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NEW LECTURE SERIES TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK

Six Prominent Lecturers Scheduled to Speak To Students

A comprehensive program of lectures has been planned for the second semester. A partial list of the lecturers, each one a specialist in his subject, includes:

Rt. Rev. Philip Salmone, D. D., Ph. D., a native of Egypt and Archimandrite of the Byzantine Greek Catholic Church, who will talk on "Byzantine Art, Ancient, and Modern," Jan. 24.

Mr. George B. Logan, attorney and instructor of business law at Fontbonne, who will give a lecture on fundamental points of law, on Jan. 26.

Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., who will outline the develop-

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Lively Silent Dramas For Wednesday Night Fans

The Wednesday night movie has taken on new interest since, through the courtesy of Mr. John Marlow, a series of newer and better releases have been obtained. The schedule for the next four weeks is as follows:

Somebody's Mother, and comedy, January 25.

The Fair Co-ed, and comedy, February 1.

On Your Toes, and Oswald comedy, February 8.

Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary, and Our Gang comedy, February 15.

Mr. Marlow, the benefactor of Fontbonne movie fans, is a resident of Herrin, Ill., and is the father of Helen Marlow of St. Joseph's Academy.

Non-resident students are invited to return for the pictures.



MILDRED BISCHOFF,
President of the junior class, who will
lead the Junior Promenade
February 9.

The King's Henchman Visits Music Department

Rafaelo Diaz, of the Metropolitan Opera Company, tenor, who recently sang the title role, Aethelwold, the king's henchman, in the American opera, "The King's Henchman," by Deems Taylor, was the guest of the music department at Fontbonne on Wednesday, January 4, the day after the opera was heard at a local theater.

Mr. Diaz, who is a staunch Catholic, is intensely interested in the work of the Sisters in musical education.

Examinations will be held on January 25, 26, and 27.

Students will register on the following days:

Resident students, January 28.

Non-resident freshmen, January 30.

Non-resident sophomores and upper-classmen, January 31.

The second semester will begin February 1.

JUNIORS PLAN NOVEL FEATURES FOR PROM

Season's First Formal to Be Most Colorful Event of Year

The secrets which the junior class have been so zealously guarding are at last released. The Junior Prom, the leading social affair of the year, is scheduled for February 9. The juniors have engaged the Varsity Club orchestra and are providing other features on a lavish scale.

The following committees will give a clue to the order of the evening: Invitations and programs, Corinne Dewes, Agnes Reilly; orchestra, Agnes Ibbetson, Alice Igoo, and Agnes Collins; decorations, Catherine Dever, Naomi Droll, and Rosalie Morrissey; refreshments, Mary Aloysia Knapp, and Loretta Hennelly; souvenirs, Dorothy Joyce, Mary Kiely, and Marie Freudenstein.

The officers of the junior class are: Mildred Bischoff, president; Mary Kiely, vice-president; Mary Aloysia Knapp, secretary; Agnes Reilly, treasurer.

Rev. J. J. Gunn Will Give Retreat

The Rev. Joseph J. Gunn, C. Ss. R., is to conduct the annual retreat which will open Saturday evening, March 31, 1928, the eve of Palm Sunday, and close the Wednesday of Holy Week.

Father Gunn, who is a native of St. Louis, is at present pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succor, Kansas City, Mo. He is widely known as a missionary and retreat master.

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A GOLDEN THREAD

In the golden tapestry of the lives of the saints there is woven no more beautiful picture than that of St. Agnes. The story of this little thirteen-year-old girl who, according to St. Ambrose, suffered "a double martyrdom, one of purity and the other of religion," has a universal appeal. So highly has Agnes been honored by the Church that she is one of the seven women whose names are mentioned in the canon of the Mass.

However, St. Agnes is above all the patroness of young girls. Since the fourth century she has continually been the model which the Church has held before Catholic girlhood. No other woman, save the Queen of all women, has better represented that ideal to which the Church has elevated womanhood.

A statue of St. Agnes, holding a lamb, symbol of her innocence, is in the chapel. No Catholic girl should let January 21st pass without paying some tribute to this child-saint whose client she is.

HOSE OF ANOTHER COLOR

One of the most interesting phases of that highly specialized feminine amusement, shopping, is trying to identify a shade of silk stockings. Not long ago we learned that the shade that we had, in our ignorance, called gun metal was — ecstasy. Closely related to these shades, and yet subtly different, is blue fox. It is all very

confusing. Dawn, blond, and atmosphere all seem the same to amateur eyes, but the unhappy customer who timidly mistakes one for the other is made to feel her blunder by a withering saleswoman.

We deny that this is an age of prose and practicality. The spirit of poetry still lives. Imagination such as waged the battles of Troy or peopled an Inferno is still vibrant. Literature equal in charm to the sensitive beauty of Keats and the descriptive passages of Wordsworth is not unknown to the twentieth century. This, all this and more, may be found in the stocking ads.

PAGE THE INTERNE

Appropos of nothing in particular, New Year's resolutions having been made, it is about time for them to be broken, or if not broken, then, badly bent. Convention has it this way. Enthusiasm rises high at the beginning of the year, but as days go by—interest wanes until these so-called fixed determinations fade gradually away. After a lingering illness of a few weeks they die from lack of sunlight, nourishment, and mental fresh air.

A question arises as to the advisability of procuring health charts and remedies for this resolution disability and pronounced psychic indisposition. The diagnosis shows one outstanding feature—lack of constancy of purpose. Each chart must be individual, and each remedy must have a distinguishing feature. Every patient must plan his own chart and apply his own remedy. With this mental therapy going on vigorously, his resolution, although demanding effort, could be kept, and if broken, could be mended.

What the Press Club Wants

Requirements for Press Club membership were defined in a meeting held Monday of this week. The prospective member must be presented by an active member and must have assisted Fontbonne's press activities by "breaking into print" in the Font, or failing in that, the metropolitan dailies, or else by securing ads for The Font.

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FORECAST

With apologies to Mr. Phillips

January

All students will make resolutions. (Is it a coincidence or lapse of memory for good excuses?)

Someone will start a scandal.

It will be denied and a better one started.

The juniors will give something.

There will be a drive to enforce the payment of library fees—five cents an hour.

The sophomores will sign a petition to obtain permission to initiate the freshmen—they will regret it.

February

The juniors will give a Prom.

Cecil will give another elegant extravaganza.

The Font will be out late.

There will be an ice carnival on the field track.

The seniors will raffle something.

All students will employ the "cessatio" for a holiday on the 29th.

The freshmen will call a class meeting. Where? When? Why? See May.

March

See January and February.

April

The students will go home for Easter and come back.

The juniors will give something or do something.

The Font will be only one day late—the editor will be out of town following a hunch.

Another scandal per usual will follow the holidays—to be immediately denied.

The sophomores will vote to reconsider the previous question of initiation.

May

The seniors will referee "the most popular girl at Fontbonne" contest—entrance fee will be fifty cents.

There will be great excitement—the freshmen will break down and entertain.

The class of '30 will be given permission to initiate the class of '31.

The Font will have only one full page of Ads—all business shows up during the year of the presidential elections.

June

The members of the sophomore class will announce the date of initiation—February 29, 1929.

More ivy will be planted on the old historic walls of Alma Mater.

The final basket-ball game between — and — for Fathers' Club trophy will be played.

The seniors will graduate and embark on the dark sea of adventure.

The juniors will not give anything until—

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Promising Season Opens for Cagers

The basketball season will open Thursday, January 19. Four teams will then be organized, one from the junior class, one from the sophomores, and two from the freshmen.

Basketball is one of the forms of athletics in which points for the coveted letter "F" can be secured. Swimming and track also yield these points.

The Psychology of Numbers

Contrary to the superstition of ill luck whispered about thirteen, that number proved lucky for Bernice Emken of the freshman class, when she won the five-dollar gold piece raffled by the senior class. The thirteen dollars which the seniors realized on the raffle will be added to their school gift fund.

Give a Thought to Music

Mr. Mentor Crosse will hold the regular mid-winter examinations on Monday, January 23, in the assembly room of the Fine Arts Building. Mr. Crosse, a resident of Minneapolis, Minn., is a distinguished composer and director of the musical departments conducted by the Sisters of St. Joseph in the middle west.

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Good Music

Instructors

Prominent Speakers on New Semester Schedule

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ment of the School of Sodality Leadership during the past year, to be given the latter part of January.

Madame E. Guerin, originator and promoter of the National Flanders Field Poppy Day, and her daughter, a diplomée of Sorbonne, who will give a French impersonation, with period costumes and slides, on Joan of Arc, during the second week of February.

Sister Mary Irene, president of the college, who will address the students Feb. 2.

Mr. Frederick Kinsman, well-known lecturer and author of "Salve Mater," a story of his conversion, who will speak to the student body, during the second week of March.

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Mother and Dad Have Date for Card Party

Fontbonne Fathers' Club will be hosts at a card party given in honor of the mothers on Thursday, January 19, at 8 p. m. The entertainment will consist of bridge and novelty games with prizes.

A printed booklet containing the constitution, by-laws and a list of the members has been donated by Mr. A. B. Dewes, an enthusiastic member of the Fathers' Club. A copy will be mailed to each member.

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Academy Gymnasts To Appear Soon in Feature Exhibition

The Hellenic cadets of ancient Greece could not surpass the athletes of the academy who are preparing for a public gymnastic exhibition to be held during the next quarter of the new semester under the direction of Miss Marie Hanss, physical training instructor. Only students with a grade of ninety per cent in scholarship and conduct will be eligible to take part in these activities, and so academicians are collecting points in order that they may enjoy the Olympic training of ancient Athens.

Semester Opens January 30

With the beginning of the new year, the date set for the examinations, January 24, is of paramount interest to all academy students, especially those who do not have a monthly average of ninety per cent. The new semester will commence the following Monday, January 30.

Organizations to Meet

All religious activities of the student body will continue according to schedule which includes the meetings of the following organizations: League of the Sacred Heart, February 3; Sodality of the Blessed Virgin, February 17; Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, February 24. A special meeting of sodality officers will be called Thursday, January 19, at 3:15 p. m.

College Freshmen Hear Library Science Talks

Miss Catherine M. Jones, librarian of Fontbonne, gave two lectures in library science on Monday and Wednesday of this week to assist the students of Freshman English in preparing their first term paper.

The work included an explanation of the Dewey decimal classification and of the character of the standard reference books with problems in their use.

Spring Will Find College in Silvan Surroundings

Spring should come early to Fontbonne and make an extended stay, for all due preparations have been made for its arrival. During the holiday season the project of landscaping the campus has made tremendous strides. Shrubbery, topped by rose bushes, has been planted along the north terrace. On either side of the walk from the dining hall to the athletic field, cedars, lilacs, and syringas have been set out. The walk from Science Hall to Big Bend boulevard is lined with cedars, while a barberry hedge and a six-foot row of elms grow along Big Bend. Along the east driveway, tall maples, sycamores, and box elders already stretch their bare arms heavenward, and he who stirs his imagination may clothe them in spring's grandeur.

Sodalists Seek Funds

A benefit raffle of four varicolored shoulder flowers is being conducted by the members of the college sodality to defray the expense of the medals used at all sodality functions. The chances are selling at five cents each or three for ten cents and the lucky winners will be decided upon Friday, January 20. The members of the committee in charge are: Margaret Woods, chairman; Lucille Eckhard, and Virginia Gates.

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