is what Kappa is and means.

The society is national in scope. At present there are active chapters in thirty-five cities. Each chapter has the same overall purpose, which is inherent within the society's motto—FAITH AND SERVICE. Faith is expressed through Catholic living; service is expressed by Catholic action. Consequently, each Kappa exemplifies the principles which she learned in school in her everyday life. She unites with her fellow Kappas in effecting Catholic action through a purposeful project.

You reply, "Why I can give faith and service without being a Kappa." Yes, you can, and we sincerely hope you do. However, to do all this not only individually but as a member of a national group intensifies and strengthens its results.

modesty is the keynote of "good taste" and that it is our yardstick for measuring the fashion trends of the future.

## Caught in the Web

by Googan McVay

One of the first things among the many worries and bewilderingments besetting an incoming Freshman is "Where is my trunk? Will I ever see it again?" Add to this thought the problems of getting established in a strange place, and keeping established amid the forces of nature which cause light bulbs to burn out, window sashes to break, to say nothing of the idiosyncracies of the plumbing system, and you see that someone is needed to master the situation. That person is Sister Leona, officially listed as the building superintendent. She is in charge of both the administration building and Loretto Hall, and I don't believe we realize how dependent we are upon her for all the things we inexperienced ones have to have done for us.

One of the most remarkable things about Sister Leona is her seeming bilocation. One minute you see her on the fourth floor in Loretto Hall in conference with Rose about our sheets and the next instant she is answering her bell from the Dining Room phone in the Ad building. If the elevator is stuck between two floors, call Sister Leona; if Mr. Kordell is needed for work on the stage, call Sister Leona; if someone's bed has broken down, call Sister Leona—and so from morning 'til night the call is heard. Either 1-3 is ringing or from the P. A. is heard a resounding: SISTER LEONA! And through it all, she seems always to come up smiling!

Sister Leona celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of her reception into the order last December 8. She came to Webster from Sacred Heart Academy in north St. Louis. She also taught grade school in Toronto, Ohio, for several years, so if you want to look up her past record try there. This is the first year she has not taught, and also the first year she has been at Webster. "Every summer I hoped I wouldn't be sent to Webster," she said. "I guess it was the largeness of the place; but I hadn't been here three weeks before I loved it."

Sister Leona was so enthusiastic about how she liked being here that I could hardly get her to talk about anything else. She said she noticed the Webster spirit taking over the Freshmen when they came, and it seemed something contagious that upperclassmen passed along to the Freshmen. "I'd hate to leave Webster now."

I asked her whether she had any specific instances of what caused her to love Webster after her dread of it, and she answered: "The girls are so lovely to work with. I noticed it particularly when I worked with the Juniors at Christmas time." The Juniors as well as the rest of the school owe thanks to Sister Leona for any efficiency they have achieved in their projects, and when we must rely on her for help, we realize that she is an indispensable part of Webster.

"All right," you concede, "I'm convinced that Kappa is worthwhile, now that I know what it about. How do I join?"

You do not join Kappa Gamma Pi but are elected to membership by your college authorities. The election is based not merely on scholastic ability, but upon your performance in student activities and upon your extra-curricular endeavors which show sincerity of purpose, and Catholicity in motive.

So why not begin to work toward Kappa? We need you and will sincerely welcome you into the organization.

—Jane Kreckel, KGP

## Mary Go Round

By Rosemary Schmuck

For most of us, Lent (in spite of its discomforts!) comes 'round as a "relief" from the "whirl" to which we're constantly being exposed. Now is the time, we decide, to sit back and bask in the glories of a few free week-ends.

So around about this season, someone is bound to ask, "And what are you giving up for Lent?" Suzie is sure to reply, "Oh, candy, of course — I always do that!" "Guess I'll try to pass up that in-between dash to the Ivy Room," says Mary Jane in a rather hesitant tone of voice. Then Roger chuckles, "Well, I had thought of giving up dating—but—"

These are but a few of the many and varied sacrifices which we all offer up each year. But there is one very special offering which pleases God most of all. Un huh, you get the point, don't you? The really "fine girls" tell you they are dragging the old bones out of bed every morning. They are taking a major part in the biggest show of the day—Holy Mass! And funny thing—their problems begin to iron out, without the usual stress and strain. The days seem to be happier than ever before, and many decide that this going to daily Mass isn't such a bad idea after all. Might even go after Lent is over. How about it? Can we expect to see you up in the front.

## BRIGHT SPOTS

By JODY RITTER

February, the month for physical development, in spite of the good it did, has made a few people physically unfit. Pat Waller has become a Notre Dame hunchback, having bounced a little too vigorously on the trampoline. Jani Higgins wore a hole in her chin as a result of her type of body conditioner. She's got a few stitch prints to prove it. But have you noticed the rosy cheeks on Pat Cronin and Mary Ann Julius lately? They went out whole hog for the physical fitness month and walked all the way home one day—4 miles. I have a sneaking feeling they just wanted to see their names in print though.

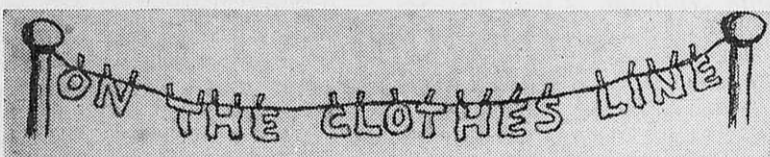
Gretchen Oberste couldn't miss the hammy chance of stealing the Musicales so she let her loaded sparkler gun slip from the holster. She thought the glow it produced would be enough to take to the hearts of the audience, but I don't believe it did, do you Wini? Now about that missing safety pin...

'Twas clever of Bettye Ainsworth to "just happen to have" her ballet shoes in the rear of the aud during Shakespeare tryouts, wasn't it? I'll bet Mr. McClain thought so too.

Statistics prove that Burkie's mother is as entertaining as Burkie is. While shopping one day, a clerk informed Mrs. Burke that it is the style now to have the initial of the first name only woven in your towels. So she hastily ordered six towels each for Joanne, Jim, John, and Jerry, not realizing that she was purchasing twenty-four towels with the initial "J" on them. Too bad you don't have a brother named Jeremias, Burkie. Wouldn't you hate to be the goldfish in that family?

The St. Louis people thought they'd seen something after they'd visited the exhibition of the Berlin paintings. But they should see what Angie and Rita Mae have captured. In case you're interested go to their room—417 and you'll agree, such nature lovers have never been known.

Murthie Sloan has a lot to get out of a Catholic college. Have you ever known of anyone else who didn't recognize a picture of the Blessed Virgin?



by Mary Thornhill

I believe that you all heard Carol Jackson speak not so long ago. My first impression was that she said that Catholic women were losing their modesty. Well, that was too much, especially at 8:45 a. m. (This doesn't sound like a Fashion column, does it? Bear with me.) Miss Jackson must have read the Spring edition of Vogue. Not only Catholic women are losing their modesty, but women in general are becoming almost barbaric in their dress.

One of the headings in a current fashion magazine proclaimed, "THE NECKLINE PLUNGES" and the accompanying illustration showed that it plunged almost down to the waistline. It seems that the designers are making up for the extra material that has been added to the skirt by taking it off of the top. We claim to be a highly civilized people. Is it civilized to go about with one's chest and shoulders exposed? Is it womanly? What is more important, is it fit-

ting for a Catholic woman? You know the answer.

Remember the pictures you've seen of The Vamp or Flapper of the 20's with her hair cut close and set tight to her head, with low round neck and bare shoulders? Remember how you laughed at the short skirts, pearl ropes and drop earrings, well keep laughing because it won't be long until they are back with us. Some of these things are already here, and by the law of fashion cycles, the awkward, unflattering, short skirts are just around the corner.

Some women forget that there is a difference between "good taste" and the current fashion trend. They use Vogue, Harper's Bazaar, Mademoiselle and so forth as their Bible and the word of Schiaparelli, Malynoux, John Fredricks and others as Gospel truth.

Must we be slaves to the dictates of fashion designers when Christian modesty is at stake? We have it in our power as Catholic women to prove to the world that

## To Give Concerts



JOSE ECHANIZ

### Webster to be Host To Jose Echaniz Twice This Week

Mrs. Jose Echaniz, Cuban pianist and conductor will appear at Webster March 26 at 8:15 p. m. and at the assembly on March 28.

Mr. Echaniz, who has visited Webster for many years, is now teaching at the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y., in the graduate piano department. This year, the eminent pianist was named guest conductor of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra.

Recently Mr. Echaniz gave a concert at the Mother House in Loretto, Ky. During his stay at Webster he will spend some time auditioning piano students in the Loretto Conservatory.

### Mrs. Jennings Appears On Art Museum Program

An "all-Webster" cast participated in a recent Art Museum broadcast over station KFYO. The program was a dramatization of the donation of a painting to a convent by Queen Isabella of Spain. Mrs. Anne Jennings, assistant professor of French, played the part of the Mother Superior; Ann Michenfelder played Queen Isabella; a group of voice students, under the direction of Sister M. Paula, provided the background music, and Miss Helen Pech, assistant instructor in voice, was the organ accompanist.

"I have found these programs very educational and interesting," said Mrs. Jennings, who together with her husband has been appearing in them for about four years. The programs are dramatizations of the story of some painting in the museum, and they are given about once a month.

Mrs. Jennings obtained her A. University of Wisconsin, and has B. and A. M. degrees from the done graduate work at Washington and St. Louis Universities. She has been a member of the Webster faculty for several years.

### Senior Comps Are Here Again April 9

Written Comprehensive Examinations will be held for all Seniors on Saturday, April 9. The examinations will cover the upper division courses in the major field and will not be less than three nor more than our hours long.

Within ten days after taking the examinations the students will be notified through the Dean's Office of the success or failure of the written examination. Students who have passed will find included in the notification the date of the oral comprehensive examination and the names of the examiners.

The passing of the comprehensive examination is a requirement for graduation.

## Renowned Speakers Address Students During Month of March

During the past month, the students of Webster College have been privileged to hear the following speakers:

On March 11, Brother Alpheus F. S. C., talked to the Catholic Literary Revival class on the topic "The Index." Brother James Alpheus, who is librarian at the Christian Brothers' College in Clayton, Mo., is very conversant with contemporary Catholic literature. He is the brother of Rev. Redmond Burke, C. S. V., who teaches at DePaul University and is an authority on the Index.

"Jesuit Missions in British Honduras" was the subject of a color movie shown on March 10 under the sponsorship of the Catholic Students Mission Crusade. Father James T. Meehan, S. J., acted as commentator and narrator. Father is at present staying at the Jesuit Provincial Mission House in St. Louis.

Miss Alice Widmer, a Webster College alumna, addressed the Rural-Urban Sociology class on the topic "The Rural Parish Workers of Christ the King". Miss Widmer is an active participant in the work of the organization, which is carried on by a group of Catholic lay women who dedicate their lives to rural apostolate. Their activity center is Cottleville, Mo., where their work includes visiting and helping the sick and poor, giving religious instruction, and vocational training, conducting handicraft classes and recreational activities. Old Mines, Mo., in the tiff mining areas is now within the radius of their activity.

Miss Lois Schumacher, the associate editor of "Today", spoke to the journalism classes and the WEB and Lorette staffs on "Writing as an apostolate." Miss Schumacher is a graduate of Madonna High School in Aurora, Ill., and of the College of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, Minn. She is also the founder of St. Gregory Bookshop in Aurora, Ill.

### Freshman Week Election Results

#### Student Government Association

President .....Dolly Wittges  
 Vice President .....Mary Abbott  
 Secretary .....Rita Krebs  
 Treasurer .....Priscilla McCann  
 Senior Pres. ....Paula Garvin  
 Senior Rep. ....Betty Banks  
 Junior Pres. ....Peggy Kolasch  
 Junior Rep. ....Mary Lue Cross  
 Soph. Nres. ....Mary Jo Hillner  
 Soph. Rep. ....Martha Abbott  
 Freshman Pres. ....Joan Dickhaus  
 Freshman Rep. ....Ellen McNamara  
 Senior Faculty Rep. ....Rosie Feusting  
 Junior Faculty Rep. ....Mary Jo Klein

#### Athletic Association

President .....Mary Bunbury  
 Vice-Pres. ....Pat Clark  
 Secretary .....Rita Rinker  
 Treasurer .....Mary Ann Tank  
 Senior Rep. ....Marjorie Fehling  
 Junior Rep. ....Marrilyn Reed  
 Soph. Rep. ....Mary Lou Ganley  
 Freshman Rep. ....Rita Voigt

#### Sodality

Prefect .....Joan Welsh  
 Vice-Prefect .....Freda Coon  
 Secretary .....Betty Barsanti  
 Treasurer .....Pat Higgins  
 Senior Rep. ....M. Margaret Bannister  
 Junior Rep. ....Carol Gebhart  
 Soph. Rep. ....Joan Schuler  
 Freshman Rep. ....Betty Compton

#### House Committee

Hall President .....Miriam Reedy  
 Senior Rep. ....Dorothy Willard  
 Junior Rep. ....Rita Guthrie  
 Soph. Rep. ....Beverly Fiorella  
 Freshman Rep. ....Jean Shatsby

## HERE AND THERE ON THE CAMPUS

### ART DEPARTMENT SKETCHES

Anita Kopf and Shirley Meyer, senior art majors, opened their exhibit of water colors, oil paintings, chalk sketches, and fashion designs at a formal reception on March 1. This display represents the work of both girls and is a partial fulfillment of the requirements for an art major. The exhibit was open to the public until March 20.

The students of the Fashion Designing class presented a fashion show in the auditorium during the Tuesday assembly on March 3. This project represented the culmination of one semester's work. The clothes were designed by members of the class and many of them were made by students whose creations they were. A St. Louis Globe-Democrat photographer took pictures during the show for publication in his paper at a later date.

### MUSIC DEPARTMENT NOTES

Irene Thomas, Junior, appeared as a soloist for the Catholic Hour program on KWK on Sunday, March 13. She sang "Traume" by Wagner, Schubert's "Ave Maria", and "How Beautiful Are Thy Feet" by Handel. Her accompanist was Mary Catherine Becherer.

A group of Webster voice students, along with girls from Fontbonne and Maryville, sang at the Catholic Music Convention on February 22 at Rosati-Kain. Debussy's cantata "Blessed Dameozelle" was presented. Ruth Schumacher, sophomore, had one of the leading solos.

The Music Guild gave a program on which Doris Schnur, Maureen Starbuck, and Sister Dolores Ann presented their original compositions. Connie Richter, Dolores Green and Jeanne Devereaux sang some of the compositions. Jeanne Devereaux was in charge of the program, and Jeanette Jablonski, president of the Music Guild, served as master of ceremonies.

Jeanne Devereaux was called on to display her talents. St. Mark's high school was giving their operetta "The Fortune Teller", and when one of the leads became ill, Jeanne stepped into the role with only a few hours' notice.

The freshmen presented their initial recital on March 7 in the auditorium.

### W. C. Faculty

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any fear of subsequent prejudice on the part of the teacher we are discussing. Certainly each faculty member, realizing the personal advantage and the confidential nature of the project will read the anonymous criticisms with open minds. It is incongruous to suppose that the faculty would exhort us to honesty and then retaliate with personal prejudice.

In a word, the faculty is asking us to help improve their teaching activities. The only way we can thank them for this privilege is to comply with their request by answering the questions on the Student Reaction Sheet in such a way that these sheets will represent a true picture of the teaching situation (teacher-student) in a particular class.

Let's we forget our evaluation will not only be a manifestation of our good judgment, but also the means by which we can attain improved instruction at Webster College, a goal which each Websterite should realize as a personal good.

## Stars of "Romeo and Juliet"



Betty Ratterman, Betty Lou Taylor, and Ann Michenfelder (Romeo, Juliet, Mercutio) as they study their lines.

### Fontbonne, Maryville Win From Webster

Looking at the Maryville-Webster game of Feb. 23 in retrospect, it seems to be marked as one of the games of this season that will be remembered.

Maryville defeated us by an exceptionally small margin. Our guards kept Maryville down to only five field goals, and our forwards made the same number. The free shots won the game for Maryville as they sank six out of thirteen.

Maryville's Mary Hudlicka was high scorer with twelve points, and Jody Willard was second with six. Pete Porbeck was responsible for two points and Ethel Zilliken made two.

The Webster - Fontbonne tilt, which was played here on March 4, found Fontbonne the winner 21-18. Pete Porbeck made eight of our points, Jody Willard, seven, Barbara Faure, two, and Ethel Zilliken, one.

The team has been handicapped by the absence of two of its regular players in the past two games. Barbara Meyer withdrew from school and Pat Whittington has been ill.

### Testing Program Held for Sophomores Mar. 15

The National College Sophomore Testing Program was held at Webster College on March 15 and 16. The tests included in the Program are designed primarily to aid students in making better adjustment to college work and in gaining a better knowledge of their abilities and interests.

The examinations cut across subject - matter boundaries and measured students' general learning in basic fields. No specific preparations for taking the tests needed to be made.

All Sophomores were required to take these tests.

### Public School

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you his principles until some times you weren't sure just what to believe. They never considered man as a whole human being. In other words, there was one main thing which their teaching lacked—integrity or wholeness.

Sometimes it scares me to think how close I came to going to a secular university. I know it was only by the grace of God that I ever came to Webster. I had almost definitely decided on a secular school when suddenly I changed my mind — with apparently good reason. If I hadn't, I would probably be enrolled in the Thomas Mann School in New York or carrying Communist banners in May Day parades, and I probably wouldn't have enough sense to realize how wrong I was.

—A. A. K.

### Romeo and Juliet To Be Given At College May 19-20-21

This year's Shakespearean play, *Romeo and Juliet*, has been cast, and rehearsals for it have begun. The play, which is under the direction of Mr. Harry R. McClain, will be presented on May 19, 20 and 21. The production of a Shakespeare play each spring has been a tradition of Webster College for 34 years. This play has been given several times before at the College.

Betty Ratterman will portray Romeo, and Betty Lou Taylor, Juliet; Mercutio will be played by Ann Michenfelder, and Pat Paul and Wini Foy will be the Nurse and Friar Lawrence respectively.

Other members of the cast are: Marie Carroll, Pat Waller, Mary Hellwig, Rita Krebs, Alice Mary Casey, Kate Moore, Mary Jane Wieck, Jo Ann LeCompte, Marty Unser, Billie Doyle, Helen Pearson, June Murphy, Mary Therese Lavery, Joanne Burke, Jeaninne Fox, Thelma Massery, Jean Mattingly, Helen Snook.

Betty Lou Taylor will also be in charge of the scenery for this production. Under her will be functioning various committees which have not yet been appointed.

The cast and staff of *Romeo and Juliet* will participate in the Shakespearean Pilgrimage at Tower Grove Park on Saturday, April 23.

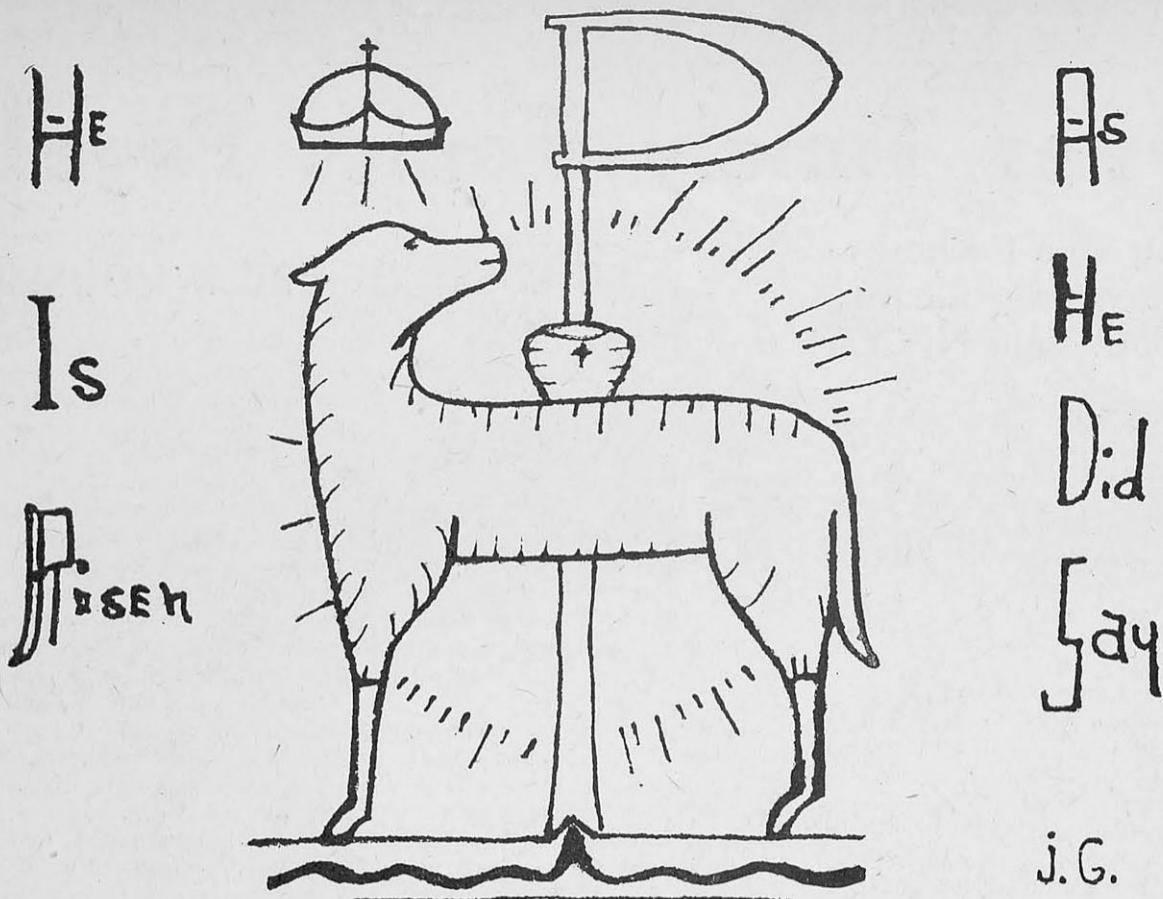
### Catholic Education

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unfortunate enough to be deprived of a Catholic elementary and secondary education. We are striving to integrate your ideas concerning the Church's teaching on the subject so that by this integration you will achieve a deep appreciation and love of your Catholic education. The natural result of this love will be great respect for the wisdom of the Church, Our Spiritual Mother, in promulgating such stringent laws concerning the educational process for Catholic students.

Sad to say, even among supposedly staunch Catholics, there is a feeling of resentment of the Church's inherent right as Our Spiritual Mother, to prescribe the teaching for her children. This article is meant especially for those students among us who harbor such feelings. We, as Catholic mothers of tomorrow must realize how absolutely essential it is to educate our children as whole (spiritually and physically) human beings, and if we fail in this regard the name of Catholic College Graduate will become a tragic epithet, rather than the challenging force that it should be in our chaotic world.

—Mary Frances King



## How Full The World

How still were the hills on that Sabbath morn;  
(Salome, the maid, carries spices sweet.)  
A bird sings afar as the sun's bright rays  
Filts dust disturbed by holy sandaled feet . . .

Of women three who slowly make their way  
(And Mary of Magdalen sometimes weeps)  
Up Golgotha's hill on a Sabbath morn  
To the hand-hewn rock where their Master sleeps.

And drawing nigh they see the stone rolled wide,  
(The heart of James' mother beats fast with fear)  
The linen unwound as though cast in haste;  
The competent guards fast-sleeping are near.

How white is the robe which the angel wears!  
(The spices lie forgotten by the way)  
Behold ye the place! Your Lord has risen!  
Haste to Galilee to see Him this day.

How empty the tomb but how full the world  
(Disciples mourn as they walk apace)  
With the breath of Him who brought new light  
And rising bestowed His saving Grace.

Jo Serafini '49

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## Forty Hours Marks Patronal Feast

The Forty Hours Devotions was held April 6-8 in the Chapel of All Saints. The devotions opened with a Solemn High Mass at 8:15 o'clock on Wednesday, April 6. The Mass and Litany were sung by members of the freshman Chant class, directed by Mr. George Schaefer.

For the first two days of Forty Hours, the Mass was celebrated by the Reverend William D. Casey, C.M. The close of the devotion on the Feast of the Seven Dolours was celebrated by a solemn high Mass. The celebrant was Reverend J. E. Ernst, pastor of Holy Redeemer Church; the deacon and sub-deacon were Reverend Peter G. Sattler, C.S.S.R., and Reverend Paul Woelfl, S.J., respectively. Reverend James E. Hoffich gave the sermon. Master of ceremonies was the Reverend William D. Casey, C.M.

Students kept a vigil until the close of the devotions with Mass on Friday, April 8.

As has been the custom, the devotions were closed on the feast day of the Seven Dolours of Our Lady, the patroness of the Sisters of Loretto and their pupils.

Many members of the clergy, as well as the lay friends of the Sisters, took this opportunity to extend congratulations, best wishes and thanks to them.

## Sophomores to Hold Community Lawn Party

An old-fashioned lawn party is to be the theme of the Sophomore-Community Party, to be held May 15 at 3:00 p. m. on the back campus. The members of the Loretto community will be the guests of the sophomore class.

Chairman Miriam Knight will be aided by the following committee heads: Anna Mae Donnelly, invitations; Margaret Ahearn, escorts; Mary Frances Stevinson, decorations; Dolores Yates, entertainment; Patricia Gits, food; and Helen Manion, clean-up. At present, final plans for the affair have not yet been formulated.



**Rev. B. Mullahy, C.S.C. To Address Students**

The Reverend Bernard I. Mullahy, C.S.C., will address the regular assembly on Monday, May 2, at 1:45 p. m. The topic of his talk will be, "Mary and the Atomic Age."

This is the second appearance of Father Mullahy at Webster. In the spring of 1947 he delivered a lecture entitled "Philosophy and the Atomic Bomb" that earned him the title of "Best Speaker for 1947." He is a professor of philosophy at Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, Indiana.

During the summer, Father Mullahy has taught at Laval University, Quebec, Canada, where he earned his Ph. D. He was instrumental in effecting the conversion of one of our alumnae, Joy Herman, who graduated from Webster in 1947. Joy spent her junior year at Laval and was received into the Faith in Quebec. Last October she went to the Motherhouse of the Loretto Order in Nerinx, Kentucky to take the veil as a Loretto nun.

## Committee for Sodality Nominations Announced

The Sodality Nominating Committee, which will nominate candidates to fill Sodality offices next year, was announced recently. The committee members are: Margaret Fillo, Carol Dunphy, Jane Higgins, Mary Alice Franzman, Marrison Reed and Rosemary Schmuck.

## Future Includes Meetings, Teaching For Lorettoines

Sister M. Roberta and Sister Francis de Sales will attend the meeting of the Catholic Renaissance Society in New York, April 19-20. Sister M. Roberta, vice-chairman of the Society, is to assume the duties of Chairman for the year 1949-50. The Sisters will also attend the meeting of the National Catholic Education Association in Philadelphia April 21-22.

Several summer teaching appointments have been announced, also. Sister Mary Louise will teach a course in the Catholic Literary Revival and Sister Francis de Sales will teach Spanish Literature at Loretto Heights College in Denver, Colorado. Sister M. Roberta will conduct a class in English Composition at Laval University, Quebec, Canada. Sister M. Harriet and Sister M. Aubert will attend the North Central Association Workshop at the University of Minnesota.

Sister Mariella and Sister Rose Maureen have recently returned from the midwest meeting of the NCEA and the North Central Association meeting of secondary schools and colleges. These assemblies took place in Chicago during the last week in March. Another faculty member, Mrs. Esther M. Brown, has returned from the Western Arts Convention which was held in Dallas, Texas, from March 22 to 26.

## PUBLICATIONS PLAN INFORMAL BANQUET

The annual press banquet will be held early in May. The chairmen for the banquet are Jayne Payne, Angela Donati and Mary Frances King. The banquet is held in honor of the staff members of the three student publications, *The Web*, *Loretto* and *Lauretanum*.

Those attending the banquet will include the incoming staff of the school year 1949-1950 as well as the present staff members. The informal affair is to be held in the cafeteria.

THIS IS YOUR FRESHMAN WEB

## Liturgy of Holy Week Exhorts Us to "Come and Mourn" for Christ

This week—Holy Week—gives each one of us an opportunity to manifest our religion in following the liturgy—from the growing hatred of the Jews against Our Lord, expressed in the first Masses of the week, to the culmination of their conspiracy. His execution, and the basis of our entire faith, His Resurrection.

The character of the liturgy is almost wholly changed. Hitherto being exhorted to do penance for sin, we are now to answer the plea of Mary who, at the foot of the Cross, said, "O come and mourn with me awhile." The *Judica* psalm and the *Gloria Patri* are omitted and a proper Preface is given. The Collects petition for grace to conquer sin through the Passion of Christ. A violet cloth hides crucifixes and images so that we may not be deterred from our most important consideration—the Passion of Christ.

### WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

The Introit is from St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians and is a triumphal cry in honor of Jesus. The two lessons are both from Isaiah who describes the "Man of Sorrows" who was despised be-

cause he took our sins upon Himself. The Gospel is the Passion according to St. Luke.

On Wednesday night the Office of Tenebrae (darkness) is held for the first time. The "anticipated" matins of the Divine Office for Holy Thursday are recited. In the sanctuary, fourteen of the fifteen candles on the triangular candlestick are extinguished one by one. The fifteenth candle is hidden behind the altar, and after several prayers is brought forth and replaced on the candlestick as the emblem of the risen Saviour.

### HOLY THURSDAY

On this day the Church commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist. The Gospel is that "of the washing of the feet of the Apostles. Two hosts are consecrated, one for the Communion of the Mass and one for the service on Good Friday, the latter being placed in a side tabernacle. The altars are stripped. In monasteries and certain churches the *Mandatum* or Washing of the Feet is held in the afternoon.

### GOOD FRIDAY

The priests wear black for the Mass of the Pre-Sanctified which is really the priest's Communion using the Host consecrated on Holy Thursday. The Gospel is the Passion according to St. John. The Adoration of the Cross follows with the chanting of the *Ecce Lignum crucis*—Behold the wood of the cross on which hung the salvation of the world—as the Cross is uncovered. The ceremony ends with *Pange Lingua*. The Sacred Host is brought from the "altar of repose" to the singing of the *Vexilla Regis*. After the priest receives Communion, the service ends abruptly.

### HOLY SATURDAY

Originally services for this day began on the evening of Holy Saturday and ended on Easter Sunday, being a single ceremony for the two days. Now, the ceremonies begin early in the morning with the blessing of the new fire and grains of incense to be used in the Paschal Candle, at the door of the church. A procession brings the fire into the church and a deacon chants the *Lumen Christi* three times as a triple candle is lighted. The five grains of incense, symbols of the five wounds in Christ's glorified body, are fixed into the Paschal Candle. The blessing of the font follows, and the people are sprinkled with the blessed baptismal water. The

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# Freshmen Take Over Timely Topics Page!

## THE FREE FASHION SHOW A STORY OF A MODERN EASTER

*"Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God the things that are God's..."*

I knocked at the door and it was only a minute before my young friend answered, smiling and pretty in her new Easter outfit.

"My, how pretty you look!" I exclaimed, and she, undoubtedly expecting the compliment, twirled around to give me a more complete view of the dress she'd spent so much time in choosing.

"You like it?" she asked, her face beaming. Then she proceeded to compliment me on my new Easter array, trying on my hat and wishing she could wear that style, explaining that her face was too long and therefore she had to be most careful in her choice of bonnets. Her mother came in, whereupon I was asked to put on a one-woman fashion show for her benefit, while she admired and complimented me. Anne then ran upstairs and brought down a dainty combination of straw and flowers and ribbons, the virtues of which occupied our conversation for at least ten minutes.

"You should have seen the display of hats in church this morning," Anne began chatting gaily. "I had no idea there could be so many different styles and not one alike! Why the whole Wilson family from the mother on down were wearing new hats and all as different as day and night. That alone, I'd think, would cover about everything possible.

"Jane Adams had on a darling navy blue straw that she must

have bought in the French Room. It just reeked with good taste and one could just tell it was terribly expensive. She had the cutest navy blue bolero suit—honestly, she looked just like she stepped out of Vogue."

"Oh, how is Jane?" I interrupted, "I haven't talked to her for just ages."

"I don't know. I didn't get to speak to her. I just saw her in church. She was sitting about eight pews in front of me.

"But let me tell you about poor Mary O'Brien. She had on the same dress she wore last year. I wasn't quite sure till she went up to Communion and I could see the front of it as she's wearing a different colored sash. But anybody could see she was embarrassed to death. She never once looked either to the right or the left but kept her nose in her Missal all during Mass. It must be just dreadful not to be able to afford new things. I'd just die if I had to wear last year's dress. But I guess it's better to be like Mary O'Brien than like Jean Thomas. She was there all decked out like an Easter egg, and everyone knows they can't afford it. And her poor mother has worn the same thing for five years.

"Oh, have you seen the Kraft twins?" she interrupted herself. "They were dressed exactly alike and looked so cute. But I'm sure if I were a twin I wouldn't like it 'cause I feel just ghastly when I just see someone in a dress like one of mine, let alone have another one in the same family. Thelma Stier's dress was rather similar to this but I didn't think quite as pretty. Her skirt wasn't near so full. But she was sitting way on the other side of Church so I don't think anybody noticed. Besides I made sure to avoid her coming out of Church.

"Goodnes, but I just love Easter Sunday Mass. There is absolutely no other like it. I love seeing all the new clothes and hats and things. It's just like a fashion-show—only for free."

—P. M. G.

### DEFINITION

The little child—  
His eyes  
Big  
With wonder—  
Sits at the feet  
Of his father  
Listening to a story  
Strange and  
New  
To him.  
His father,  
A man of intelligence,  
Versed in child psychology,  
Understands that the child mind  
Must be prepared for life's  
Big Events.  
He is  
Conditioning  
This small son of his  
To the meaning of  
Easter.  
What sweeter picture  
Than youthful innocence  
Ready to receive the  
Impact  
Of the great and glorious  
News!  
"So, you see, Son,  
Easter means  
Bunnies and candy  
And straw baskets  
Of brightly colored eggs."

—M. E. K.

—J. G.

## You Don't Know Everything; Learn About Your NFCCS

Dear Member:

Perhaps this little note will come as a big surprise to you, because there are many students on campus who do not realize that they are members of the National Federation of Catholic College students. Now, we are not trying to get money or to make sales—all we ask for is interest and co-operation.

### AIMS AND PURPOSES

Since there are so many girls on campus who know little or nothing about the NFCCS, we will try to explain the aims and purposes of the federation. The NFCCS, as its name implies, is a national group of Catholic college students. The federation was founded in 1937, and since that time has functioned under the leadership and jurisdiction of the students themselves. The purpose of the Federation is to give energetic and practical application regarding the formation of a Christian-minded apostolate among the Catholic laity. It also aims to improve student life, by acting as a medium for the exchange of ideas and experiences on the part of all member colleges.

In order to guide and check the Federation, the American hierarchy has appointed Archbishop Cushing of Boston as an Episcopal Delegate, and Rev. Vincent Flynn, president of St. Thomas College, St. Paul, Minnesota, as National Chaplain. The Regional Chaplain for St. Louis is the Bishop-elect, Charles H. Helmsing.

### PROJECTS AT WEBSTER

Like any active group, the Federation has a plan of action which it carries on throughout the country. This plan of action is in the form of National Commissions. These National Commissions are "National inter-collegiate associations for the study and action in relation to religious, cultural, social, political and economic problems, treated in the light of Catholic teaching and from the viewpoint of student life." Although we do not have a National Commission at Webster, we have concentrated most of our efforts on Student Relief. A dividend from the Musicale was sent for this cause and a very large amount of clothes has been collected to send to European students. The Radio Acceptance Poll, another project of the NFCCS, has functioned on our campus through the Sodality. There have been several girls who have taken an active part in this project.

### SPONSORS HOLY HOUR

In connection with the National Commission on the study of Mariology, the St. Louis Region of the NFCCS has planned a Holy Hour to be held on May 1, at Walsh Stadium. This program is being carried on by the four members of the St. Louis Region: St. Louis U., Fontbonne, Maryville and Webster Colleges.

Can't you imagine what a strong and dynamic group the NFCCS could be? It is hoped that by the formation of the Co-ordinating Council here at Webster, interest in the Federation and its activities will be stimulated.

Your Federation,  
—B. A. R.

THE WEB  
WISHES EVERYONE A  
BLESSED EASTER

## NEEDED BUILDERS OF BRICK HOUSES

Do you remember why the first of the "three little pigs" was eaten by the "big bad wolf"? We knew you would — because he didn't understand either the purpose of his house, the plans of the wolf or his danger; and so he built his house of straw. Even while this poor little pig sat by his fireside thinking he was perfectly protected, the wolf was inhaling. The big bad wolf huffed and he puffed and he blew down the poor little pig's house of straw, and ate him up.

And strangely enough, while we have been sitting complacently at student government meetings ever since September, the big bad wolf has been practicing his blowing. As you've probably guessed, we didn't understand the purpose of student government and for that reason didn't understand the danger of not understanding. We had built our positions there as weakly as the pig had built his house. We wanted the privileges and protection of student government, but didn't even realize the utter ridiculousness of sitting at a meeting once a week and not knowing why we were there. "And he huffed and he puffed" and the big bad wolf almost blew down our house and ate us (fortunately he had a sore throat at the time, and this gave us a chance to search and to discover the purpose of this student government).

We were almost flabbergasted when we discovered that in the *Catholic School Journal*, Dr. Edward Fitzpatrick, President of Mount Mary College, said that the

basic purpose of a student government association is the same as the basic purpose of the college. It is the instrumentality under student control for accomplishing this purpose. And if the basic purpose of Webster College is to form the true and perfect Christian, then our student government must aim at the same formation. This is an astounding thought. Imagine a student government association earnestly striving to help each member toward sanctity! It seems to us that it would be like a good Christian family.

One word which we had heard often in connection with this organization was "responsibility"; it had been tossed around so often we'd become suspicious of it. And yet, now we can see what this means. If the purpose of the College is to form true and perfect Christians and if we are to help fulfill this aim, certainly we must become aware of our responsibility as Christians — right now as Christian students. Our education here must do this, our whole education — that in which our teachers help us and that in which we aid ourselves through student government. Our Christian responsibility right now is to become integrated—whole—to realize how all things that we learn and do as students fit into God's Plan, how they affect our relationship to God and consider all events in that light.

Aren't we (as baptized, educated women) trying to build the new world of peace, order and justice with straw?  
—B. A. B.

## THE WEB GETS A RESPONSE FROM THE READERS

### INTEGRITY SUMS IT UP

Editor of the Web:

Sincere admiration on your audacity and righteous anger.

However, I must confess I read your article "I Went To a Public School" without getting excited at all and I am not so sure that would please you. The boldness of the article indicates that it was clearly meant to arouse controversy. But I contend that its cold logic and simple presentation of true facts can penetrate a sound thinking mind without passing through the turmoil of indignation or heated argument.

Special sincere admiration on summing up the lack in secular education by saying it is not integrated. I'm sure your Catholic readers have no trouble at all in realizing that the integration you mean, the main focus point of all phases of life, education not excluded, the pivot of living, is Christ. Only those who don't know Christ very well will fail to get the point.

Joan Hoogstraet

### "STOP, LOOK, THINK"

Editor of The Web:

Your recent article "I Went to a Public School" seems to have caused quite a controversy. However it seems to me that no controversy is needed, unless one cannot understand the truth, or unless one does not want to understand it.

Undoubtedly there are in the school former members of public schools. The majority of these I'm sure will have to admit that they had at least a few of the trials mentioned in the article.

Of course I am not saying that every Catholic who goes to a public school will become an atheist. That would be a rather rash statement for anyone to make. In fact many of my friends and even my brother have gone and are going to public schools and they are very good Catholics. They however have had the good fortune to go to public schools which are not as bigoted as those mentioned in the article. However, I know my

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# The Short and Happy Life-

Excelsiora Dudde opened her mail box and was ecstatic to discover her brand new issue of "Toujour" waiting for her. She was fond of "Toujour," for this was a magazine which dealt with realities. None of the molly-coddling ways of the usual femme mag for "Toujour." Fearlessly it attacked such problems of Inter-nation Behavior as whether or not one should treat a Zulu native chief as an equal, and can the traveler wear shorts in Nassau's central district with propriety.

## IN THE SWIM

The editors wrote, from their polished mahogany desks, of inhabitants, customs, food, and inferiority in other countries. Excelsiora reveled in the knowledge that, simply by subscribing to this glorious record of world events, she was in the swim of culture and chaos. It was a truly intellectual periodical, for each month "Toujour" dedicated its pages to a certain section of the globe. The staff would methodically dissect, bisect and analyze the chosen territory and then toss it aside as having accomplished its mission in creation.

## SHIMMERING SLICKNESS

She tore off the wrappings eagerly, and in her haste the book fell to the floor. Her first glimpse of the shimmering slickness that was the cover gave her quite a jolt and she speculated for a moment on the idiosyncrasies and foibles of modern censorship. After this lapse, she and her realistic soul both looked again. The illustration was one of a scenic view, a glimpse of a vast expanse of nature, covered, not with trees and shrubs, but with powder, pancake, foundation cream, rouge, mascara, and lipstick. The title of this month's issue was "The Wide Open Spaces." It was "Toujour's" western issue.

## SPRING—AT A PRICE

Flipping the pages, Excelsiora's eye was caught by an advertisement in six delicious colors. It depicted an emaciated figure, lan-

guishing over a bunch of wilted violets. The reader spent a few idle moments trying to differentiate between the stems of the violets and the body of the model but soon gave up the task as futile. The copy advised her to flee immediately to her nearest cosmetic counter and buy a breath of spring, whose delicious odor had been caught, bottled and peddled by Cody Inc. under the name of "Western Witchery." Poor unenlightened Miss Dudde had not realized until that moment that spring was being sold. She had naively thought that it was one of the better things in life that had remained free. Making a mental note that if she saved her quarters she might purchase a bottle sometime in 1978, she turned the page.

## SYNTHETIC ROBIN

She was somewhat surprised to be asked in large, bold, capitals emanating from a large, bold synthetic robin, if she knew it was Spring. Since the snow was pelting the windows with terrifying ferocity, Excelsiora was not aware of this change of season, and she answered the bold robin in the negative. For a minute, she wondered if he could give her the solution to a problem which had long puzzled her—why the May issue of a magazine was invariably put out in February—but she decided that since he was a product of the imagination of some well paid artist he would be biased and would not give her the truth anyway. She left him chirping his insidiously gay greeting to the silverware on the opposite page. Excelsiora never had been one for intellectual conversations, especially when they were with bold robins.

## HAPHAZARD HINTS

She now came to the Helpful Hint Section, conducted by Hepzibah Haphazard. This was the section to which she always looked forward and she zealously endeavored to carry out the sugges-

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# Comp-Poll Reveals State of Seniors Before Fatal Day

It's come — slowly, steadily, surely, like a thief in the night. A trial with a jury—a board which decided the fate of the innocent.

Surely you've guessed it by now. COMPREHENSIVES! What an ominous word! You sauntered quietly up to an unsuspecting senior, yelled "Comps!" (instead of "Boo"), and had to make a quick grab for her arm or she'd have made a dent in the ceiling.

## 14 LETTER THREAT

To think that such a simple thing as fourteen letters could strike terror in the hearts of our beloved, bedraggled "49-ers!" "Go west, young man" — what a tug at the heartstrings as those prospecting seniors feel the urge to do just that. Bet a slight pull at the shoestrings would send them flying anywhere, even south.

But perhaps we aren't being sympathetic. We don't realize what they have to go through as they pace the floor, bite their Revlon, and smoke those "level best Luckies," like so many wit-scattered gentlemen outside a maternity ward. Possibly a few unbiased views on the subject of comps, from those who are authorities on the question, may serve as an eye-opener for the hard-hearted, unsympathetic souls.

## MURDER, SHE SAYS

"Comps!" she screamed as I quietly asked her what she thought of that very touchy subject. With a heavy sigh she leaned back against her chair, threw her "grand slam" hand on the table face up and said, "I'm speechless. I've studied so hard I'm too weak to answer."

Another optimistic soul said, and I quote, "Why bother taking them? We know we'll get 100%. It will be a waste of time and a strain on our vocal chords." (Tell that to the Dean if you can.)

A very tiny English major came up with, "When you have five books yet to read, they aren't too pleasant to think about." I guess she has a point there.

## A BRIGHT SIDE

Then of course, there's always the bright side some take—"We'll pass; they have to pass us, especially if we got fairly good grades through the years. If we flunked, it would be a reflection on the school."

"Oh, golly," sighed the "but-not-for-me" senior. "I'm worried to death. I'm a nervous wreck. Just to give you an idea, I was writing home the other day, and I addressed the envelope to 'Dear Mom and Dad.' How bad can you get?"

Our A. A. president gave a very interesting and consoling answer to my question, "What do you think about your comps?"

## SOME THEORY

"Well," she answered, "I have a philosophical theory about the matter. As Mr. Wagner has told us, things aren't evil in themselves; it's their relationship with other things that makes them evil. Comps really aren't so evil in themselves, but in relationship with me..."

If the seniors could congregate all their groans, moans, etc., they would have quite a wailing chorus. A group of ten came forth with "Oh-h-h-h-h." And another, with "Ugh-gh-gh." And still another lone wolf gave forth with "Raspberries!" All these hidden talents!

## ANTICIPATION

A few juniors, anticipating their trial next year, gave me some of their ideas on the subject. I have been told that the theme song of the Junior Class is "Next year,

# CAUGHT IN THE WEB

What a catch! We really caught a "King"-fish this time.

She's a most particular species. In fact, we are willing to wager that there's not another one like her in the whole world.

Habitat: North St. Louis. Frequents Webster Groves and the Manchester route to same.

Physical Characteristics: Grayish-green eyes that almost twinkle out loud when she smiles; tailored suits that always look "just right"; and collar-long brown hair that she curled herself. And we do mean curled. It's a professional job if we ever saw one; absolutely no question as to which hair has the Toni and which hair is a non-conformer.

## NOT A FISH STORY

We suppose by now you have caught on that this is definitely not a fish story. There's no need for a fish story. When we write about Mary Fran King we can say such great big, outstanding true things that exaggeration couldn't be anything but an anticlimax.

To begin with, she's a Spanish major with a minor in Latin. The library's her favorite rendezvous for dates with Vergil and Pliny and Cicero and other such erudite gentlemen. But naturally she belongs to Webster's Spanish and Classical Clubs. Besides, she is active, not just as a plain old member, but as National Secretary, in Eta Sigma Phi, Classical Fraternity. She plans to travel to the National Convention of that Association this month in Athens... Athens, Ohio, that is.

## SHE RATES

We rate Mary Fran "First Class" in versatility. You'd think that getting A's in Spanish and Latin and supplementing those courses by her membership in language clubs would take up all of Mary Fran's time. Heaven's no!

We surely don't have to tell you that she edits the WEB. And we know you are equally aware of how up-to-the-minute she keeps her newspaper. She has an eye on current affairs; the ability to dig out the why's and wherefore's of controversial issues; the intelligence to know what is best to do; and the courage to do it.

## LORETTINE AND POLITICS

The LORETTINE shares honors with the WEB in claiming Mary Fran on its staff. She

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next year, something's bound to happen." — But what?

One pessimistic junior orated, "I have to pray first that I get through my junior year, then pray some more that I'll survive senior year, and then I'll worry about comps."

## ANOTHER KIND

Another junior maintains that they are not necessary. Comps, that is, not juniors. "If you can get through four years of school with fairly good grades, then it's silly to take those old comps. It's nerve-racking, and the majority of the time you don't do the work of which you're capable."

I guess those comprehensives are just a necessary evil. What has to be, has to be; one of the honors of being a senior, I guess.

## HAPPY ENDING

It came slowly, steadily, surely. The seniors pierced the very remotest corners of their grey matter. They survived — or, at least, no severe cases of nervous frustration have been reported. Now each senior has gone back to the routine of her own life, and the halls of Webster are devoid of mournful figures — till next year at "comps time."

"Book-Note" edited for the magazine this year.

Politics fascinate our girl. In fact, rumor has it that she stuck it out at Party Headquarters last election day till X. M. in the morning to hear the returns, and that



MARY FRANCES KING

they finally had to sweep her out with the old Dewey buttons.

Mary Fran saw active duty during the Student-Faculty Institute as a Resolutions Committee member. Right now she's working at co-ordinating Webster with her colleagues on the W. C. Co-ordinating Committee.

## FROM INCARNATE WORD

Graduation from Incarnate Word Academy in Normandy, where, a little bird told us, she was quite a whiz in Latin, found her tucking a scholarship certificate to W. C. into her scrapbook, along with her newly-earned diploma. Subsequent graduation ceremonies at Webster have seen her carting home more awards each year. (We suppose she'll absolutely have to bring a wheelbarrow this June!)

## STILL HAS SPARE TIME

You might think it was silly of us to try and find out what Mary Fran does in her spare time. But, as busy as she is, and as always in a hurry as we know her to be, she nevertheless does manage to squeeze in a little time for her favorite sport: bridge! She likes tennis, but admits she doesn't play it, she "plays at it." Swimming's more to her liking—here we are back to our "fish story." But when it comes to any sport that requires biceps, Mary Fran complains that she's "weak as a kitten."

Participation in the activities of the Young People's Club at her parish, Blessed Sacrament in North St. Louis, proves that Mary Fran doesn't confine her apostolic spirit to her newspaper writing. And her priceless ability to turn on that slightly satirical, dry humor at exactly the right moment proves that her earnest, serious mind is as versatile as her interests.

## MOVIE CRITIC

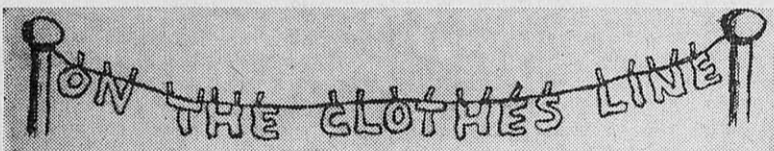
Mary Fran likes movies, but always goes as a critic. Afterwards she explains to whoever had the pleasure of her company (not infrequently a certain young gentleman from St. Louis U. Law School) what she liked about the show and why and what were the qualities in those scenes that made her like them.

Her chums avow that Mary Fran's "lots of fun" and a real pal when it comes to lending a hand with tough assignments, or overdue themes, even when her own homework is beckoning with a sinister hand.

"What!" says we to Jackie Brookshire, one of Mary Fran's best pals. "No idiosyncrasies? Does she do everything in a normal way?" "Heavens no!" says Jackie to us. "She does nothing normal! Mary Fran's super-normal!"

—P. K.

—J. H.



Father Daniel A. Lord, S.J., in his pamphlet on Preparation for Holy Communion, tells us that dress in preparation for the receiving of the Body and Blood of Christ has "almost sacramental meaning."

Father says that the elaborate preparations for First Holy Communion are not concessions to youthful vanity nor pride of parents. The children are dressed in white to help them realize the beauty of a guiltless soul. As you would dress for any party, so should you dress for the reception of the Eucharistic Christ.

"Modesty should of course be the characteristic," Father Lord states. "Neat and orderly garments can give a hint of the care expressed by a neat and orderly soul."

The neat and comely outfits in which Websterites will receive their Risen Lord are being prepared with this thought in mind (we hope): The most orderly ensemble is none too good for the Divine Guest of the soul.

Betty Ratterman has chosen a navy blue suit with navy accessories. Her only contrasting color will be the spring flowers on her cloche.

Wini Foy is wearing navy also, but with pink accessories, while Ellen Kent McNamara will be attired in just the opposite color

scheme—pink suit with navy hat and bag.

Suits seem to be in the majority this season. June Murphy will be wearing a brown one to which she plans to add bright green accessories. Marian Sly has chosen brown and green too. If all works out as planned, Marian will be seen in a brown silk dress she is patiently laboring over. She plans to top the dress with a kelly coat and brown hat, shoes and bag.

Pat Kinsella and Jackie Mousel invaded St. Louis one Saturday and came back with shoes and matching bags to complement their Easter togs. Pat purchased navy blue linen shoes and bag to wear with her pink dress and navy hat. Jackie chose cloth shoes, also, with white polka dots on brown.

Mary Ann Dunsford and Pat Cronin have both chosen navy suits, too. Pat is adding a white hat and bag to hers, but Mary Ann's accessories are still a good question.

And so we'll see these Websterites, along with the others, leading the Easter parade through the doors of their various parish churches. Oh yes! by the way, how about wearing last year's gloves, or the same blouse, and keep that extra money to drop in the collection box on Easter Sunday morning?

See you at church! —J. W.

**A. A. Banquet, Field Day Contests, Will Take Place May 17**

The annual Athletic Association Field Day will be held on May 17, a Tuesday, at 1:00 p. m. The skits given by the various classes will open the program for the day. The senior skit will be on the musicale, the junior on varsity, the sophomore on the dinner dance, and the freshman on the senior comprehensives. To decide the best of these, there will be four judges composed of members of the religious and lay faculty. Points will be given for the winning skit. Following these "dramatic productions," a three-legged race, a fifty-yard dash, a sack race, broad jump and a high jump will be held on the back campus. A girl may enter three of these contests, and though she doesn't compete as a three-legged racer, a dasher, or hobo, time-keepers will be needed.

After all these activities, there will be the dinner in the evening for all the members of the Association. The menu has not yet been announced. At the dinner, athletic awards will be made; there are to be trophies and ribbons for first, second and third place in the contests. The class accumulating the most points will also receive a trophy.

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tions found in it. This month's hints seemed a bit more sedate than usual. Shoulders and waists, she learned, would be about the size and location of her own. Excelsiora breathed a sigh of relief. For two seasons she had worn her shoulders just above her floating rib and her "cinched in" waist had felt and looked like the center of an ill-blown coffee perculator.

**DIOR WILLS IT**

The next hint was a bit harder to take. Her powder this spring was to be spun with silk. Vague misgivings swam in Miss Dudde's modish midriff. It was difficult enough applying powder spun with powder, without making the process more involved by mixing in the unnecessary weavings of some well-bred silk worm. Excelsiora envisioned herself tastelessly decorated with spidery wisps hanging from nose and chin. She immediately regretted this momentary heresy and turned to the East and bowed three times toward the House of Mainbocher, with a muttered prayer "Dior wills it."

**TERRIBLE TALE**

She spent a fearful ten minutes reading an article entitled "A Girl's Best Friend Is Her Rear View Mirror." It told about the ghastly social ostracism endured by one poor female simply be-

**Living Rosary Again Part of Holy Hour**

On May 1 in Russia there will be much celebration, for it is an important Red holiday. In St. Louis, the Catholic students are going to use their most powerful weapon against the Communists—prayer. On that Sunday the NFCCS is sponsoring a Holy Hour at Walsh Stadium. The Christian Brothers College band will begin playing at 7:30, preceding the program which begins at 8:00 p. m.

The archdiocesan choir, which is composed of one thousand voices under the direction of Gregory Millar, will sing for the occasion. The invocation, given by Father Sullivan, will be followed by a dedication of the students who are present to the Blessed Virgin Mary. All Catholic grammar school, high school and college students are invited to participate. The members of the ROTC of Saint Louis University will act as ushers.

The program will include also the living rosary, a speech on Fatima by Ed O'Connor, the reading of the Archbishop's letter by Bishop Cody and a talk on student relief. Benediction will conclude the hour. Here's an opportunity for the students of Webster to prove their Catholicism and zeal.

cause she did not realize that her hair was wispy and stringy in back. The poor maid lost her fiancée to the grocer girl, was deserted by her pet canary and tamed titmouse, and even had her sales slip with oak leaf clusters for bravery under the fire of a bargain basement clerk taken back by Macy's.

**THIS IS THE END**

Shocked at the results of a little carelessness, Excelsiora grasped at the ends of last season's curly cut and attacked them with a razor. Having faithfully applied her Sea Green Marine Lotion that morning, her hands were soft and smooth, and the razor slipped from them, cut an artery, and she fell on the floor, blood gushing all over the picture of the gaunt creature with breath like the exhalations of an Olympian Goddess, due to constant use of Colsodent.

Excelsiora's friends consoled themselves with the knowledge that she had died with her opera pumps on and they buried her with her face toward Paris. Thus runs her epitaph:

She followed advice  
By Arden and Dior,  
Thus she has gone,  
Excelsior.

—P. M.

**Tournaments Tops In Sports Schedule; Archery Included**

If you see arrows whizzing through the air after Easter, don't be alarmed. The Indians have not attacked us nor have we gone back to the medieval ways of fighting. It will only be the archery tournament in full force. Starting April 5, the gym will be open on Tuesday at 4:30 and on Thursday at 3:30 for the girls desiring instruction and practice.

Tennis balls will also start flying across the nets right after Easter. The tournament will continue through May, depending on weather conditions. Helen Manion, chairman, is busy with preparations now. Bonnie Jostedt, president of the Athletic Association, plaintively requests that the girls please wear tennis shoes while on the court.

A softball tournament is also to be held sometime after Easter. This will take place on the field down at Nerinx, possibly at twilight. There are no definite plans as yet.

The bridge tournament, under the chairmanship of Jody Willard, was held Sunday afternoon, April 3. Mrs. Carlson of Webster Groves conducted the tournament, which was won by Doris Nicholson and Shirley Elsey.

The basketball season was concluded April 1 when Webster defeated Le Clerc 43-22.

The program for Field Day, May 17, is being arranged by Dot Welsh, chairman of the event, and Joan Dufer is busy with plans for the Athletic Association Banquet to be held that evening.

—D. M. K.

**Liturgy**

*Contd. from p. 1* priest returns to the altar which has been decked with flowers and begins the Mass in white vestments. Statues and pictures are unveiled; and the organ, bells and alleluias are heard once again. The Mass of Holy Saturday is joyous because it was originally the midnight Mass of Easter Sunday, the conclusion of the long ceremonies of the Vigil.

**EASTER SUNDAY**

St. Leo called Easter Sunday the "feast of feasts" and truly it is the most important feast of the ecclesiastical year. The Mass is strikingly simple in its changeable parts. The Preface sums up the mystery of the Resurrection in two or three phrases. The Epistle of St. Paul tells us that we must be renewed with Christ. The Sequence summarizes the death and Resurrection. The beautiful antiphons are also simple and speak of the great mystery of this day which we celebrate on Easter Sunday and throughout the Easter

**Response** *Contd. from p. 2*

friend and my brother have experienced evidences of atheistic philosophy.

For those exponents of public schools I would like to say just a few words. The author of the article is citing her own personal experience. She is not saying all public schools are like that. Perhaps you know of a public school that is not the least bit like hers. That's wonderful, I'm glad to hear of it.

I have heard many arguments, such as the article is "terrible," "not true at all," and others of like nature. However, to those who judge so harshly, all I can say is: "Stop, Look and Think." Anyone, Catholic or non-Catholic, can figure out the article if they try to do it with a clear unbiased mind. Betty Jean Compton

**FEW SCHOOLS LIKE THIS**

Editor of The Web:

I, too, went to a public school—I will unquestionably defend the insistence of the Church in wanting her children in Catholic schools. It would be a ridiculous fallacy to deny this wisdom. However, the fact remains that some Catholic parents, due to large families and the consequent financial strain, find it necessary to enroll their children in public schools.

Such was the situation that placed me in a public school. As a result of this experience, I cannot help but believe that "A. A. K." was the victim of circumstance; circumstance which is extreme, isolated and individual. I gather from her article that the main spring in her atheistic trend was rooted in her advisor, an ardent professor of atheism. In this respect, he was definitely treading on fields irrelevant to his capacity. The office of an advisor in a public school is as follows: to help the student regulate his curriculum in accordance with his individual difference and aptitudes, to assist him in acquiring good study habits, to advise him as to a career for which he is best suited, to counsel and aid him in solving other problems which

Octave.

This is only a very incomplete report of the rites and ceremonies for the end of Holy Week: The liturgy for this week is incomparable in its spirit: the spirit of the Cross and the spirit of the Resurrection. This week it is imperative that everyone get into the true spirit of the liturgy and follow Christ. Remember the words of Christ Himself: "I am the light of the world. He that followeth Me walketh not in darkness but shall have the light of life."

might present themselves. Under no circumstances should the advisor attempt to shape the student's religion or philosophy—such would be opposed, absolutely, to the fundamental principle of public education—Secularism. In my four years experience, I never encountered such a person as described by "A. A. K." Note, I do not deny his existence in public schools. I merely say that this type is very much in the minority. I can remember no teacher who was not of high moral character, no teacher who exposed me to any philosophy foreign to my belief. At the same time, I admit I can find none who preached Catholicism or Protestantism as such. There is good reason for this.

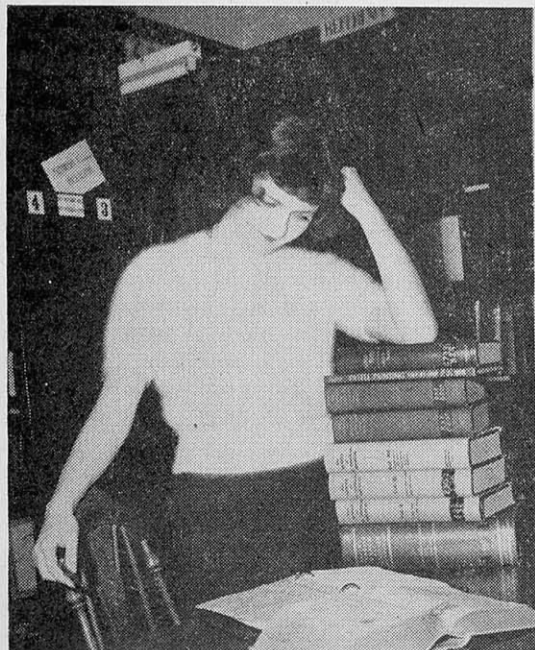
Public education is secular in nature. It presupposes an education on a plane unbiased by any specific religious belief. Human nature as it is, this unfortunately is a difficult goal to achieve for any teacher who professes a religion, Protestant or Catholic. As the majority of the teachers are Protestant, they are bound to inculcate these ideas, if only to a slight extent, in some of their teachings. In my case, and I think in the case of most Catholics, this inculcation was not obvious enough to distort my religious beliefs.

Perhaps I am among the more fortunate. I had no choice as to whether or not I would attend religious instructions outside the school. It was a "must" as far as my brothers and I were concerned. Not only was it demanded by our pastor, but also by our parents. Maybe this was the one fact that kept me on the "straight and narrow." I don't know. I do know, however, that the school itself encouraged such classes for Protestants and Catholics alike. Individual teachers, in accordance with the school's policy, made it as easy as possible for us to make up our work.

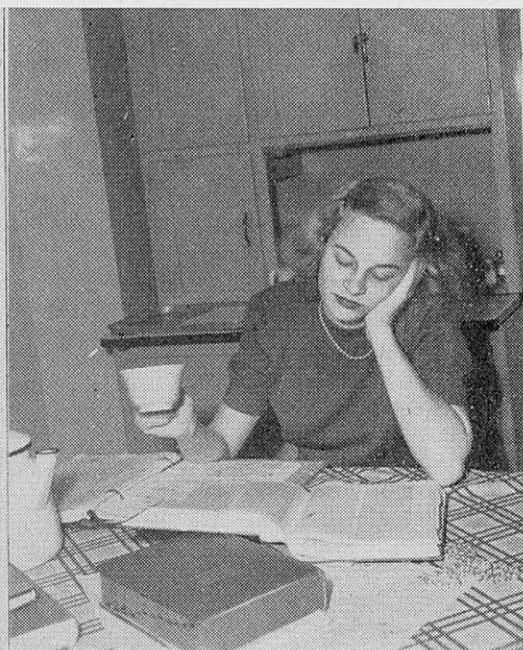
Again, I say, I am not defending public schools as ideal teaching situations. In the same vein, I cannot condemn them. However, my purpose in writing this article is not to determine their morality; rather, it is to make known to those girls who have not been exposed to such education that very few schools are dominated, or even colored, by atheistic poison and its counter-parts, as is interpreted from the article. "A. A. K." describes the extreme, the rare; I describe the medium, the average. I feel that the good of public schools far outweighs the bad. This is the idea I would like to leave with those of you who have not been "exposed."

Ann Michenfelder

**PICTURE STORY: FRESHMEN PANTOMIME SENIOR COMPS**



"Flash" is bewildered; where to begin is her problem.



Many rosaries and hours later finds Gretchen asleep in spite of black coffee treatments



"Dear God, I thank you for letting me pass," "It's over and I'm OUT," sighs Janet as she collapses.



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## Two Loretines To Study Abroad This Summer

Sister M. Felicia, professor of Sociology at Webster, will go to Europe this summer to study at the University of Fribourg in Switzerland. Sister Felicia and Sister Jean Carmel, now teaching at the Heights, who will accompany her, will be the first Loretines to be sent abroad for study. Both will take the same course of studies, "Europe Today," which will begin July 18 and end August 27. "Europe Today" is a course especially designed for American students.

Both Sister Felicia and Sister Jean Carmel are interested in the contemporary culture of Europe. Sister Felicia, who received her Ph. D. from St. Louis University, is now teaching and has been teaching Sociology here at Webster for two years.

The University of Fribourg is maintained by the Canton of Fribourg but is a Catholic university, the influence being predominantly Dominican. It is especially adapted to the study of Europe today, being situated on both French and German language frontiers.

Among the topic divisions of the summer course are: Survey of European Civilization, The Church in Europe, Main Currents of European Thought, Political Trends in Europe, and Economic and Social Challenges in Europe. Most of the courses will be taught in English although some will be taught in French. Among the outstanding lecturers who will give the courses at Fribourg are: Gonzague de Reynold, John Eppstein, Iginio Giordani, and Richard Pattee. Dr. Pattee spoke at Webster College last year on conditions in Spain.

The Sisters may engage in week-end tours planned by the University but arrangements for such excursions are not as yet completed.

## Fr. A. F. Wilmes Addresses Students On Liturgy

The Rev. Aloysius F. Wilmes, Secretary of the Archdiocesan Commission on Sacred Liturgy and Music, addressed the student body on Friday, May 20, on the topic of the National Liturgical Week to be held in St. Louis on August 22-26.

The purpose of the National Liturgical Week, the 10th of its kind to be held annually in the United States, is to increase understanding of, and participation in, the liturgy by the laity.

The theme of the meeting for this year will be "The Observance of Sunday."

In order to prepare the faithful for a fruitful participation in the Liturgical Week, Liturgical Days have been observed once a month for some time. The aims and practice of the ritual and chant are explained at these meetings.

This Liturgical Week is part of the Liturgical Movement that is spreading throughout the world, especially in the United States, in accordance with the wishes of recent Pontiffs, particularly as expressed by Pope Pius XII in his encyclical *Mediator Dei*.

## Loretto Boat Ride To Be Held June 7

On Tuesday, June 7, the Loretto Foundation will sponsor a boat ride on the Admiral for all Loretto students in Saint Louis. The boat will leave the Washington Avenue Wharf at 10 a.m. and will return at 4 p.m. Tickets are on sale in advance at fifty-five cents per student. Adult and children's tickets may also be purchased at the Loretto Foundation office at Webster College.

## Dr. C. L. Furrow Makes Annual Visit to W.C.

Dr. Clarence Lee Furrow, General Director of the North Central Study on Liberal Arts and a visitor of Webster College, paid his annual visit to the college on May 9. Doctor Furrow is a professor of biology at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill.

The program for Doctor Furrow's day on campus was under the direction of Sister Francis de Sales, Director of the North Central Study at Webster College. Doctor Furrow attended a class in Communication under the direction of Sister Edwin Mary; this course was introduced as a result of a study made by Sister at North Central Workshop in Minnesota last summer.

## Eight Seniors Merit Election To Kappa; Received May 15

Eight seniors have received notices from Sister Mariella, S. L., president of the college, of their election to Kappa Gamma Pi, National Scholastic and Activity Honor Society of Catholic Women's Colleges. The Kappas-elect are: Charlotte Baumgarten, Mary Margaret Hoffman, Mary Frances King, Joan Krebs, Doris Schnur, Virginia Stack, Rose Marie Saner, and Elizabeth Louise Taylor.

Eligibility for election to Kappa Gamma Pi requires the following qualifications: graduation with distinction from a college that is a member of the organization, regular matriculation for at least two years, and outstanding leadership and interest in extra-curricular activities.

The newly-elected Kappas attended Mass and received Holy Communion with other members of the organization at St. Francis Xavier (College) Church on Sunday, May 15. After Mass the girls were the guests of the honor society at a breakfast held in the Colonial Room of the Hotel Melbourne.

## Dr. Donovan's Message to Graduates

Fellow Websterites:

In this Commencement issue of the WEB it is my privilege to address those who love and respect the persons and the principles which have contributed to the greatness and soundness of Webster College.

History has recorded the sacrifices of Webster's faculty, priest, sister and lay, the generosity of parents, the devotion of alumnae, the character of the student body and the kindness of friends.

On your last day at Webster when you pay a visit to the Chapel say a prayer to the Blessed Mother that her Son will always be with you for your own and Webster's sake.

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE F. DONOVAN

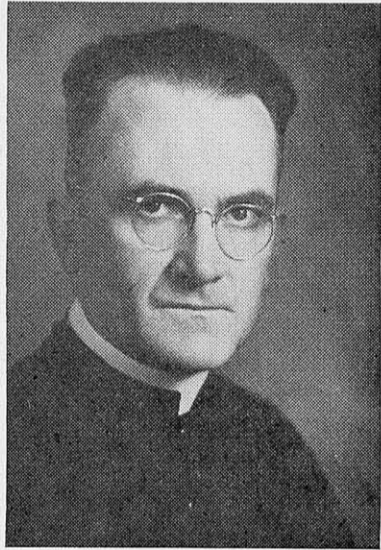
P. S.—Yes, am very sorry I shall not shake hands with every graduate on Commencement Day.

## Fifty-Seven To Receive Degrees Tomorrow; Rev. Leo Ward To Speak

Commencement exercises for the graduating class of '49 will be held tomorrow afternoon at 4 p.m. in the Nerinx Hall gymnasium located at Lockwood and Big Bend. Reverend Leo R. Ward, C.S.C., who is a Doctor of philosophy at the University of Notre Dame, will address the graduates.

After the commencement address Reverend Thomas V. Cahill, C.M., S.T.D., instructor in

religion at Webster College, will present the fifty-seven candidates for degrees. The confirmation of degrees will be given by the Very Reverend Paul C. Reinert, S.J., Ph.D., president of the St. Louis University. Reverend Leo R. Ward will confer the degrees. Bishop John P. Cody, Ph.D., S.T.D., S. C.D., auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, will be present in place of Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter, who is in Rome.



FR. LEO WARD

The speaker, Reverend Ward, is the author of a book published last April entitled *Blueprint for a Catholic University*, in which he shows the difference between a secular and a Catholic University. He asks what must be the integrating principle of the Catholic institution and presents his ideas on the qualifications required of students, teachers, and administrators. In his book Reverend Ward answers the questions concerning the aim of a university and says that it should seek to train the whole man.

Following the commencement exercises there will be a reception for parents and friends of the graduates in the new cafeteria below the auditorium.

## Three Websterites Join College Boards

Three students have accepted positions on College Boards at various department stores as representatives of Webster College during the summer. Dorris Fleck, sophomore, will act on the College Board at Scruggs, Vandervoort, and Barney and Joan Kavanaugh at Stix, Baer and Fuller. A representative has not yet been selected to work at Famous Barr. Marg Wolfe, junior, will be on the College Board at Marshall Field and Co. in Chicago.

At a St. Louis Fashion Center recent showing of fall clothes sponsored by Vogue Magazine seven Webster students modeled clothes for the buyers of St. Louis stores. They were Marg Wolfe, Marian Kienzler, Irene Wiggins, Maureen Starbuck, Cathy Higgins, Joan Cavanaugh, and Sue McKay. The fashion show was held in the Gold Room of the Jefferson Hotel on May 23.

## Baccalaureate Day Ceremonies Held Here This Morning

Baccalaureate ceremonies were held this morning beginning at 9:30 with a Solemn High Mass in the College Chapel, and the baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Reverend Paul A. Woelfl, S.J. The Mass was offered by: Reverend Thomas J. Stack, C.M., celebrant; Reverend Edward L. O'Toole, deacon; Reverend Harry J. Roberts, subdeacon; and Reverend William T. Casey, C.M., master of ceremonies.

After the Solemn High Mass the graduating class and the remaining members of the student body attired in cap and gown filed out to the front campus for the planting of the ivy. The members of the graduating class participated in this traditional ceremony. Jo Serafini read the Ivy Poem and eight of the graduates received Keys from the national honorary society, Kappa Gamma Pi.

The baccalaureate ceremonies ended with the turning of the tassels on the underclassmen's caps.

## S.G.B. Banquet Held Here in Cafeteria

The banquet for the incoming and outgoing members of the Student Government Board was held at 6:00 P.M. on May 30 in the cafeteria. Guests at the banquet were Sister Mariella, acting president; Sister Rose Maureen, dean of studies; Sister Francis Jane, moderator of the board; and Mrs. Joseph Barnicle, assistant moderator.

Following the banquet the new board met with the retiring board to consider recommendations for the functioning of the Student Government Board next year. They considered the suggestions given as a result of the recent Student Government Questionnaire.

Co-chairmen of the banquet were Mary Ellen Kilker, sophomore representative to the board, and Jean Kelley, freshman representative.

## NEW KAPPA MEMBERS



# Students Voice Opinions on S. G. at Webster

## FOUND . . . WORK WITH A CAPITAL "W"

During the past few months strange documents have made their way into the Web office. Some of these mysterious articles were obviously put there deliberately in the hope that they would be published (and many were), while others appear to be assignments or notes forgotten by some Webster scholar who stopped in to say, "Heavens, isn't that Web out yet?" If these articles were the only written masterpieces which we found on our already - too - littered copy desk, there would be no need for this article. However not long ago a battered manilla folder stuffed with important-looking papers pushed itself under our ink bottle in a mysterious manner. In a word the who, why, what, when, and where of this 8x11 container was completely unknown to all staff members. When we perused its contents rather curiously we discovered it to be a file—of all things of an employment agency, obviously still in existence! The following are excerpts from the record and correspondence sections which will surely convince you, dear readers, of the furor it created amongst us.

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**LAWYER:** Male or Female—One who believes that law and ethics cannot be divorced; openings now available in all phases of legal profession.

### CORRESPONDENCE FILE

Gentlemen:

I have heard that your agency is an excellent one for placing Catholic personnel. I am a good Catholic; attend Mass and Communion every Sunday. I am intelligent; graduate of Webster College, with a major in English. Please write me further details.

J. Z.

Dear J. Z.

We have opening in Father Clark's geographical department; however it requires intensive training and application in "extra mile" theory. Write in care of—

CEA

Gentlemen:

I have high school education, and am interested in almost any phase of Catholic Action. My qualifications are few except a burning love for Christ and a zealous desire to do something for "the least of his brethren."

A. N.

Dear A. N.

Come for interview at once.

CEA

Dear Sir:

I am graduating from college this June with a B.A. I have taken part in all social events and have become a bridge player par excellence. Do you have any openings?

S. Q.

Dear S. Q.

Life is not a game which depends upon expert bidding. We suggest you apply elsewhere.

CEA

Smith Realty Co.  
501 Northside Blvd.  
St. Louis, Mo.

Gentlemen:

This is to inform you that we will not renew our lease. We are moving to larger quarters. Our progress had slowly but steadily increased.

Yours truly,  
CHRIST'S EMPLOYMENT  
AGENCY

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** If any one knows where we could return this group of important records, please contact Web office. Please help us!

M. F. K.

## N.F.C.C.S. in Retrospect

By Pat McQuie

"The Lay Apostolate, A Call to the Catholic College Student" was the theme of the Sixth National Congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students, held this year in Chicago. Fourteen Webster students started answering that call, partially by attending the four day long Congress. We arrived at the Congress Hotel slightly worse for the wear, with no reflection on our three chauffeurs for the journey (even though Helen did make us push the car when the motor conked out). By the somewhat dubious means of sending Googan and Jodie back to the Desk three times to beg for the keys to our rooms, we managed to get cleaned up just in time to arrive at the first meeting—ten minutes late. Here we were orientated on Parliamentary Law, the Congress theme, and were given a bird's eye view of the various commissions and their work. We were given time out for dinner and with the aid of garrulous taxi drivers and a head waiter who said he had attended the first N.F.C.C.S. Congress in 1935 (N.F.C.C.S. was started in 1937), our little safari made it back to the hotel to the first plenary (meaning you had to be there) session, only fifteen minutes late.

The transition from Bishop Shield's address, which began the meeting, to a songfest by the New York Region, which closed it, was merely a taste of the rapid changes in tempo and thinking which we experienced during those four days. We learned to be set for regional meetings at any hour, usually around 12 midnight, and before the Congress was over, you could look at the face of the delegate next to you, count the circles under his eyes, subtract the result from the eight hours he should have got and arrive at the amount of sleep he did get. The only sights we got to see were the faces of the girls in the room with you before they applied makeup.

The next two days followed the pattern set by the first, except that we could choose to attend commission meetings of interest to us especially. Since Webster practically supplied a block, there was one of us at every meeting and, remembering those first blushing entrances, we came in on time.

We found that the "Congress" was well named indeed. The chairmen outdid Robert in following parliamentary procedure, and thus, when a student managed to get the floor, he held it by saying something more than mere words. The activity on other campuses made our own efforts at Webster appear totally inadequate in view of the work we could do. We marvelled at the work done for Interracial Justice in Louisiana, which was successful because of the complete enthusiasm and conviction of every student. We heard of student governments which sounded to us like a basis for an ideal democracy, with every member of the association willing to share an equal amount of responsibility in the government, and which, therefore, did not require faculty direction. In the meetings of Press, Catholic Action, and all the rest, we found an equal enthusiasm, as men and women of our age, phys-

## THE STUDENT SPEAKS . . .

This is a democracy, isn't it? We've been promised equal rights by our Student Government Constitution. We've been assured of an equal chance and an equal representation in all things. If such is the case, why don't we live up to it? Why do we let one girl monopolize all the offices in the school?

### LEADERS ARE MADE

The answer does not lie in the old reply, "She's capable, why not give her all the honors?" Certainly she's capable—capable because she was pushed into office her first year and was forced to develop those characteristics which make one a great leader. She fulfills all her duties; she

does her work well; she shows initiative. Oh, yes, she has all the capabilities of a born leader. But in reality, she wasn't born that way. At birth she was merely another squaking baby just like her classmates. But once upon a time luck crossed her path and started her on the road to success. She was elected to an office and ever since, she has been known as a so-called "great leader." It was through no fault of her own, however, that she attained this success.

### UNDISCOVERED TALENT

Sometimes I wonder if people are too lazy to realize that there are other girls in the class—girls who might show the same initiative, the same good work, the same spirit and zeal as our "born leader," if only given the chance. Yet most of them go on from year to year without an opportunity to prove their capabilities.

If this is a democracy, why don't we give others a chance to prove their worth? Why don't we distribute our offices among many instead of a few? Why don't we give others a chance to show us what they can do and to merit that title of a so-called "great leader"?

D. M. K.

Man alive, it's murder to have to sit there in the assembly during beautiful spring days, but then she didn't ever remember it being a picnic during the blustery winter days either. Vaguely, she could remember in the beginning of the year how hepped up every one got over the wonderful student government association which existed within the walls of her new school. How was it the dean had said it that first day?

"... Only through the common efforts of the Student Government Association Body could there exist such an organization." That final remark was followed by very enthusiastic applause from the students. She couldn't see what there was to be excited about, the whole deal never gave her a shot in the arm.

### FINDS MEETING BORING

Besides, the meetings seemed nothing else but a lesson in parliamentary procedure, with everybody asking for the question, answering yes or no, and a good deal of them not knowing the question after they asked for it. Be careful there. Maybe she was using the term "they" rather loosely. Perhaps, there weren't as many who felt the way she did about student government as she thought.

For how about those few, who are always on their feet ready to offer suggestions when suggestions are asked for; but then again, what about the rest of the chorus, the chorus that send up the beautiful strains of dropping knitting needles, or that study hall sound of pages being madly turned in an effort to turn out something for the next class, even if it isn't the best, and those wistful sighs of glorious boredom that fill out the alto.

### IT'S HER FAULT

Well that's funny, she thought, no reason she should suddenly feel so terribly guilty. Come to think of it though, this was the very first time she had ever really sized up the SGA, or rather her part in the SGA, since the first meeting in September. It might be that the meetings seemed boring and monopolized, only because she let them be

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## Here's Something Worthwhile; Why Not Be a Part of It!

How would you like to get in on one of the lower floors of a really big movement? All you have to do is attend the six remaining liturgical days and then participate in the Liturgical Week to be held here in St. Louis beginning on August 22. The evening sessions of the liturgical days are held at the St. Louis Cathedral Auditorium while the morning sessions are held in the lower church of the College (St. Francis Xavier) Church.

The first liturgical day in the future is on Friday, June 10, with a meeting at 8 p.m. at which the Mystical Body of Christ will be the topic of the address. On the following day, Saturday, June 11, there will be a dialog Mass and a demonstration of the Sacrament of Baptism.

On Friday, July 8, the Rev. Gerald Ellard, S.J., will speak on "Pius XII and the Liturgy—The Recent Encyclical." The next day at 9:30 a.m. there will be a High Mass and an address on the parish as the Mystical Body in miniature.

The final set of liturgical days will be Friday and Saturday, August 12 and 13. On Friday Mr. Bolen Carter will speak on "Family Life in Christ" and there will be an address on Liturgical Week. On Saturday there will be a High Mass and an address on "The Blessed Mother in the Liturgy."

These days will prepare St. Louisans for Liturgical Week with the congregation participating in the dialog Masses and practicing the music for Liturgical Week. It is everyone's duty to attend these meetings and to participate in their culmination, Liturgical Week, so that it will be a success and a credit to St. Louis and to Catholics.

ally at least, worked for a better world through the lay apostolate.

The Congress adopted many wonderful, workable, resolutions which aimed at all phases of student activity—political, religious, social, and international. Besides seconding these, the Webster delegation made a special one for itself. We resolved to bring back our experiences to those students who had not been lucky enough to go, in the hope that next year, we all may walk with heads held higher, knowing that each one of us has worked for the betterment of the country, of the school, and most important, of herself.

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THE WORLD SAYS...

## Prunella Is SO Wonderful!

Once upon a time there was a girl, Prunella Push, who was graduating from Pepster College. The mere mention of this fine girl's name was enough to bring a happy glow to the faces of her teachers; and her classmates marked their recognition of her superiority by voting her most likely to do just about everything. Students and religious faculty alike would nod and smile and step aside as Prunella came dancing through the halls joyfully chanting the Missa Recitata. She was graduating with a B average which might well have been higher if she had not incurred the wrath of a few of her lay instructors by standing up for her Christian principles.

### HOW WIDE THE SEAM

Prunella was wont to relate the tale of one especially memorable day when she had almost walked out of a class over the matter of how wide the seam of a dress should be in order to maintain the standards of Christian modesty. When she casually mentioned this in one of her seminars, the teacher was so impressed that she contemplated sending Prunella's life story to "Integrity" as an example of a fine, upstanding English major, but discarded the idea knowing that those who did not associate with the girl might miss the point of the incident. When graduation rolled around, she was awarded a special degree of "Cum Louder Laude" due to the notion of the faculty that hers would be the shot in the arm felt round the world. So Prunella Push left Pepster with her spiritual hypodermic needle, hoping to inject Push into her fellow Christians.

### CAREER COMMENCES

Prunella managed to get on the local paper as society editor, a

## Our Lady and The Bomb

By Georgianne McVay

The speaker who so inspired us with his talk on "Mary and the Bomb" is well known to Webster and, as Sister Roberta explained in introducing him, became acquainted with Webster because of Laval University. Father Bernard I. Mullahy, C.S.C., studied at Laval for three years and taught philosophy at two summer schools there. The girls who have studied in Quebec can tell you about his keen sense of humor which one recognizes immediately after having met him. Father Mullahy is originally from Massachusetts, although, as he puts it, his accent has been "corrupted by the middle west." He has taught philosophy at Notre Dame since 1939.

### CATHOLIC ACTION SHOULD BE THE SPARK PLUG

Father Mullahy is very interested in Catholic Action on the college campus, as a means of working for the apostolate as well as assisting the spiritual life of the students. He explained how he had seen Catholic Action functioning both at St. Mary-of-the-Woods, where he has been chaplain, and at Notre Dame. Lately, Catholic Action groups have been concentrating on the problem of intellectual lethargy among college students, but as Father Mullahy explained further,

position which she preferred to the job she was offered working on a rather closely budgeted Catholic magazine. On the paper she could bring Christ into the market place and anyway she had to make enough money to repay her parents for a little of the expense of her education, didn't she?

### MRS. MEEDYOCRE MANN

Time marched on and Miss Push became Mrs. Meedyocre Mann. She also became the light of the parish pastor's life, for she could be depended upon. Mrs. Mann was a positive gem when it came to little tasks like lecturing to the poor on the glorious state of poverty or to the richer ladies of the Altar Society on donating tithes to the Church. Mrs. Mann humbly refused to put her name on her lightly jingling Sunday envelope and her friend took it for granted that her donation was the one which headed the list of Unnamed Donations in the yearly financial report.

Of course, Mrs. Mann did not let her Parish Work interfere with her duties as Society Editor, for that wouldn't be doing her editor justice. Little, her one child, used to amuse himself after school by reading his mother's columns in the local and her occasional articles in the Catholic magazine on "Birth Control" and "The Duties of a Christian Mother." Little Mann did not understand most of these articles but the words sounded pretty and they gave him something to do until she came home from work. Sometimes she didn't get home and Meedyocre and Little would sit down to a dinner of boiled rice, boiled potatoes, and jello, cooked by Mr. Mann. Prunella's husband was a miserable cook—her friends agreed that he was one of the few mistakes she had made.

One day, while reading an article on a cocktail party given by the owner of Restricted Apartments Inc., Little was surprised to see his mother stomp angrily into the house. She dialed a number and Little stopped his reading for a few minutes to listen in.

"Can you imagine? When I asked him for that holiday off next week, he wouldn't give it to me. He actually asked me when I had joined the Church! And when I told him that the orphans needed me that day and I simply had to have it, he said my own orphan needed me more and fired me! But I'll get that job back. Can you see me sitting home?"

Little didn't hear the rest. He was looking at the illustrations of Mrs. Mann's latest article "The Ideal Family."

—P. M.

er, Catholic Action should be the spark plug for the other college organization. It is sometimes hard to see just what problem of student life comes under student government, Sodality, and other groups, but Catholic Action aims at choosing some particular problem of student life and compares the actual conditions with the ideal conditions. Then it can work through the other school organizations. For instance, some groups study such problems as student-faculty relations or recreation.

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### LUKE-WARM ENTHUSIASM

These students are convention goers,

The energetic, good will sowers Who now intend to propagate The much discussed Apostolate. One attends a three hour meeting

To discuss exams and cheating. Though she agrees that cheating's wrong

She thinks that change is hard and long,

And one to start change she is not

She still puts slugs in the street-car slot,

Arguing that since the fare's too high,

She sees no reason to comply. Another meets with Catholic Action

Which hopes to form a student faction

To make their fellows realize That Christian thought should guide their lives.

He loudly seconds each resolution

Designed for a Christian revolution.

That night he sings and laughs and stammers

Hit by the thud of two "Velvet Hammers."

"What's wrong in a drink or three," he asks,

Hazily next morning—at Sunday Mass.

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They spend their nights

Dissecting, discussing, Thinking to change

The world with their fussing. And hunting for change

Far and wide they will roam Forgetting, like charity,

That change starts at home.

—P. M.

## Catholic Action: It Takes Only Two People

Ask the average Catholic college student the meaning of the terms "Catholic Action," "Lay Apostolate" or "Mystical Body of Christ" and almost immediately he will come back with some vague explanation of a giant organization with notions of changing the world. In reality the whole thing is ridiculously simple. The "organization" is not the essential; neither is the "agitation" which is usually substituted for real action. The essence and objective of Catholic Action can be stated in one sentence: it is the realization of the Kingdom of God in the world. By "in the world" we mean the world as it really is; not as we dream we should like to have it. The part of the student in rechristianizing this world begins in his own little world, his own environment—the University.

### SPECIALIZATION RAMPANT

The University today has fallen away from its original tendency toward universality and spiritual unity. In previous ages the student entered a university to acquire truth. Today he goes there to acquire professional training as quickly and cheaply as possible. In other words, the University no longer produces cultured men and women, but specialized technicians. The ultimate objective of the student lay apostle is, therefore, to restore a genuine higher education to the University—one which is spiritually balanced and based on true Christian thought. This cannot be accomplished with one stroke of a magic wand. It may take

### WHY HIDE

## YOUR MOST PRECIOUS GIFT?

Remember the song "Has Anybody Here Seen Kelly, K-E-L-L-Y?" Well today, we're singing "Has Anybody Here Seen an Apostle, A-P-O-S-T-L-E?" Perhaps the new words don't fit in as well, but the searching is more frantic!

Apostles—apostles—

Where are they hiding? Why are they hiding? For what greater gift can be given man than Divine Life? And what greater privilege could enclose itself in this gift than the privilege of being an instrument by which God shares His Divine Life with others?

### DIVINE LIFE IS THAT GIFT

When God gives a person His Divine Life, when God enlightens his mind to understand the truth of his relationship to God, when He gives this person the desire for sanctity (the union of his will with God's), this person in desiring to conform his will with God's becomes an instrument which God uses to share His Divine Life with other men. If the will of God is that all men share His Life and this person is sincerely striving to conform his will to God's he also desires that he and all others share the Divine Life, and therefore, becomes an instrument which God can use for this purpose. This desire of conforming the will to God's and thereby becoming an effective channel of Grace to his brothers is the apostolic duty of every Christian.

### BAPTISM BESTOWS IT

By our very Baptism we were made members of the Mystical Body of Christ. This Body by its nature being apostolic, the Catholic is thus apostolic also, sharing the nature of the Body as the branches share the nature of the Vine... Christ depends upon His Mystical Body to complete the work for which He lived and died. The Body can continue His mission here and now or stop the work of Redemption. Paul McGuire has said, "The Christian must do one or the other. There is no neutral position. He is either with his God or against Him. To be passive is to be

years, even decades, to complete. The only way to rebuild Christian education is to start from the bottom. But what's to be done, who's to do it, and where do we start?

### REMEMBER YOUR NEIGHBOR

First of all, the essential characteristics of the lay apostle are: responsibility, realism, self-sacrifice, and a sense of mission. Too many Catholics emphasize personal sanctification and ignore or avoid sanctification of their neighbor. The student who is serious about rechristianizing the University must not only breed spirituality inwardly but must act as a leaven among his fellow students and workers.

### JUST TWO PEOPLE

It doesn't take much to start practicing Catholic Action. You don't have to put up posters and notices proclaiming a great new organization destined to shake the world. All you need is two people: you and someone to work on. Once that person is won over, the two of you begin to convince a third party. Before too long there should be several small groups working on the campus. There need be no formal meetings except maybe over a

against Christ... The Christian Body is essentially dynamic. Passivity in all its members is a denial of their nature; and a refusal of graces specifically given for the apostolic task." He also says that the immediate problem is to make Christians understand their nature as Christians and the sort of energies they possess.

The apostolate represents no more than normal Catholic life (Catholic life as Christ intended it to be). It is the duty resultant upon the reception of Baptism and Confirmation, and duty of obedience to the Vicars of Christ.

### LAITY ARE EXTENSION OF PRIESTHOOD

The apostolate is in essence the same for clergy and lay people, but the laity must always be mindful that they are simply the extension of the priest. He must form and direct them in their apostolic work and be the mainspring of the whole movement. The success of the apostolate will be judged entirely according to the spiritual quality developed in the apostles and brought by them to bear on this work. It is precisely the development of spiritual quality that is the work of the priest. The apostolate is necessary for man to complete himself!

Most of us don't wear "bright green ties" as K-E-L-L-Y did, so the only way for those who are searching for A-P-O-S-T-L-E-S to find us is for us to understand our nature as Christians and become aware of our energies resulting from it.

—B. B.

coke. A meeting with the campus chaplain at regular intervals would be profitable. Once it's started the method of procedure is simple: know, judge, and then act. A good theoretical knowledge of religion is necessary, of course. With that knowledge the lay apostle analyzes the group and environment to which he belongs and then judges the results in comparison with Christian principles. Then comes the action itself. This must be something concrete, something for which the student will feel personally responsible. For instance, a companion may need help in preparation for exams. He may have some small but bothersome personal problem that needs outside assistance. He may be cultivating bad companions or he may need some light on a moral matter. It is the duty of the lay apostle to prepare to give such assistance and to reach his fellow student where the priest or chaplain cannot. Too much should not be attempted all at once. It is best to take one problem and work with it to the finish before beginning another.

### "LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE..."

The modern world no longer is satisfied with theory. It wants action! For that reason debates and discussions on current problems rarely bring concrete results. The lay apostle must get into the thick of things where the largest number will hear him. The school paper, dramatics, international relations clubs, and large student organizations afford excellent opportunities to bring attention to pagan fashions, movies, radio programs, and social conditions. The lay apostle

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## NEW OFFICERS AT WEBSTER



At a meeting of the Student Government Assembly, Tuesday, May 3, JoAnn Ritter, Junior, was elected to the office of Student Government President for the school year of 1949-1950. Jody was President of her class in her freshman year and class representative to the board this year.

On the Friday preceding the Student Government meeting Dorothy Mullally, President of the Missions, was elected to serve as Prefect of the Sodality for the coming school year. Sodality elections completed at the same meeting are: Vice Prefect, Jean Mattingly; Treasurer, Shirley Elsey; and Secretary, Martha Abbott. Susan Buckler was elected

Mission President.

Boarder's meeting was called Tuesday evening, May 3, for the purpose of electing Hall President and Representatives to the House Committee with the following results: Ann O'Bryan was elected Hall President; Ann Kraft, Sammy Sloan, and Mary Lue Cross are the representatives from the incoming Senior, Junior and Sophomore classes respectively.

The following Wednesday Class Presidents and Representatives to the Student Government Board were elected at class meetings. Dorothy Thomas is the President of the incoming Senior Class and Jeanne Reno is the

representative. Junior Class President will be Shirley Elsey, with Kathy O'Malley and Joanne Boone serving as representatives. Betty Raterman and Mary Jo Klein are the sophomore officers, president and representative respectively.

Officers of the Student Government Association elected Thursday, May 5, are Vice-President, Frances Catanzaro; Secretary, Jeanne Reno; and Treasurer, Joanne Boone.

At an earlier meeting of the faculty Jane Higgins and Frances Catanzaro were chosen Senior and Junior faculty representatives to the Board.

school, the factor which keeps things ticking.

And what goes with that association board? Maybe she would plan to attend the very next meeting and find out . . . yeh, maybe she'd do that!

D. D.

### Mary and the Bomb

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#### LET'S BE ESSENTIALLY DIFFERENT

The need for Catholic Action has arisen because religion has been placed in a certain segment of life and is not allowed to permeate all human activities. "Everything you do has to be different," Father Mullahy said, "not in the sense that if the pagans dance, you have to play hockey, just to be different, but you have to dance in a Christian way, or go on outings in a Christian way." He cited the thought-provoking question of how long it would take an outside observer to see the difference between Catholic college girls and pagan college girls.

#### WHY NOT A CELL AT WEBSTER?

Catholic Action has a special technique. The cells are composed of about ten members under the guidance of a priest who aids the members in their spiritual life. The meetings include the discussion of a certain problem, reports on action taken previously, and a Gospel commentary, read by a member, which the members apply to their own problems. When a case for action is brought to attention, the Catholic Actionists do not present a solution first. The tech-

and glorify your Father who is in Heaven."

J. J.

### The Student Speaks

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that way. After all there wasn't anyone who was going to force her to be active, to be alive, to be interested in the heart of the

## CAUGHT IN THE WEB

By Georganne McVay

#### CAROL DUNPHY and BETTY COMPTON

The next chapter in the life of Seaman Carol Dunphy will begin on June 8 at the Loretto Motherhouse when she enters the novitiate. Carol, a junior, has had such a wide range of experiences that we sometimes suspect she came to Webster just to have an audience for her adventure stories. Our Duncie (she became The Duncie when she was a freshman—through a mispronunciation, not a misunderstanding; she has proved the inappropriateness of the name with A plus term papers and other achievements of that category) graduated from Holy Family High School in Denver in 1940. She prepared for a stupendous career in the world with a course at a business college. The business world career turned out to be the job of stenographer in a law office and later that of secretary at the Denver and Chicago Trucking Company. Then came the military life. Carol was in the Waves for two years, two months, and ten days. She was a specialist Q at Pearl Harbor, where she claims she spent many happy hours on the beach at Waikiki. Contrary to popular opinion, she was not at the bombardment. After globe-trotting in this fashion, she came to Webster. She was faculty representative to the Student Government Board this year and served as chairman of the Freshman Advisory Committee. In her sophomore year she was secretary of the Classical Club; this year she was a member of Eta Sigma Phi, national honorary classical fraternity. Along the literary line, she was associate editor of the *Lauretanum* and *Loretine* this year. She belongs to the Poetry Club—by the way, Thomas Merton is her favorite poet. Carol is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Dunphy of Broomfield, Colorado. Her best adventure stories

are about her family—her brother raises rabbits and show dogs. One of her sisters was married recently; Duncie was displaying some snapshots, and naturally everyone rushed to see the bride and groom; the snapshots were of the show dogs. Her other sister is Sister Mary Carol, S.L., and teaches at St. Ann's in Normandy. Carol was captain of the junior softball team which almost beat the freshmen. She is assistant to the assistante Dean of Women—her office is directly across from Mrs. Barnicle's.

Do you remember the sophomore who was knitting maroon tights last winter? It was our redhaired Betty Compton, but the tights were for a gift, not a part of her wardrobe for June 8. We always see Betty speeding around in a big Nash with an air horn, but since her father is a dealer, you never can tell what car she'll zoom up in next. The early chapters of Betty's childhood include being a page at the Veiled Prophet Ball. She has been taking voice lessons at Webster since she was eight years old. She sang with the St. Louis Women's Symphony when it gave a concert at Webster this year, and she has sung over KWK for the Catholic Hour several times. She plays the piano, but a classmate reports that she never seems to be able to learn a piece; she astonished the class with a performance of "Elegy" one day; she happened to like it so she learned it. It is rumored that she always practices with the soft pedal on. How modest can you be about your talent? Betty, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Compton of Kirkwood, graduated from Nerinx Hall. She has a sister and two younger brothers. Her Webster activities have included membership in the Sodality, Athletic Association, and being publicity manager for the Music Guild.

### Lauretanum Thrills All at Senior Assembly

FORTY-NINERS SAY

The Class of '49 held their Senior Assembly in the auditorium on May 23. During the meeting Betty Lou Taylor and Jackie Brookshire, dressed as miners of '49 read the Senior wills and prophecies to the assemblage. Following this, Ann Michenfelder, president of the senior class, gave a farewell speech.

At the close of the meeting the *Lauretanum* for this year was given out by Angela Donati, editor. This year the book of light blue leather, was dedicated to the Ideal Webster Girl and the Blessed Mother.

To all at Webster,

These few words cannot begin to tell you how much I enjoyed editing the *Web* during its Silver Anniversary Year. As I worked hand in hand with my staff members who shouldered the greater part of the actual work, Sister Edwin Mary, our moderator, and Sister Germaine, our photographer, I learned many things—how to appreciate true friendship, something more about real Catholic literature, that students enjoy a certain number of thought-producing articles in each issue, and finally the warm feeling that an editor experiences when one of the readers bestows a spontaneous word of praise, or if the case may be, "fighting words" over a controversial issue.

Your *Web* next year will be more Catholic, more revolutionary, more interesting than ever before under the capable leadership of Angela Donati. I know that God will bless her work and that of her new staff just as He blessed ours this year! Thank you from the bottom of my heart for letting me hold the job for '48-'49.

Sincerely,

MARY FRANCES KING

### 49-ers Look to the Future

With graduation drawing near, we all wonder what the seniors intend to do with their shiny new degrees. To settle this question your reporter asked some of our graduates the following question, "What do you intend to do after you leave school?"

Here are some of the answers: PAULINE CHENG: "I've not decided yet, but I think I'll do further studying at the U."

PETE PORBECK: "Nothing exciting for me. I'm going home and work for my father."

BONNY JOSTEDT: "Pete takes that back. We're both going to be bums."

JOAN KREBS: "I'd like to teach Art or French, or else I'd like to get into the dress-designing field."

PEGGY MASON: "I'm going into rural social work."

ANN MICHENFELDER: "I'm going to do work in speech-correction."

JOAN SCHMIEDESKAMP: "I'm going to teach first grade. Stop laughing!"

ROSEMARIE SANER: "I'm going home and relax and tan for three months; then I think I'll sink my teeth into speech-correction."

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must always bear in mind that what he **does** carries more weight than what he **says**. Actual service is the only way to restore the pagan world to Christ. St. Paul believed in **doing** back in the first century. He said, "Let your light shine before men that they may see your good works