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Proposed Change In Senior Exams

At the November faculty meeting the Committee on Educational Policy presented a recommendation involving senior comprehensives. The faculty agreed to study present policy regarding comprehensives to determine how they could better meet the objectives of these examinations—namely, to get at proper relationships of all areas in a given field, to relate that field to the objective of a liberal arts education, and to come to grips with a principle of unity in knowledge.

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Freshman Wins Swim Meet

Rosalind Calcaterra, a freshman elementary education major, captured first place in the senior division of the Women's Ozark synchronized all-round robin swim meet held at the downtown YMCA Saturday, December 7, scoring 240 points.

Rosalind, the proud possessor of many trophies and medals, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Calcaterra of St. Louis. Rosalind represented Shaw Park in the swimming meet.

M. Quigley In Recital

Margaret Mary Quigley presented her senior repertoire on Sunday, December 15, 1957 in the Fontbonne College Auditorium. Miss Carmelita Schmelig was the repertoire director.

"A time of Beauty" was the title of Margaret's oral interpretation program. It was divided into three parts: I. So Full of Beauty, II. A Season for Children, and III. Christ in Christmas.

In Part I, to carry out the theme Margaret included *The Snow Storm*, by Ralph Waldo Emerson; from *Love's Labour Lost*; *On Skating* by Cornelia Otis Skinner; *Ring Out Wild Bells*, by Alfred Lord Tennyson; *Mrs. Mike*, by Benedict and Nancy Freedman; *An Old Man's Winter Night*, by Robert Frost; and *Stopping By the Woods on a Snowy Night*, by Frost.

"A Season for Children," Part II, consisted of interpretations of *The Christmas Thief*, Anonymous; *The Littlest Angel*, by Charles Tazewell; *Is There a Santa Claus*, by Francis Church; *Eloise At Christmastime*, by Kay Thompson; *Christmas Carol*, by Walt Disney; and *A Visit from Saint Nicholas*, by Clement C. Moore.

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Lighting the Traditional Advent Wreath in front of St. Joseph's Chapel, Ryan Hall, are Julie Obrecht, Rita Woesthaus, Barbara Torrence, Elizabeth Rose Saunders.

The Advent wreath symbolizes the four weeks of the season in preparation for the Birth of Christ. The four candles divide the circle into four arcs, symbolizing the four eras during which the world waited for the coming of Christ. The lighted candle is symbolic of Christ, who came to enlighten the world.

Following are the prayers said: The Sign of the Cross.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who hath made heaven and earth.

Leader: Let us pray

All: O God, by whose word all things are sanctified, pour forth

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Three Seniors Look at their Fontbonne Key Presented at Today's Ceremony in St. Joseph's Chapel. Left to Right: Effrosini Galakatos, Roberta Elliott, Madonna Preiss.

December 29 Is Day of Prayer For Persecuted

The Bishops of the United States have called for Sunday, Dec. 29, to be made a day of prayer for persecuted peoples.

Reminding that "in the arsenal of Christianity, in reach of all men of good will," there is "the invincible weapon of prayer," the Bishops in a public declaration state, "It is unthinkable that we should in our day neglect to petition the Infinite Creator and Ruler of the universe in behalf of these modern martyrs."

The statement also notes that it was little more than a year ago "that the agonized cry of the Hungarian people broke through the silence that enveloped them and millions of others who are suffering the most frightful persecution in history."

Rev. R. E. Carson Is Retreat Master

The annual three day retreat given at Fontbonne college will be given January 27, 28, and 29. The retreat master will be Rev. Robert E. Carson, O. Praem, who teaches at Our Lady of Premonstratense High School, Green Bay, Wisconsin. Conferences and periods of silence will take the place of the regular classes during these three days in order to give the students an opportunity to renew their spiritual resolutions. All full time students are required to attend this retreat.

Yearbook Goes To Printer

Fontbonne, the college yearbook, went to press December 15 according to Barbara Volk, editor. The theme and method of presenting the division pages of this year's annual is being kept a secret. The book will be ready for distribution in May.

The 1957 Fontbonne was dedicated to Christ and His Blessed Mother in six events of their lives on earth and in Heaven.

Besides Barbara, who is editor, the staff is composed of the following: Kathleen McLaughlin, associate editor; Paula Diviney, art editor; Martha Re, Afra Jean Leavitt, Dolores Hritz, Carolyn Lembeck, Barbara Rubinelli, editorial writers. Eugenia Freile, Gina Borelli, Jo Ann Reed. Cathleen Power, Arlene Brockelman are on the staff. Sister Margaret John is adviser.

Council Plans January Mixer

"New Faces", the annual January mixer sponsored by NFCCS under the auspices of the Student Government Association will be held Friday night, January 24, 1958 in the Medaille Hall ballroom. Music will be provided by an orchestra, and admission will be seventy-five cents.

Co-chairmen for the dance are Mary Ann Vatterott and Carroll Cunningham. All the students of Fontbonne are invited to attend.

Packing the Last Basket to be distributed to the Poor for Christmas are: Standing, Elizabeth McDermott, Home Ec Chairman; Leslie Conway, "Font" and Virginia Wegener, Sodality of Our Lady. Kneeling: Virginia Pierce, Sodality; Katherine Wolff, "Fontbonne."



Students Skate On New Ice Rink in Forest Park

Eighteen students from Fontbonne, decided to try their skill at an old time favorite winter sport, Ice Skating over at the Mark C. Steinberg Memorial Skating Rink in Forest Park last Friday.

This was the busiest day, because 4,742 skaters were at the rink. Four hundred persons were turned away.

Carolyn Murray, Karol Karst, Cecilia Gill, and Madeline Stallings made up a group of four, with Ann Brookover, Mary Young, Margarita Fennell, and Margary O'Rourke, Margaret Grames, Leslie Conway, Diane Doersch, Cathleen Power, Joan Fagan, Jacqueline Devine, Aurora Viglino, Camille Viglino, Kay Kerwin, and Ann Maher. The girls left the College for a day of fun—dressed in everything from warm slacks and ski sweaters, to long socks and bermudas. At first some of the girls didn't do as well as they had expected. Many tumbles were had by all, until the manager of the rink came over to them and asked, (jokingly) to try not to fall so often; they were soaking up all the water that had accumulated. Others who were among the eighteen girls picked up the technique to ice skating very quickly. One important essential necessary for a good skater is to have strong ankles, which the girls did have.

After the girls completed their days workout on the rink, their next stop was the Parkmoor for hamburgers and hot chocolate in which Karol Karst was stuck paying the bill. Cecilia Gill our girl from South Orange, New Jersey, remarked to the girls who were with her, she didn't think boys should be car hops; that was a girl's job.

Says 'Study Of History' Is Christian

Arnold J. Toynbee's "A Study of History" is a religious work, "the first Christian philosophy of history since Bossuet," students of Fontbonne were told at their weekly Wednesday seminar.

Thomas P. Neill, St. Louis University professor of history and visiting professor of history at Fontbonne, said Toynbee wrote a "theological epic, describing the creative work of God on earth and man's creative quest for Him in time. It is permeated by a driving hunger to find and to justify the Providence of God in history."

He added that it is a Christian work, in that it returns to Christian beliefs in refutation of the various mechanistic and deterministic statements on the meaning of history, but it is "a peculiar and unorthodox Christianity that Toynbee professes."

Although Toynbee does not approve of the Catholic Church's claim to be the only true Church, Dr. Neill said that Toynbee treated the Church "understandingly and respectfully."

"A Christian philosopher of history can agree with much of Toynbee's inquiry. However, he must part company with Toynbee on his theological relativism and his resultant hope for the future. Toynbee is not convincing when he tries to exercise Christian optimism."

"Recent developments point in the direction of a unity of civilizations that seems in keeping with God's plan, insofar as we can comprehend it. And the universal religion of that civilization can well be the true religion."

The girls returned to Fontbonne, tired out from a full day of excitement. Ann Brookover was so excited about the whole day, that she left her shoes in the taxi cab. If anyone finds a pair of shoes in a cab, they probably belong to Ann.

The biggest crowds, larger than anticipated, have caused problems. For instance, there aren't enough skates to satisfy the rental demand. And some days skaters had to be turned away because crowds were too large.

A hundred more pairs of skates have been ordered by the operator of the rental concession. This is in addition to the 600 pairs already on hand.

Adult patrons must use a 50-cent piece to get through the entrance turnstile. The turnstile won't take coins in other denominations.

Theresa Kanayama Represents College

Theresa Kanayama, Fontbonne freshman from Tokyo, Japan, represented both Fontbonne and her native country at the International Day held at Washington University, Sunday, December 6, from 2 to 5 p.m. The event was held under the auspices of the St. Louis Red Cross chapter.

Six local colleges and universities, Harris Teachers College, Maryville, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis University, Washington University, and Fontbonne had foreign representatives, each of whom participated in a panel discussion on sport.

The Fontbonne delegate spoke about Sumo, a form of wrestling engaged in by many Japanese men.

A Scene from the Last Act of "The Cradle Song", presented last Sunday by the Footlights Workshop. The Sisters are: Agnes Hromadka, Eugenia Freile, Joan Wavering, and Anthea Czerwinski. Kolar is the orphan adopted by the Sisters: Donald Mahlandt, is her fiancee.



To New York Convention

Sister Dolorita Marie, C.S.J., director of the history department, will attend the meetings of the American Historical Association and of the American Catholic Historical Association, which will be held in New York on December 28, 29, and 30. She will go to the meetings with Sister Dorothy Jane, S.L., of Webster College.

Footlights Club Gives Three Plays

Three student directed one act plays were presented under the sponsorship of the Footlights Club on Sunday, December 8. The plays, representative of Chinese, Russian, and Spanish playwrights, presented were: "The Romance of the Willow Pattern Plate," a Chinese tragedy by Ethel Van Der Veer; it was directed by Margaret Quigley. The members of the cast were Rita Woehaus, Mary Lou Hobold, Elaine Meyer, Katherine Wagner, Mary Beth Maloney, Nancy Longwell, Anthea Czerwinski, Mary Jane Tedford.

The second play directed by Angeline Marino, was Anton Chekov's "The Boor." The cast members of this Russian comedy were: Susan Lamson, Robert Winkler, and Katherine Wagner.

Gabriel Martinez Sierra's "The Cradle Song" was directed by Jacqueline Beulick. The members of the cast for this play were: Eugenia Freile, Kaye Koller, Agnes Hromadka, Jackie Chellis, Joan Wavering, Mary Lou Hobold, Carol Engelhardt, Carol Burt, Anthea Czerwinski, Elizabeth Messmer, Collette Topolse, Katherine Weighner, Donald Mahlandt, and David Dames.

The faculty adviser was Miss Carmelita Schmellig, and the stage manager was Mary Jane Tedford.



Decorating the Christmas Tree for the All-School Party to be given by the Sisters for the Students and Lay Faculty tomorrow evening in Medaille Ballroom. Carol Cunningham, Mary Ann Vatterott, Jane Coffey.

Delta Phi Has High Schools Xmas Sale Visit Campus

The Art Club, Delta Phi, held its December meeting on Monday, December 2. The officers of the Club prepared a Christmas party for the members; the program for the day was the making of Christmas cards in the linoleum (Continued on Page 3, Col. 2)

Senior Exams

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It was decided that in March each department will experiment with comprehensives. The instructors are free to add another three hour written examination, to add a half hour oral examination or to construct the examination differently. From the study and reports made of these experiments a new policy regarding comprehensives will be formulated for 1959.

Advent Wreath

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Thy blessings upon this wreath and grant that we who use it may prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ, and may receive from Thee abundant graces. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sprinkle the wreath with holy water.

FIRST WEEK

All: O Lord, stir up Thy might, we beg Thee, and come, that by Thy protection we may deserve to be rescued from the threatening dangers of our sins and saved by Thy deliverance. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. One candle is lighted.

"O Come, Emmanuel".

SECOND WEEK

All: O Lord, stir up our hearts that we may prepare for Thy only begotten Son, that through His coming we may be made worthy to serve Thee with pure minds. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Two candles are lighted.

"O Come . . ."

THIRD WEEK

All: O Lord, we beg Thee, incline Thy ear to our prayers and enlighten the darkness of our minds by the grace of Thy visitation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Three candles are lighted.

"O Come . . ."

FOURTH WEEK

All: O Lord, stir up Thy power, we pray Thee, and come, and with great might help us, that with the help of Thy grace, Thy merciful forgiveness may hasten what our sins impede. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Four candles are lighted.

"O Come . . ."

Yearbook Art Staff Putting the Finishing Touches to the "Fontbonne", which went to the printer this morning. Left to right: Cathleen Power, Eugenia Freile, Art Editor Paula Divinye, and Jo Ann Reed. Missing are Gina Borelli and Arlene Brockelman.



Faculty Gives Annual Party

On Tuesday December 17, the lay faculty and students of Fontbonne will be the guests of the Sisters of St. Joseph at their annual Christmas party, to be held from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. in Medaille Hall.

The individual classes are planning to give short presentations. The junior class will stage a portrayal of the Nativity scene while a production of "Why the Bells Chime" will be presented by the sophomores. The freshmen class will strive to instill in the audience an appreciation of the spirit and customs of Spanish speaking countries. Refreshments, card-playing and singing will follow.

Home Ec Completes Christmas Plans

The Home Ec Club held its December meeting on Monday, December 9. On the agenda at this meeting was a discussion on plans for Club Day. Sue Gunman is the chairman for the Home Ec Club's display.

The layettes for poor families were finished, and Christmas cards were addressed to last year's Home Economics graduates.

Donna Weber, president of the Home Ec Club, took pictures at the meeting.

Christmas Vacation

Christmas vacation begins after the last class on Wednesday, December 18, for all Fontbonne Students, and will be resumed January 7, 1958, Tuesday. The Resident Students of Medaille Hall are making big preparations. Last minute papers are beginning to take shape. Everyone will be leaving, including all the foreign students.

There will be triple cuts given out to all who have taken unexcused absences immediately before and after this vacation.

UN Collegiate Field Secretary Speaks To Group

Miss Constance Curry, field secretary of the Collegiate Council for the United Nations, spoke to a group of college students at Fontbonne College, December 14, from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Representatives from Eden Seminary, Harris Teachers College, Lindenwood College, Maryville College, Monticello College, Principia College, St. Louis University, Washington University, and Webster College attended this meeting.

Miss Curry, as field secretary for the CCUN, has traveled extensively in the United States speaking to groups and individuals about the activities of the CCUN and also helping them organize United Nations programs on their college campus.

Students Fete Soldiers At Scott Base

Under the auspices of the American Red Cross, Fontbonne girls generously give of their time each second Thursday of the month to visit with patients in the orthopedic ward of Scott Air Force Base Hospital. During their last visit, on Thursday, December 12, the annual Christmas party was held.

Chairman for the project, Mary Ann Lohmann, reports that the activities planned for the party were very successful. Members prepared about fifty inexpensive prizes to be distributed to the patients. Two of the most popular games played consisted of rolling dice for the lucky number and identifying familiar Christmas objects on a tray. The party closed with the singing of traditional Yuletide carols.

As a member of the Red Cross Chapter, each Fontbonne student is cordially invited to attend the monthly visits at the Air Base.

Donor Day Makes Quota

Red Cross Activities Group salutes Joy Blassie, chairman of the group and director of the recent Red Cross Blood Donor Day. The drive, held on November 19, was a huge success, making its quota of fifty pints.

Joy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas M. Blassie of House Springs, Missouri, has participated in Red Cross activities for ten years. During high school, she was a representative for three years; at Fontbonne she has held the position of secretary and of vice-chairman of the Red Cross Activities group.

Joy was assisted in the drive by Jeanine Cowell, co-chairman, and by Dolores Froelich, chairman of the Red Cross Activities group here on campus. Others who assisted were Jacqueline Post, Carol Karst, Ann Heidgen, and Kathleen Dougherty.

There were fifty-seven volunteers. Of these, forty-two students, six sisters, and two lay faculty members were accepted as volunteers.

The following faculty members and students were blood donors: Sister Agnes Joseph, Sister Dorothea Marie, Sister Margaret Ann, Mrs. Rosemary Pollmann, Miss Rosemarie Archangel, Sister Mary Daniel, Sister Robert William, and Sister Dolores Marie.

Mary Fitz, Mary Ann Norman, Afra Jean Leavitt, Loretta Giblin, Stephanie Kane, Kathy Dougherty, Jeanine Cowell, Barbara Curry, Virginia Wegener, and Mary Young.

Sue Oehmen, Carolyn Lembeck, Barbara Tiefenbrunn, Adrienne Musial, Betty Messmer, Jane Welches, Carolyn Robbins, Ann Maher, Ann Guhman, Janet Schafnit.

Cecilia Gill, Antoinette Cook, Paula Divinye, Beverly Dimig, Ruthie Strobl, Marty Mayne, Rosemarie Coleman, Julia Ryan, Rosemarie Girard, Hilda Bartle, Barbara Alberici, Mary Kay Blauener, Judy Bader, Virginia Burke, Arlene Toeben, Claire Saenger, Judy Starck, Elaine Stewart, Marilyn Trapp, Veronica Joy Blassie, Kate Daly, Carol Burt, Mary Lochiro, Margie Koehr.

The following girls volunteered to give blood but were rejected because of previous illness: Mary Ann Lohmann, Regina Carroll, Joyce Tobin, Jo Ann Green and Noreen Lynch.

Poems From Five Students Appear In Book

The poems of five Fontbonne students have been selected and accepted for publication in the *Annual Anthology of College Poetry*.

Those whose poems will appear in the anthology are: Katherine Wagner—"The Winged Soul"; Margaret Marik—"Life"; Kathleen Gentile—"The Circus Has Come To Town"; Madelyn Forman—"Clock At Midnight"; and Dolores Hritz—"Brief Dream."

The *Annual Anthology of College Poetry* is a compilation of the finest poetry written by college students of the United States. The above selection were made from thousands of poems submitted.

Volleyball Is In Full Swing

The F. A. A. volleyball intramurals are in full swing. So far there has been a fine spirit of participation from all participants and spectators. The results of the games played thus far are: Freshman I defeated Sophomore I. Sophomore II defeated Freshman II.

Seniors defeated Juniors. Sophomore I defeated Freshman III. Sophomore II defeated Juniors. Sophomore I defeated Freshman II.

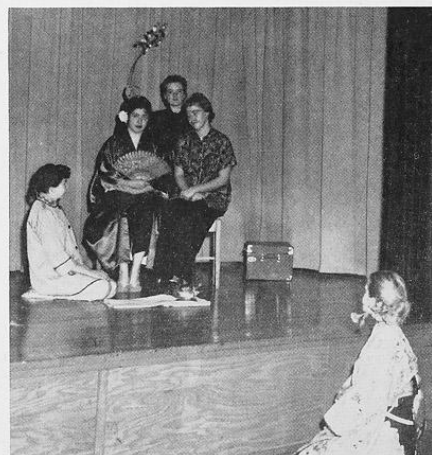
The Fontbonne Athletic Association sponsored an ice skating party at the new Mark C. Steinberg Memorial Rink on December 6. Many girls attended and helped celebrate St. Nicholas Day in a gay winter style.

An after-school sports program is now in progress on Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Various sports are being played, and everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

French Club Meets

In keeping with the true Advent spirit, the French Club has postponed its Christmas program until the January meeting which will be within the octave of Little Christmas. Everyone is invited to attend this program, the exact time and place to be posted later. The French Club wishes a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the faculty and student body.

Footlights Club Oriental Meeting Entertaining in "The Stolen Prince," a Chinese Fantasy, are left to right: Katherine Weighner, Eugenia Freile Jacqueline Chellis. In the back is Ruth Hamilton. In the front is Anthea Czerwinski.



Regional Meet Dec. 20-21

The Society of Catholic College Teachers of Sacred Doctrine will hold their fourth Regional Meeting at Fontbonne College on Friday and Saturday, December 20 and 21.

Twenty-eight groups are represented in the region, including colleges and seminaries in Nebraska, Missouri, Colorado and Kansas. The regional board consists of: Rev. Leo A. Coressel, S.J., St. Louis University, Chairman; Sister Ann Virginia Kane, C.S.J., Fontbonne College, secretary; Rev. James Lyons, College of St. Teresa; Sister Timothy Ryan, S.S.N.D., Notre Dame College; and Mother Louise L. Keyes, R.S.C.J., Maryville College.

Rev. Walter J. Galus, C. R., S.T.D., lecturer in theology at Fontbonne, will give the opening talk on the subject: "The Theological Position of the Catholic Layman in the Church."

On Saturday Rev. John A. Hardon, S.J., S.T.D., of West Baden College, West Baden, Indiana, will speak on "A Doctrinal Evaluation of Present-Day American Protestantism."

Recital

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Margaret presented for Part III, "Christ in Christmas", the following: *The Rod of Jesse from the Bible*; *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*, a twelfth century hymn; *The Starlight Night*, by Gerard Manley Hopkins; *Christmas in Our Lord*, a compilation adapted from Richard Cleary, O.S.B. and Allen Bowman; *Christmas in the Home*, by Maria Augusta Trapp; *A Christmas Song*, by Teresa Brayton; *The Shoemaker's Dream*, Edwin Markham's adaptation from Leo Tolstoy; *Christmas Eve*, by Bonnie May Malody; and the Gospel according to Saint Luke.

Margaret, a graduate of St. Joseph's Academy, has a major in speech. She plans to combine her speech work with her dietetics work after graduation, possibly over TV or radio. Among the productions she acted in were *Royal Family*, *As You Like It*, and *Red Shoes*. She directed a one-act play, *The Romance of the Willow Pattern*, presented on December 8, and she has worked behind the scenes on various production crews.

for the new year

New Years Eve! The biggest party night of the year. Festivities will rage from dusk till dawn. The old year will be sung out, the new year welcomed in. Streamers will fly, hats will tip, balloons will pop. And on the First, sleepy people all over will be saying . . . "Now this year, this year I'll really stick to that diet, this year I'll really stop smoking, this year . . ." and so on down the line. Resolutions, they are more commonly called. We all make them, usually renewing them from the year before and for the most part soon break them again.

But how about something new this year, something on the positive side. How about resolving for the year of '58 to read the newspapers, the front page before the society section, the whole column instead of just the headlines, the magazines *America*, *Commonweal*, and *Newsweek* instead of *Vogue* once in a while, to listen to the news occasionally instead of rock and roll. In other words, "Get in the know."

Everyone has heard at least once that this is a crucial period politically; now it is scientifically crucial in a race to conquer outer space. Ignorance at this time is no longer bliss; it is blundering. The course of the future is being shaped. Sputnik didn't veer around St. Louis, nor is the Middle East so far away anymore.

Many of us will soon be of voting age and it is not too soon to watch the activities of both political parties if we want to have an intelligent "say-so" in affairs when the time comes. So when you begin resolving on the First after that fabulous New Year's party, give a little serious thought to this suggestion. The only result will be a beneficial one.

Meaning Given For Cura

CURA—College and University Relief Administration—is the modern outgrowth of the Overseas Service Program which was operated by NFCCS after World War II. Through this program, NF raised millions of dollars and won international acclaim.

At present there are three specific programs of CURA whose purposes are to make possible a sharing by students of their material possessions with less fortunate students and a sharing and serving in the work of the hierarchy. These spheres of activity include a scholarship program to assist in the development of an educated Catholic laity in the so-called mission areas of the United States, a fund raising project which makes possible a direct participation in the work of the lay apostolate, and a Goods-In-Kind program involving the collection of books and clothing which are forwarded through various agencies to Catholic student centers in Europe and Asia. This fall participating schools offered eighty-nine scholarships valued at approximately two hundred thousand dollars.

This year one of the main CURA projects of the Central Midwest Region will be an attempt to stimulate a sincere interest on the part of Catholic American students in the foreign students on their own campuses and especially in the Catholic foreign students on secular college campuses. The need for such activity was pointed out at the Fall Regional Congress when it was brought to the attention of the delegates that many Catholic foreign students are never given the opportunity to visit the homes of their Catholic classmates or to participate fully in the Catholic American way of life. It can be seen that a personal interest by American students in their fellow students from other countries will be both interesting and rewarding.

Extend Yuletide Greetings

May your Advent be a fitting preparation for the joyous celebration of Christmas so that your whole life may be an advent for His daily coming in a deepening of Grace and for His final coming when the purpose of the Incarnation will be fulfilled in your soul. In order that the Divine Economy be realized for each of you, may Mary teach you her humility, her obedience, and her great love of Christ.

Very sincerely yours,
Sister Marie Stephanie

May the Divine Babe of Bethlehem, through His loving Mother, bestow upon you and those dear to you His choicest blessings, and may His love and His grace increase in your souls each day of the coming year. This, my dear students, is my prayer for you this blessed Christmas time.

In our Lady,
Sister Mary Teresine

Delights in Paying A Tribute To A Great Newsman

When we think of foreign correspondents, we immediately see a man in a trench coat with his hat pulled down low over one eye lurking around dark streets in a restricted city of Europe. Now this is all very romantic and exciting, but there exists, to the astonishment of many, still an other type of Correspondent. There is one who travels the continent with the air of assurance.

To cite one of the better writers of our day, I give you Jim Bishop, one of the nation's most read correspondents and columnist. This man is not only of interest to the more intellectual audience, but to everyone in general. College students can spend many enjoyable moments reading Jim Bishop's column, which appears in the daily newspapers.

This man tackles almost any subject available whether it's about his own family, the beautiful cities of the world, or the laughable antics of "man's best friends." If you prefer something on the serious side, Jim Bishop has written two books, *The Day Christ Died* and *The Day Lincoln Was Shot*, which were both best sellers.

To me and to the American public, Jim Bishop is a man who writes from the heart. Whether he writes to inform, instruct, or simply to entertain, his columns are the best. Read them and enjoy yourselves.

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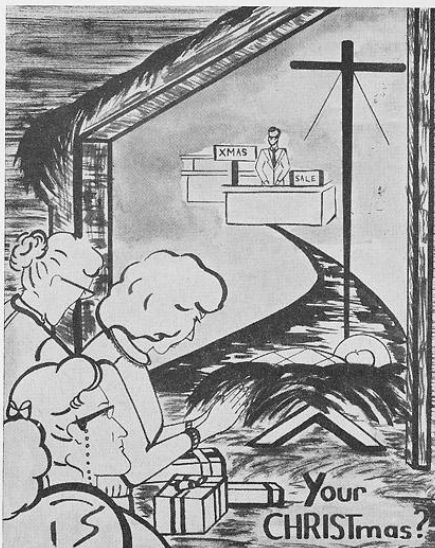
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— Cathleen Power

Books You Will Like

Vatican Journal, by Anne O'Hare McCormick (Farrar, Straus, and Cudahy, \$4), is a journal that recounts the events from 1921-54 at the Vatican. Claire Booth Luce writes the introduction.

Paul Claudel, a study of the Great French writer and diplomat by Wallace Fowlie, will be published soon by Hilary House as one of its Studies of Modern European Literature and Thought Series.

China and the Cross (Kennedy, \$3.95) by Dom Columba Cary-Elwes, O.S.B., is a survey of the missionary history of China. It is presented by the author as the result of about twenty-five years' interest in the subject.

The author begins with an analysis of the legend of St. Thomas the Apostle and his supposed evangelization of China. Then he goes to a detailed study of the Nestorian Christians about thirteen hundred years ago.

The last half of the book explains the mission history of modern times, both Protestant and Catholic. The book ends on a note of hope: "One day the mind of Christ and the mind of China will be one."

A document of world-shaking importance is an analysis of Communism called *The New Class* by Milovan Djilas (Praeger, \$3.95). The essence of communism, so says the author, is power wielded by the political bureaucracy, the new class. In the words of Djilas, "In a totalitarian government of this type, (communism), the dictatorship of the proletariat is a theoretical justification, or ideological mask at best, for the authority of some oligarchs."

Djilas, Tito's former friend and vice-president, is now in prison. The book was sent secretly to France to be printed. It is a complete denunciation of communism as a political, social, and economic system which deprives man of his right to freedom.

Newspaper Conference At MacMurry

Top journalists from St. Louis, Chicago, and Illinois dailies will conduct the Fifth Annual Newspaper Conference at MacMurry College, Feb. 21-22, Jacksonville, Illinois, it was announced today.

Students from high schools and colleges throughout the midwest will attend 10 seminars on the subject of news, feature, sports, and editorial writing, among others. Last year, more than 200 delegates from 50 high schools and colleges participated in the two-day meet.

Among conference leaders this year will be Dean I. W. Cole of the Medill School of Journalism, Northwestern University. Also from the famed journalism school will be Professor Jacob Scher, Chairman of the News-Editorial sequence at Medill. He will be moderator of all high school sessions, which will include instruction in news and features. Returning from the Chicago Sun-Times will be Karin Walsh, City Editor; Robert Kennedy, Chief Editorial Writer; and Ralph Ulrich, Copy Editor.

United Press wire service editors, and the Illinois Press Photographers' Association both will hold their annual meetings at MacMurry in conjunction with the conference. They will cooperate in conducting some of the conference sessions.

Rosalind Calcaterra Tells About Trip to Japanese Meet

Rosalind Calcaterra, Fontbonne freshman, was one of the fortunate girls to be chosen to compete in a swimmers' exhibition last April and won. She, accordingly, went on a good will trip to Tokyo, Japan, which was sponsored by the Amateur Athletic Union and the United States State Department. Rosalind and her partner, Mary Jane Gury, also from St. Louis, won in the senior national synchronized swimming.

On July 20, all the winners met at Oakland, California; took the usual number of shots (12), practiced until they took the plane for Japan. Their first stop was Wake Island, Hawaii; two days later they arrived at the Osaka Military Hotel, Tokyo, where they discovered first of all that driving a car is unusual. One drives on the left side of the street.

A Typical Day

A typical day in the life of Rosalind on this trip to the Orient began like this:

Arose at 7:30, had breakfast in bed (help in Tokyo is very cheap), sent out clothes to the cleaners, received them and the bill, which was 8 cents. Left for the entertainment center, which was generally a two-hour drive, swam for a large audience. They gave three performances a day.

The food consisted, for the most part, surprisingly of pizza, steak, hamburgers, and, on occasion, rice. They had no milk at all because of the lack of refrigeration. Only three times during their entire stay did they have Japanese food. The meal consisted of raw fish, sukiaki, and rice.

Shopping

When Rosalind went shopping, she purchased jade, ivory figurines, pearls, brocades, teak-wood ornaments, and a cashmere coat. Among the many sights she saw were the Emperor's Garden, the Imperial Palaces, the Great Buddha, and the original Teahouse of the August Moon. So much for Tokyo.

On August 15, they left for Korea. Rosalind and her group were the first Americans to swim there. They helped dedicate the second swimming pool in Seoul. Here they lived in a hotel only twenty miles from the firing line. Every morning at exactly 6:00 o'clock, a cannon would go off to let the enemy and the Ameri-

cans know the United States was still prepared to fight. Rosalind said she liked Korea best of all.

Osaka, Japan

After Korea, they returned to Tokyo preparatory to leaving for Osaka, Japan, where they entertained the Patriarch of Japan. Afterwards, he entertained them with a beautifully appointed party. After Osaka, they returned to Tokyo and then went on to Okinawa.

After having engine trouble, the plane finally got off and landed safely. The most beautiful sight Rosalind saw was the sunset in Okinawa. They stayed there five days and returned to the capital city. They did last-minute shopping, and on August 27, they competed against the Japanese swimmers in synchronized swimming. The Americans (Rosalind and her partner) won by five points! Then they came back to the United States.

about an honor

Do you know anyone who deserves a reward? Would you, if you had the opportunity, like to give an honor, say a national one, to someone that you greatly admire? Read one. It may be possible.

Each year the Catholic college students of America give an award to an outstanding Catholic man or woman active in the field of the lay apostolate. Any college can submit as many nominations as it wishes, and these nominations come from students of that college.

The qualifications for the award are as follows: 1. Graduate of an American Catholic undergraduate college. 2. Outstanding Catholic in the field of the lay apostolate. 3. Now residing in the United States and available for personal presentation next summer of the award at the NFCCS National Congress in San Francisco.

There are Catholics fulfilling the above qualifications who are outstanding in teaching, politics, labor, and science to mention a few fields, and many of them can be found in the St. Louis area. If anyone would like to nominate someone, she is asked to give the name to a Student Council representative or a NFCCS delegate by January 8, 1958, along with a few reasons why this person is a worthy nominee.

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