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TWO FORMER STUDENTS BECOME VISITANDINES

Bernice Collum, Sophomore Last Year, Now Sister Bernadette.

Two Fontbonne students figured in the solemn ceremonies of reception and profession at Visitation Convent, Cabanne and Belt avenues, at 3 p. m. Thursday, March 8, when Bernice Collum, of last year's sophomore class, was admitted to the novitiate as Sister Mary Bernadette, and Helen Bowe, a member of the junior class in 1926, who is known in religion as Sister Mary Helen, pronounced her vows.

Rev. J. J. McGlynn officiated at the ceremony. Father McGlynn, in charge of St. Rose's Church, baptized Bernice Collum and has been her pastor ever since. Several representatives of the Fontbonne faculty and student body were present.

Both young religious had spent some years as students of the Visitandines.

Newspaperman to Talk

Mr. Tom Taggart, an assistant editor of The Globe-Democrat, will address the Press Club Thursday at 11.

At a meeting of the club Monday, March 12, four new members were admitted. They are Agnes Reilly, '29, and Grace Carroll, Mary Fleming, and Gertrude Kelly, '31.

Musicians Invited Out

The Fontbonne glee club and string orchestra will give several numbers Wednesday evening, April 11, at a program for the benefit of the Catholic Instruction League in the St. Louis University auditorium. The feature of the evening is to be an illustrated lecture by Rev. T. J. Schulte, S. J., on St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Will Conduct Exercises For College Retreatants



Rev. John J. Gunn, C. S. S. R.

The opening exercises of the annual retreat will be held Palm Sunday, April 1, at 10 a. m. Father Gunn will arrive in St. Louis that morning from his parish, that of Our Lady of Perpetual Succor, in Kansas City.

A limited number of reservations for boarding accommodations during the retreat are available, and in the disposal of these upperclass students are being given the first choice.

Sodality Union Plans For Ascension Day

Helen Purcell, senior at Fontbonne, is one of a committee of three appointed by the St. Louis Sodality Union to take charge of a religious celebration planned by the Union for either Ascension Thursday, May 17, or Pentecost Sunday, May 27. The other members of the committee are: Rev. Bakewell Morrison, S. J., and Delbert Morrissey.

Plans for this event were discussed at the quarterly meeting of the Union held Sunday, March 11, at St. Louis University.

FONTBONNE TO RECEIVE JUBILARIANS THURSDAY

Superiors of Congregation to Meet Students After High Mass.

Thursday, March 22, has been set for the reception which Fontbonne will tender the two general superiors of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Reverend Mother Agnes and Mother Assistant Columbine, to congratulate them on the fiftieth anniversary of their religious profession. The students will assemble for solemn Mass celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. M. S. Ryan, C. M., D. D., of Kenrick Seminary, at which Rev. A. M. Schmitalla, S. J., dean of the School of Medicine, St. Louis University, will deliver the sermon. Rev. F. J. O'Connor, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, will officiate at Benediction.

A choir of students will sing the new polyphonic Mass in honor of St. Peter Canisius, composed by Rev. Herbert Gruender, S. J., of St. Louis University.

Immediately after Mass the students will be presented to the jubilarians in the parlors of Ryan Hall. During this reception the Fontbonne orchestra will play, and at its close the Glee Club will sing.

Reverend Mother and Mother Assistant have been in great part responsible for the planning and building of Fontbonne, and have been for half a century directly interested in St. Joseph's Academy.

At North Central Sessions

Mother Irene, president of Fontbonne, and Sister Lucida, dean, went Tuesday to Chicago to attend the convention of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools being held at Hotel Sherman, March 14, 15, and 16. They will return Saturday evening.

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matter is pending.

CALLING NAMES

With basketball occupying the center of interest, the question arises: "Shall the college team go unnamed?" Surely there is some name that can be found to designate the Fontbonne College basketball team. We have colleges to the right of us and colleges to the left of us that offer the nicknames of their teams as examples. Concordia has its Preachers; Washington U. its Bears; St. Louis U. its Billikens. Farther away we have the Irish of Notre Dame; the Tigers of Missouri U.; the Jayhawkers of Kansas.

The field of possible names is unlimited and surely some student will hit upon the inevitable one. Just to start the ball arollin' we are going to suggest one. The college publication has taken the "Font" out of "Fontbonne"; if we look to "Fontbonne" for inspiration, all that remains would be to dub the team the "Bonnets."

FOR THE MOVIE FANS

In a recent edition of a popular magazine there appears an interesting and unusual interview of a well-known screen star. The admiring fan, who accepts as true everything her favorite says, should by all means read this article for she can with great profit follow the fine example this actor unknowingly sets before her. Let him tell you in his own words what he does when the little

details of life seem to become mountains:

"I go to a monastery near San Francisco, for what we call a 'retreat.' I see no one from outside. I do not read the newspapers. Every day I listen to short talks, or lectures, from one of the brothers. Talks about life and death; the shortness of life; the inevitableness of death; the right way to live and to prepare to die."

And in telling of the value he finds in this practice of making a retreat he says: "It helps me to recover my sense of proportion, to realize the pettiness of the little things that have troubled me. It is a sort of spiritual house-cleaning."

COMPLAINT COLUMN A NEED

Editor The Font:

Belonging to that half of the class of '27 that left Fontbonne without dabbling in journalism, I am in no position to criticize even when my editorial friends descend so far from college level as to jump at conclusions and publish mere rumor. I merely want to raise my voice to say that the alumnae may be more embarrassed than the freshmen were. At least the freshmen party materialized! Yours for a bigger and better "Campus Clamor" or general complaint department.

M. L. M., A. B.

Father Schwitalla Lauds
Work of Health Bureau

"If Christ were on earth today He would attend, after His care for souls, to just such work as is being carried on by the Health Bureau of the parochial schools," declared Rev. A. M. Schwitalla, S. J., Ph. D., before the Fontbonne Mothers' Club in the college auditorium Friday afternoon, March 9.

As a result of Father's impressive speech the Mothers' Club voted financial assistance to the National Council of Catholic Women, which is responsible for the support of a great part of the health work for the parochial schools.

The important business of the meeting which preceded the lecture was concerned with arrangements for a luncheon and card party to be given in honor of the academy and college seniors. Mrs. J. Gunn is chairman of the committee for the college function; Mrs. John E. Reilly, chairman of academy committee.

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THE IDES OF MARCH APPROACH

March 1—Students in wheel chairs and otherwise incapacitated begin to recuperate after monthly TESTS.

March 2—"What if he dies the night before the wedding?" inquires Naomi Droll in ethics class. FAX would give as its answer that he was certainly very ungrateful.

March 3—Students watch Cecil stagger home under the weight of "reserve" education books.

March 4—In attending the Novena of Grace, Abie buys for one nickel a copy of exercises, and later on copies are given away.

March 5—Another junior breaks forth in vehement class praise.

March 6—"There ain't no justice"; Mary Kiely wins an argument from "Ibbie" in History of Education.

March 7—With all due apologies, it is noticed that the newswriting room was straightened.

March 8—Sister Berenice was early for class.

March 9—Father Bellock: "What are the Messianic prophecies, Miss Joyce?" Doty: "Messy what, Father?"

March 10—George and Rose discover just how many square feet are contained in one small campus.

March 11—A weeping freshman gives as the reason for her sorrow the fact that she has nothing to study.

March 12—Loretto Hennelly would like to know if there are any colored branches of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

March 13—On inquiring if the organ in the chapel had been fixed, Mary Cecilia was informed that Agnes was absent from choir practice that morning.

March 14—Beware the Ides of March.

March 15—And so the Font came out—only it didn't!

ANN THE APPLE GIRL

Dear Ann:

There you go again, getting high notions about barn dances and queens and such doings. I never heard tell of queens outside of fairy stories or newspapers or the movie kind. And you never told me about the king.

Now Ann, have I always to be telling you to come down from a pedestal? I can't afford none, and a wreath for a crown for you while you're still living? Oh my! Guess it's just like the man who plays checkers down to the store at the Corners says about times being changing. Before you went away you were as contented as... well you sure were contented. You could talk about chickens and crops and me—and now all you can talk about is—if I was a queen on a throne so high, I would sit on it and look at the blue, blue sky—didn't know I was a sky high poetry-maker, Ann, did you?

I'll tell you a secret, Ann. Some day I'm goin' to write you lots of poetry so the next time you come I'll recite it to you like they do in books, when the moon is sheddin' gold and silver light. Ann, this letter is from

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Upperclass Champions To Play Sophs Friday

Two more hard fought games were played on Friday, March 9, between Freshmen A and Sophomore team, ending with a score of 41-12 in favor of the Freshmen, and between Freshmen B and the Senior college teams, score 28-18 in favor of the Senior college.

The Senior college team, which includes last year's champions, has won the last two out of three games, and tied the first. The tie will be played off next Friday afternoon, March 16, at 3 p. m., between the Sophomores and the Senior college team. After this game, one team will be chosen to represent the freshman class in the inter-class tournament which will begin soon.

Fontbonne Frock Pictured in "Modes and Manners"

The Fontbonne frock, which has added individuality and charm to college students, has carried its distinction beyond the campus. Three students were selected to be photographed for illustrations of the various colored frocks which will appear in the April issue of "Modes and Manners," a quarterly fashion magazine published by the store which supplies the uniforms.

The students who sat for the pictures are Mildred Bishoff, who wears a blue frock; Mary Cecilia Robinson, who wears brown, and Grace Viaviano, who wears maroon.

Fathers Club Will Have Tennis Courts Ready Soon

The tennis courts will be ready in another month, according to word received from the Fathers' Club which has undertaken to provide the courts with hard clay surfaces.

At the next meeting of the club, to be held this evening at Fontbonne, other matters connected with Fontbonne athletics will be discussed, among them the basketball championship series.

Seek Latest in Cafeterias

The president of Webster College, Mother Linus of the Sisters of Loretto, and Sister Juline were visitors at the College Saturday of last week. They came to inspect Fontbonne cafeteria, with a view to adopting some of its convenient features for the lunch room on the ground floor of the new building now being erected on the Webster campus.

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Marie C. Galvin Chosen Editor of S. J. A. Studenta

Marie C. Galvin is editor-in-chief of the S. J. A. Studenta, the annual academy publication, on which work was commenced last week. Others members of the staff are: assistant editors, Roma Fisher, Margaret Rice, Rosamond Bennett, Ruth Joyce; business manager, Eleanor Riley.

Seniors Select Class Play

"The Making of Miss Graduate," by Daniel A. Lord, S. J., will be presented by the senior class of the academy the third week of April.

Basketball Tournament Soon

Preliminary basketball interclass tournament games will begin Tuesday, March 20. Because of the absence of a senior team, the freshmen, who have responded in large numbers, will have two teams, led by Aves Seigel and Teresa Burmeister, and these teams will play off the first game. The sophomores and the juniors will be the second game.

The "Star Fish Club" Formed

A swimming club of S. J. A. students was organized March 8, calling itself the Star Fish Club. The entrance requirements are as follows: the 75-yd. crawl, 75-yd. breaststroke, 75-yd. sidestroke, and a plain front and surface dive. The student passing this test will reign as queen for one month, wearing a star—the emblem of her position. The queen of the last test will be announced at the Thursday afternoon meeting at 3:15. The dues of the club are 10 cents a month, and the meetings are held every second Thursday in the Fontbonne swimming pool.

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College Catechists Open New Center at Glendale

A new center of the Catholic Instruction League has been opened in the parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Glendale, Mo., near Webster Groves, by the Apostolic Committee of the Fontbonne Sodality. Three classes are under the instruction of Catharine Gunn, Agnes Ibbetson and Catherine Dever.

S. J. A. A. to Meet Sunday

The regular meeting of St. Joseph's Alumnae at Fontbonne next Sunday, March 18, will complete arrangements for the reception to be held at St. Joseph's, Carondelet, Wednesday, March 21, at 4 p. m., at which the alumnae will meet the two superiors of the congregation, Reverend Mother Agnes and Mother Columbine, to congratulate them on their golden jubilee.

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