

Students Hear Notre Dame U. Professor

Dr. Henry D. Hinton, professor of chemistry at Notre Dame University, will speak at the April 6th assembly on "Headlines in Science." Receiving a bachelor of science degree from Illinois College, a master of science from the University of Chicago, and a doctorate from the University of Notre Dame, Dr. Hinton will supplement his lecture by an exhibit of new products on the market.



Henry D. Hinton, Ph.D.

May Enter Contest For Silver Opinion

During the months of February and March, Reed and Barton, America's oldest major silver-smiths are conducting a "Silver Opinion Competition," in which valuable scholarship awards totaling \$2050 are being offered to duly enrolled women students at a few selected colleges and universities. Fontbonne has been selected to enter this competition in which the First Grand Award is a \$500 cash scholarship; Second Grand Award is a \$300 scholarship; Third Grand Award is a \$250 scholarship; Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Awards are \$200 scholarships; and Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth are \$100 scholarships. In addition, there will be 100 other awards consisting of sterling silver, fine china, and crystal with a retail value of approximately \$50.00.

In the "Silver Opinion Competition," an entry form illustrates twelve designs of sterling with nine designs of both china and crystal. An entrant simply lists what she considers the six best matching selections or those coming closest to the unanimous selections of tablesetting editors from three of the nation's leading magazines.

Barbara Gutting is the student representative, who is conducting the "Silver Opinion Competition" for Reed and Barton at Fontbonne. Those interested in entering the competition should contact her for entry blanks and for complete details concerning the competition rules. She also has samples of 12 of the most popular Reed and Barton designs so that entrants can see how these sterling patterns actually look.

Patricia Cramer, sophomore, won a prize in the contest last year.

Through the opinions on silver design expressed by college women competing for these scholarships, Reed and Barton hopes to compile a valuable library of expressions of young American tastes.

Alumnae Plan Annual Mass, Card Party

The alumnae will sponsor its annual card party Friday, April 29. The chairman and co-chairman are Mrs. Thomas Tlapel and Mrs. Thomas Coates, respectively. They will be assisted by Mrs. E. D. Tenaglia, Mrs. John E. Riley, Mrs. John Kraft, Mrs. Kenneth Grant, Mrs. Russel Dye, Miss Kathleen Gunn, Mrs. Leo J. Bub, Jr., Mrs. Frederick Haper, Mrs. Paul Rodgers, and Mrs. Michael Galli. The donation will be \$5.00 a table.

The alumnae Annual Mass and Communion breakfast will be held Saturday, May 21, on the Fontbonne campus. The guest speaker will be Rev. Timothy Horner, O.S.B., principal of the St. Louis Priority School. The general chairman of the event is Mrs. Douglas Ries, mother of Susan '60 and Carol Ries Catanzaro '58. At the breakfast the graduating class will be initiated into the association. The honored guests will be the silver jubilee class, that of 1935.

The annual alumnae day of recollection, which was scheduled for Wednesday, March 9, was cancelled because of inclement weather. It will be rescheduled at a later date.

Ceremonies

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Sister Maria Gregory's sister, JoAnn Stocklausner, received the name of Sister Maria Therese. Margaret Siebert's sister, Roseann, will now be known as Sister Joseph Marian.

Rosalie Vachon, from Peoria, Ill., niece of Sister Susanne Marie who died three years ago when she was president of Fontbonne, is now Sister Susanne Marie.

After the ceremonies of profession and reception, presided over by Archbishop Joseph Elmer Ritter, D.D., of St. Louis, Holy Mass was celebrated. Officials were the following: Very Rev. Pius Barth, O.F.M.; Rev. Ethelbert Harms, O.F.M.; Friar Liguori Mittelstadt, O.F.M., celebrant, deacon, and sub-deacon, respectively. Master of ceremonies was Rev. David Eckelkamp, O.F.M.



Cherry Blossom Tree, on Fams-For-Japan Day, March 1. That grew in the newspaper office. Lucky winners of gifts were: Alice Thompson, Mary Lee Britt, Joan Wade, the unidentified Freshmen behind the Tree, Mary Teresa Kleit, Eunice Spencer.

Now Qualified For Teaching

An air of eager expectancy (and satisfaction!) permeates this group of prospective teachers as they sit in the recently organized curriculum library. Fortified by a strong liberal arts program together with the professional skills necessary to stimulate and assist pupils in the acquisition and utilization of knowledge, these 1960 Fontbonne graduates are now prepared to do their part in the instruction of youth and the formation of leaders of tomorrow.

Each student is fully qualified for teaching grades 1 through 8 and is eligible for the highest type of state certification. The schools which generously cooperated in the laboratory training of the future teachers are: Bayless, Wyland, Meramec, Our Lady of Lourdes, McKinley and Washington Park in the county; Lindenwood, Clark Bank, Cathedral, Kennard, and Mallinckrodt in the city.

Students preparing to teach on the secondary level are doing their student teaching at the present time.

Education majors who have completed student teaching are the following: Judith Lexa, Lindenwood school; Kathleen Quinlan, Wyland; Eileen Wilms, Bayless; Maureen Smith, Our Lady of Lourdes; Maureen Teasdale, Meramec; Amy Smith, Clark Branch; Elaine Stewart, Our Lady of Lourdes; Carolyn Carroll, Kennard; Donna Weber, Washington Park; Marianne Percy, McKinley; Mary Ann McKenna, Cathedral; Suzanne Harter, Mallinckrodt; Nancy Stigers, Wyland.

Council Rules On Campuses

At its meeting on March 9 the Student Council put into effect the following rules regarding campuses:

1. A student must work off a four-hour campus within two weeks of the date of issuance.
2. If a student fails to work off a campus within two weeks of issuance, she will be fined \$1.00 and given one additional week in which to serve her campus.
3. Should she fail to pay the \$1.00 fine and work off her campus within the additional week, the student will be summoned to appear before the next Student Council meeting.



Barbara Krausel, Senior, will be heard in an Organ Recital Sunday, May 1, in the Auditorium. The following composers will be included on the program: Buxtehude, Bach, Mozart, and Langlais.

Shakespeare In the Round

As its "Shakespeare-in-Round" presentation, the speech department gives the English dramatist's famous "Midsummer Night's Dream." The play will be seen March 27, Sunday, at 8 p.m. in Medaille Hall Ballroom.

Appearing in the cast are Agnes Hromadka, Hermia; Susan McNulty, Helena; Robert Wright, Lysander; Robert Scullen, Demetrius; George Peterson, Theseus; Joan Wavering, Hippolyta; Barbara Jahoda, Puck; Patrick Amar, Oberon; Mary Louise Hobolt, Titania; Robert Winkler, Pyramus; Janice Stoyer, Marilyn Moss, Donna Rae Smith, and Marilyn Costello were the Fairies.

The college presentation follows the unique theory of several Shakespearean scholars, especially Leslie Hotson, that the Elizabethan stage was constructed in the round. "Shakespeare's Wooden O" is Hotson's book, which has just been published.



Seniors in Primary Education Program. Seated: Judith Lexa, Kathleen Quinlan, Eileen Wilms, Maureen Smith. Standing: Maureen Teasdale, Amy Smith, Elaine Stewart, Carolyn Carroll, Donna Weber, Marianne Percy, Mary Ann McKenna, Suzanne Harter. Missing in the picture is Nancy Stigers.

Agree Existentialism Is Not Philosophy, but Attitude

"Existentialism has performed a service of our era of collectivism by stressing the importance of the individual," said Sister Rita Marie, of the philosophy department, before the annual St. Thomas Aquinas' seminar, March 7, 1960.

"Strictly speaking, existentialism is not a philosophy but rather an attitude toward reality," Kierkegaard (19th century philosopher), its founder, does not reason to God's existence. Rather, he encounters Him in the crisis of anguish and despair by a passionate free choice.

"However, under the influence of atheistic thinkers like Jean Paul Sartre, existentialism has become a philosophy of gloom and doom, of the meaningless of life. This preoccupation with the individual frustrated in every venture reflects the temper of an age estranged from God and forgetful of man."

Seven students in the department participated in the discussion. Following is a condensed version of each seminarist's talk:

Rosemary Noser: "Man as seen by the existentialists is a purely passive depraved frustrated creature subject to fear, dread, anguish, and death. Most existentialists deny God and refer to Him as out-of-date or an impossibility. Having abandoned all belief in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, the existentialists

depend completely on themselves. Three characteristics common to all existentialists are: freedom, subjectivity, and the descriptive method."

Nancy Hoffman: "Although the melancholy Dane, Soren Kierkegaard, died in 1855, his religious-philosophical beliefs have but recently been popularized as a result of their "rediscovery" by the well-known German philosophers, Martin Heidegger and Carl Jaspers. Despite the fact that the founder's ideas lay dormant for seventy-five years, existentialism today is still permeated by the fear and frustration which characterized Kierkegaard's life and carried over in his thought."

Marcel

Hilda Bantle: "A personal thinker, Marcel reflects on experiences which have for him in his own life a special importance—such experiences as hope, love, and fidelity. Unlike Sartre, who is overcome with feelings of boredom, nausea, and despair, Marcel goes out to his neighbor in love. Marcel's plays are built around such themes as misunderstanding, disappointed love and human loneliness; none of the heroes, however, is ever his spokesman because Marcel dramatizes the contradictory of his philosophical positions."

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Barbara Miles, Editor of the Yearbook, Fontbonne, says distribution of the annual is scheduled for the day before the Easter Vacation, if all plans work out.

Emerald Islanders Dance March 17

On the traditional Irish holiday, St. Patrick's Day, when anybody who is anybody seems to have ancestors from the Emerald Isle, the probates of the Sodality sponsored an all-school mixer in Medaille ballroom from 8:30 p.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Music was provided by Will Britt and his Orchestra, and freshman Kay Koncen sang "Peg O' My Heart." With Kay leading them, the students joined together in singing some of the old Irish favorites. As a finale the group "raised the roof" with the lively, though not traditional, "When the Saints Come Marching In."

Co-chairmen for the mixer were Victoria Bayot and Janice Brehre. The respective committees were headed by Mary Rose Dunn, refreshments; Judith Gelmi, invitations; Carolyn Tindall, decorations; Diane Johnson, entertainment; Gloria Porter, publicity; and Joan Clerc and Mary Stanford, clean-up.

New Major

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) meet requirements set up by the Conference of 200 Executives of the American Schools for the Deaf.

Founded in 1837, St. Joseph's Institute draws professional visitors and observers from all parts of the world. It has had pupils from all parts of the United States, Central America, Europe, Canada, Japan, Mexico, the Philippine Islands. Its present enrollment is 148.

Its principal, Sister Anna Rose Kraus, C.S.J., M.A., and Sister Rose Antonia traveled and studied in Europe in the summer of 1958.

Unit Plans April-May Activities

The Red Cross Club on campus is busy making plans for their activities during April and May. They will have several functions which all students are invited to participate in.

A regular monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 4. Volunteers are needed to help color Easter Eggs. No artistic talent is needed, only the desire to have a good time. The date for this delightful event will be Tuesday, April 12.

A trip to Scott Air Force Base will be made on April 28. This is the last trip of the year and the last chance for members to help hospitalized soldiers.

A monthly meeting will be held May 2 to make final arrangements for the booth at the Penny Circus, May 13. The end of May will be an open meeting for Red Cross college personnel at Bi-Chapter in St. Louis. The faculty of Fontbonne and students are cordially invited.

Liturgists Sponsor Mass Demonstration

The Fontbonne Liturgy Committee has recently completed arrangements for the demonstration Mass to take place on Wednesday, March 30, at 2:00 p.m. in the Ballroom of Medaille Hall. In a demonstration Mass, more commonly called a "dry" Mass, there are two priests. One priest acts as the celebrant of the Mass and performs the priestly action in slow motion. The other priest acts as commentator and explains the meaning and significance of the actions and prayers of the Mass.

The main purpose of this "dry" Mass is to make the Mass more meaningful in daily life. The altar will be situated in close proximity to the students so that everyone can see what is taking place and get the most out of it.

The celebrant will be Reverend Aloysius F. Welmes of Elsberry, Missouri. He has been very active in the Liturgical Conference.

The commentator will be Reverend Nicholas Schneider, who is assistant curate to Monsignor Martin B. Helreigel, pastor of Holy Cross Church, in Baden, and internationally known authority on the liturgy.



Junior Prom Chairmen. Seated: Hilda Bantle, Joann Porta, and Marilyn Montileone, president. Standing: Barbara Gutting, Patricia Slack, Doris Trost, Bette Saunders, Marilyn Forman, Patricia Mosley. This annual event, the most important of the social scholastic year, will be held May 6 in Medaille Ballroom.



St. Patrick's Dance Leaders: Diana Johnson, chairman of entertainment; Glorianna Porter, publicity; Victoria Bayot, general co-chairman; Mary Rose Dunn, refreshments; Janice Brehre, general chairman; Carolyn Tindall, decorations; Judith Gelmi, invitations.

Qualifying Exam For Ed. Sophomores

On Tuesday, April 5, 1960, from 9 until 12 o'clock, all sophomores majoring in education will take a qualifying examination. The examinations will be held in Science 204 and will be administered by Sister Mary Hugh.

NFCCS Sponsors Bermuda Trip

Once again this year an "Easter Week in Bermuda" tour for Catholic college students will be sponsored by the NFCCS. This tour will take place in order that students will have the opportunity of spending the Holy Week and Easter Day with their families.

The dates for the tour are Monday, April 18, through Sunday, April 24. The same low price of \$215 will be maintained this year.

Included in the specially arranged college week activities are beach parties, water skiing, island cruises, golfing, and contests.

To make reservations, students should contact the Campus Travel Chairman or write to NFCCS—NNCF Travel Program, 1 Thomas Circle, N. W., Washington 5, D.C. Space is limited; therefore students are urged to place their reservations as soon as possible.

C.I.C. Meets In Chicago

The Catholic Interracial Council of Chicago estimates that 300 students leaders from 45 mid-western colleges will attend its 7th Annual Midwest College Conference being held at the Sheraton Towers Hotel, March 25, 26, and 27.

The theme of the CIC College Conference is "Urban Migrants: Minorities in Perspective." The student leaders attend to learn up-to-date information and techniques to improve interracial relations.

Dr. John Kane, Chairman of the Sociology Department at Notre Dame University will open the conference with a paper on immigrant groups to large cities. Mrs. Margaret Madden, Director of the Committee on New Residence of the City of Chicago will lead a panel of experts in a discussion on Dr. Kane's paper.

Senator Paul Douglas will be a featured speaker at the meeting. Senator Douglas will speak on civil rights legislation at the Conference Banquet, Saturday, March 26.

The Conference will close Sunday, March 27, with a talk by a national leader in social action work, Mr. Donald Thorman, who is managing editor of the Catholic weekly magazine, *Ave Maria*, and president of the National Catholic Social Action Conference.

Achievement Day Set For Sunday

Honoring the high school seniors who won scholarships to Fontbonne and other top ranking students in the 1960 graduating classes, the 1960 Fontbonne Achievement Day program will be held on Sunday, March 27 in the Fine Arts auditorium at 2 p.m.

Scholarship winners will be presented with white pens in gold pen-holders with "Fontbonne College" printed in gold on white leather. There will be no formal speeches, and the high school students will be taken on a tour of the various departments.

Students Hear Ann Culkin

Miss Ann Culkin, prominent lay speaker and graduate of Marywood College, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, spoke Monday, March 21, on "The Christian Personality."

Telling her audience that a Catholic student should reflect her Catholic education in everything she does and says and that the world of today expects leaders who are good, well-informed, courteous, and charitable, to mention only a few traits, Miss Culkin spoke at 10 o'clock instead of the regular 2 o'clock assembly period.

Miss Culkin was one of the principal speakers at the annual convention of the St. Louis Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women held Sunday and Monday at the Chase Hotel.

Existentialism

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Sister Marian Francis, C.S.J.: "Like Marcel's other plays, A MAN OF GOD pursues the common theme that man finds his vocation in learning to participate in being. This participation is not achieved by dissolving the individual in some vague cosmic embrace, but by gaining awareness of one's personal significance and joining in the community of persons. It has been observed that this need for openness to others is the reason why Marcel usually chooses as a setting, a home where there are plenty of doors and windows symbolizing our capacity for becoming accessible to others, and for living with each other. As he himself has said, he is trying to present the drama" . . . of the soul in exile, of the soul which suffers from the lack of communion with herself and with others."

Kathleen Gentile: "Two significant events, World War I and World War II, shattered all that the European people considered valuable and made them take notice of their wandering selves. This candid look at themselves was a reaction against the modern world and all its relativistic standards. It also urged the European into an introspective view of himself, into a naked awareness of his contingency, his freedom, and all that it entails. This, then, is existentialism."

Marilyn Cass: "Strictly speaking, existentialism is not a new philosophy. Seven hundred years ago St. Thomas Aquinas taught the primacy of existence over essence. However, he was not so foolish as to teach that man exists before he has an essence."

Joan Fegan: "Sartre's world is an absurd and impossible universe, populated by contingent and isolated beings, all self-enclosed and merely physically placed in a meta-physical and moral vacuum. He demands that 'God is dead' so that human freedom may be born. He leaves man forlorn in a world without God."



Seniors Trying to Comprehend: Leslie Conway, Donna Weber, Eileen Wilms, and Marianne Percy. Comprehensive examinations will be held April 26 and 27.

Survey Shows Friends Vital to Family Happiness

(Editor's Note: The "Guest Writer" for this issue is Neil Gallagher, senior in the department of sociology at St. Louis University.)

Not long ago a group of seniors here at Fontbonne were asked to complete a questionnaire describing their own family, and the five families with whom their parents visited most often before the students entered college. The information obtained is being combined with that from approximately 60,000 other highschool and college students in various parts of the country, as part of the largest family study ever conducted in the United States. The study, "The Harvard Survey of Successful American Families," is being conducted by two of the country's foremost sociologists, Dr. Carle C. Zimmerman of Harvard University, and Rev. Lucius F. Cervantes, S.J., of St. Louis University, in order to determine the number of good and bad families, and the reasons why some families are successful while others are failures.

From the results so far tabulated Doctors Zimmerman and Cervantes have corroborated a number of their original hypotheses, and discovered some surprising new phenomena. One such surprising discovery is the fact that 85 per cent of the American families are "good" families, i.e., there is no divorce or desertion, no juvenile arrests, and no children dropping out of school before completing the twelfth grade; and the number of these "good" families is on the increase. What is of even greater importance, however, is the reason why these "good" families are increasing.

Pattern

Doctor Zimmerman and Father Cervantes have noted a very definite "pattern" in these successful families whose general characteristics are very similar to their own. It was found that if the surveyed family had the four characteristics of religion, region of origin, approximate income, and kinship in common with its closest friend families, it nearly always falls into the category of a "good" families which have none of the four characteristics in common with their friends, show a high

incidence of divorce and desertion coupled with juvenile delinquency and school dropouts.

The reasons for this situation, when looked at in retrospect, are fairly obvious. Children, especially small children, are very susceptible to what they hear. Thus, if the friends with which the family associates are relatives and have religion, region of origin and income similar to their own, then the children will be exposed to similar viewpoints and comments and will develop a sound and unified attitude. If, on the other hand, the friends brought into the home differ in these essential characteristics, then the children will be exposed to a mass of confusion and arguments, and may develop a hostile attitude toward these and other matters. It is also fairly clear how the unity of husband and wife can be strengthened by friends with similar characteristics, but can be weakened when, for example, the wife's friends have different values and attitudes than do the husband's.

Similarity

Surrounding yourselves with friend families of similar backgrounds and characteristics, then, builds a protective wall around your family, shielding you and your children from the "unwholesome influences" of the world outside. The validity of this statement is borne out by the statistics of the survey. For example, from the high school studies taken here in St. Louis the families which had none of the four traits (religion, region of origin, income, and kinship) in common with their friends showed a juvenile arrest rate 7.5 times higher than families which had all four traits in common. Again, in Denver the families with nothing in common showed juvenile arrests 12 times higher and a divorce and desertion rate four times higher than the families in the same city with common characteristics.

On the basis of this overwhelming information, Doctor Zimmerman and Father Cervantes have concluded that the American social structure is NOT decaying as Dr. Kinsey and others would have us believe. On the contrary, the "good" families are increasing and the "bad" ones are decreasing because American families are surrounding themselves with friend families having backgrounds, values and interests similar to their own.

Kathleen Rohan, Nerinx Hall; Mary Ann Scheffer, Visitation Academy; Laura Stenger, Bishop DuBourg High School; Jacqueline Vogel, St. John's High School; Penny Worthington, Nerinx Hall.

Winners of the 10 scholarships to Webster are: Mary Jo Barnstead, Incarnate Word Academy; Ann Patricia Burnes, Notre Dame Academy; St. Louis; Mary Karen Cantwell, Incarnate Word Academy; Maureen Cleary, Incarnate Word Academy; Jo Ann Emmereich, Cor Jesu Academy; Nancy Ellen Gates, Bishop DuBourg High School; Mary Kathryn Haas, Xavier High School; Marsha Leisher, Notre Dame Academy, St. Louis; Mary Beatrice Schulte, Nerinx Hall; Jo Ann Webb, Sumner High School.

The 30 winners were selected from among 45 finalists. Eligible for the examination were senior girls of the St. Louis area, who ranked in the highest fifth of their class.



B. Brimmer

Sodality Unions Established To Foster Leadership, Encourage Membership

(Editor's Note: This issue concludes the history of the Sodality).

During the past twenty-five years many Sodality unions have been established in the United States among both the parish and school groups. These unions aim at forming leaders within the constituent Sodalities, encouraging and energizing the Sodalities and sponsoring united activities which the single Sodality would be incapable of executing. In 1931 the St. Louis Summer School of Catholic Action appeared on the scene for the first time. Now meeting for one week each summer in three different sections of the country, the SSCA has been a singular influence in intensifying spiritual life, directing Sodalists to practical action, and training them in organizational methods and procedures.

Principles of Sodality Life

As can be seen from the title of this article, the Sodality is principally a way of life, i.e., it is no mere transitory club or organization. A Sodalist who has made her permanent Act of Consecration is a Sodalist for life (unless she freely discontinues her Sodality duties and her affiliation with some organized Sodality). As a way of life, the Sodality should be a real influence on the actions and motives of its members regardless of their state in life. Their Sodality ideals, rules, and principles should carry over in any situation at any time of their lives. It is important to point out, though, that none of the obligations as stated in THE COMMON RULES of 1910 are binding under pain of sin. Their binding force is that of a solemn promise to Our Blessed Mother, made either for life or for a certain length of time.

The Sodality can be roughly broken down into four avenues of living, each dependent upon and complementing the other. The internal personal avenue consists in the member's program of self-sanctification. It includes principally the Daily Duties which each Sodalist must perform: special morning prayers, Mass, fifteen minutes of Mental Prayer, the rosary or Office of the Blessed Mother, and an examination of conscience before retiring. The internal

organizational avenue consists in all the activities which the organization provides in order to foster the internal personal work of the individual members: retreats, days of recollection, director's talks, interviews, etcetera. The external personal apostolate is the third avenue of Sodality living. It consists in all those things which a Sodalist can do as an individual, making his personal contact count for the kingdom of Christ, doing what he can as an individual. And finally, the external organizational apostolate, the fourth avenue, consists in all of those activities accomplished by the corporate action of the members of the Sodality to help spread the kingdom of Christ. As was mentioned above, these avenues are mutually dependent upon one another, i.e., none can exist alone. "We cannot give what we do not have." To be an active apostle one must first be active spiritually and vice versa.

Sodality Life at Fontbonne College

Although the principles listed above remain the same for every Sodality throughout the world, each respective Sodality carries on an individual program through which these principles function. Here at Fontbonne this program is set up on two levels: the Probation and the Senior Sodality levels.

The principal objective of the first two years of probation is to form active Senior Sodalists who are fully aware of all facets of Sodality way of life, who are equipped to carry out the individual and organized apostolate here at Fontbonne, and who are preparing themselves for an active Sodality apostolate after graduation. The first year of probation is devoted to understanding and living the Sodality's internal personal and organizational life. During this year, the candidate attends three meetings a week: the regular Friday meetings (to acquaint her with the functioning of the Senior Sodality), general probate meetings, at which lectures on Sodality living are given, and special counselling meetings. The second and third meetings make up what is known as the Counselling System at Fontbonne

study habits

Many people are under the false impression that a college accepts only students who have an IQ of 200. Of course, this is a big help; but good study habits are of equal importance to success in college. A person of normal intelligence, who applies herself diligently, will, in most cases, make better grades and benefit more from a college education than a "genius" who does haphazard work.

A good student takes a course, not only because she has to do so, but also because she realizes it will help to improve her mind and make her a well-rounded person. Accordingly, then, assignments would be handed in on time, and class work will have been read and prepared. Sitting in the cafeteria or the den doing her homework ten minutes before class would never even occur to a good student.

Good study habits cannot just come to a person. They must be learned and practiced. It would probably do every student some good if she would stop to consider her study habits and what she can do to improve them. After this self-analysis and a little work each student should find that she has improved her grades as well as herself.

College. Each week, after general lectures given by the Sodality moderators, the probates meet individually with members of the Senior Sodality. At these interviews, the subject of the lectures is discussed and any problems that the candidate may have are talked over. These meetings result in a clearer understanding of Sodality principles on the part of the probate and the conviction that someone is interested in and able to help her with individual problems.

After the first year's probation, the candidate makes a temporary Act of Consecration lasting for one year. Here at Fontbonne the temporary Act is made in May and the permanent Act the following May. During the year of temporary membership, the counselling system does not function, but the Sodalists must attend special weekly meetings at which they are acquainted with Sodality organizational and apostolic life. Such material as the BIS SACULARI, the apostolic constitution on Sodalities of Our Lady, and THE COMMON RULES of 1910 are studied during this time.

At the end of the second year of probation, the Fontbonne Sodalist is ready to make her permanent Act of Consecration (or renew her temporary Act if she prefers) and join the ranks of the Senior Sodalists. She is now a member "in toto" and is expected to live out to the best of her ability an active spiritual and apostolic life both on and off campus.

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