

Retreat Ends Holy Saturday

REV. J. P. O'MAHONEY PREACHES ANNUAL HOLY WEEK STUDENT RETREAT

Positive Holiness Emphasized In Stirring Conferences; Rev. T. E. Shea Unable To Fulfill Engagement

Due to unforeseen and necessary tasks during Holy Week, Rev. T. E. Shea, pastor of St. Mary's Pontiac, alumnus of St. Viator, '16, was unable to fulfill his engagement to preach the annual student retreat at the College. Though it was a great disappointment that this great orator could not give the conference, the announcement that Rev. Joseph P. O'Mahoney, C. S. V., Provincial of the Chicago Province of the Viatorian order, had graciously offered his services for the occasion was a great consolation, for Fr. O'Mahoney is noted for his ability as an orator.

The first exercise of the Retreat was the conference, Wednesday night, April 12. The next morning the services of Holy Thursday were held with Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., as celebrant of the Mass, Rev. John E. Williams, C. S. V., deacon, Rev. Francis J. Harbauer, C. S. V., sub-deacon. The Master of Ceremonies was Rev. William J. Cracknell, C. S. V. The seniors in cap and gown, the acolytes with lighted candles and two little flower girls led the procession of the Blessed Sacrament while the choir chanted the "Pange Linga". The conferences during the day while the Blessed Sacrament was in the repository constantly guarded by students appointed for the task of honor, were of a positive nature that served to turn the mind to the achievement of holiness beyond mere avoidance of mortal sin stressing the importance of good works. They were stirring orations.

Good Friday

The sad services of Good Friday, mirroring the sorrow of the Faithful at the extinguishing of the "light of the world" for a time, however short, and the Mass of the Presanctified were performed by the same celebrant and deacons. The altars were left bare, the door of the tabernacle was open. The clouds were lowering and the rain beat upon the windows, but the words of the retreat master were those of hope and reconciliation.

Holy Saturday

The last conference of the Retreat was given Friday evening. The confessions were heard and the College prepared for the significant ceremonies of the next day. Following the joyful services, Fr. O'Mahoney spoke briefly, but his words were those of the leader about to reenter the battle. The battle cry was "Forward"! There was to be no looking back on the past, except to remember its folly, to learn wisdom from it and from the experience of others. Pronouncing the apostolic blessing, this distinguished Viatorian sent forth each student with renewed spiritual and mental vigor, out into the brilliant sunshine of hope and happiness.

Joseph Torri and Bourke Monahan, '32, and Kenneth Bushman April 8 took the K. of C. Scholarship exam.

PROVINCIAL GIVES RETREAT



VERY REV. J. P. O'MAHONEY, C. S. V.

GLEE CLUB MAKES FINAL BROADCAST

Presents Varied Program; WCFL, April 30

The third and final broadcast of the St. Viator Glee Club over station WCFL will take place at eight o'clock Sunday evening, April 30. The preceding presentations of this popular organization have been so well received and the requests for another broadcast so numerous that the invitation of the station has been accepted for this final appearance over the ether.

In the short time of its existence the Glee Club has made several successful public appearances, as a most important part of the Christmas play. And forms the Chorus of the Mikoda. It has been most capably directed by Miss Harriet Gillette whose ceaseless activity in its advancement has met with the hearty cooperation of all the members in forming an interesting and useful organization.

Program

The program of April 30 is composed of some exceptionally beautiful numbers. Among them are "The Bubble", from the Musical Farce "High Jinks", by Rudolf Friml and arranged by Wallingford Riegger; "In The Luxembourg Gardens" by Kathleen Manning, arranged by Riegger. A double quartet composed of George Fleming, Vivian Revell, first tenors; Edward Hunt, James Foohy, second tenors; Charles Byron and Kenneth Bushman, baritones; Don Anderson, James McNally, basses, will sing the ever popular "Home On The Range" composed by David W. Guion, likewise arranged by Riegger, and "Tally-Ho", a rousing hunting song by Franco Leoni and arranged by Frederic Lord. The fine old melody which is so often associated with the south and, in general, with the Viatorian age, "Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes", the words of which are a lovely poem by Ben Johnson, is another of the chorus numbers.

FRESHMAN FROLIC TO BE HELD MAY 12

Country Club Is Scene; Faletti Orchestra

The Freshman Frolic which features the post Easter social activity of the College this year promises to be the most successful because it is the most carefully planned dance of the year. The President of the class, Joseph W. Mahoney, is chairman of the committee composed of Norbert Ellis and William Phelan which is in charge of the arrangements. These very capable men are making every effort to provide the upperclassmen and friends with the best in dancing entertainment.

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STUDENTS DEPART AFTER SERVICES

Vacation Ends Tuesday Evening, April 18

In the presence of veiled statues, with words that have been uttered through the ages, the "new fire" is kindled and the services of Holy Saturday are begun. Ceremony follows significant ceremony. The Paschal candle—symbolic of the body of the risen Christ—is lighted. Then the bells are ringing once more. The rich tones of the organ join those of the choristers chanting "Alleluia". Statues are unveiled. The rays of the glorious sun are shining through stained glass windows. The most wonderful feast of the year, Easter, is inaugurated.

Apostolic Blessing

The long and beautiful service ends. The Apostolic Blessing is bestowed on the students who are finishing their annual retreat. A new spiritual life is begun. Each individual returns to his mundane affairs with a new vigor.

Breakfast must be undergone in haste, for there are those early trains to be caught, or, perhaps, Dad and Mother will be here soon. And out on the highway, students are already forming a line on either side of passing motors—going south, north, east and west. The sunshine after rain is more charming than ever this morning. Nature seems rejoicing with her children in the return of spring and happiness.

Students Remain

But not every one will be so fortunate as to go home for this great feast. Distance and time forbid it, for the vacation ends Tuesday evening. For them there will be the beauty of High Mass celebrated in the College chapel at a flower decked altar, the priest vested in joyful white, the exultant Gregorian chant of the choir, rising and falling rhythmically carrying the spirit heavenward.

BERGIN DEBATERS WIN FROM ROSARY

View Large Collection Of Rare Art Treasures

The Bergin Debating Society, represented by the manager, Robert A. Nolan, Gill Middleton, and Ralph Hoover upheld the affirmative of the question: resolved: "That the United States should cancel the Inter-Allied War Debts", in debate with Rosary College of River Forest. The decision was given to the Bergin Debaters.

Raymund G. Wenthe, a prominent and accomplished debater acted as driver for his fellow debaters, and also as critic. The team was accompanied by the coach, Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V. Arriving in the evening the debaters were entertained at dinner by the College and later enjoyed an inspection of the rare art collection and tapestries of medieval and more modern Europe that Rosary possesses.

VIATORIAN JOINS NATIONAL PEACE MOVEMENT: TO ASK STUDENT OPINION

Intercollegiate Disarmament Council Sponsors Poll To Submit To President On Participation In War

In response to a nation wide movement under the leadership of the Inter-collegiate Disarmament Council THE VIATORIAN will hold a poll during the next fortnight to determine the attitude of the student body toward participation in war for their country.

The purpose of the poll is explained in the following words of James Frederick Green, chairman of the Council:

In view of the imminent danger of war in Europe and the Far East, promising a degree of destruction and concomitant suffering unknown even in the World War, I believe that it is imperative for American students to speak their minds at this time. Undergraduates at Oxford and in other British universities are giving their government due warning that they will "under no circumstances fight for King and Country". A similar declaration by our present college generation will compel the American government to consider twice any action liable to involve the country in war, especially in view of its obligations under the Paris Pact.

The Intercollegiate Disarmament Council national poll on "Participation in War" is circulating some 600 colleges, four of which, Columbia, Brown Princeton and Yale are already enthusiastically carrying on their local polls. The petition is phrased so that both the radical and the moderate pacifist may sign, in designated columns. Whether they pledge themselves "not to participate in any way, of whatever origin or nature" or "except in case of invasion of the mainland of the United States", American students will be going far toward preventing a declaration of war by the United States. In order to determine what proportion of a given college community has signed the pacifist pledges, a third column is provided for signatures to a statement which represents the traditional test of citizens, willingness to participate in any war constitutionally declared by Congress.

It will be noted that the phrase "to participate in war" is used by the Inter-collegiate Disarmament Coun-

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Lucka day, what do we have to loose. (get the pun) Here are some of the most fortunate shafts of the weak ready to speed on their way. The High and Holy Hoover seems to have his hands full with his loss of romance. It is too bad at that and such a sweet romance. Well, Herby, you can't go around insulting our BEAUTIFUL co-eds with impunity and expect to get away with it. Such a wonderful subject as Hoover might as well stay for another round of dirt. We would like to know what was in that Orange Juice that the Debaters had at River Forest? Just why did the Judge tell Herb that he thought he was drunk? Fie, fie upon thee. Another Senior is ready to run the gauntlet of publicity, Ed. (Titwillow, to you) Hunt is getting all ready to elude the sheriff. He will take those books of the month and then try to get away with them. Show them that you can take it, Eddie. Don't let them scare you. They can't put you in jail for more than a year. Beer is back and many are the Viatorians that gather around the Festive Mohagany, these

beautiful evenings. Even the Editor of this Conservative Journal has fallen prey to the Intemperates. Don't let any one, even Congress, tell you that the Beer is not intoxicating. Our Bubble and Foam Investigating Committee has just brought in their report, and we know. Thanks for the hard research work, Nolan. Another movie star has popped up in our midst in the person of a certain Sophomore co-ed of Bourbonnais. Boop, boop, adoop. The old personality plus of James (the other) Hunt must be failing for he was stood up the other night. That's all right Jim. We hear you can take it. Middleton is staying here at the College for the vacation and there must be some reason. Jack Cronin is again regaining his status as a ladies man. And is he crazy about that song, "Sweet Rosy O'Grady". One thing, John, you had better stay away from the Bridge near Beardsley Corner, or The Westray will think that you are trying to get in with Sue, and that would be too bad for you. Now to a couple of the simple but Sincere Freshmen. Maguire mortified himself by not calling Therese up during Holy week, but at that she never was at home when he did call there

before. Better ask Meany for some lessons in Technique. Also ask him where he was the last night he was home and where he met Sullivan. Baker is still consistent in his phone calls, but why must you tell her that you are busy on some evenings when you are NOT, Stu? Burns can really stand Mortification. He took all of his walking in the Village between conferences. No, he was not alone. Why would he be. Fleming and Whalen of the Third are out-Stooping the Stoopnocrats in their inventions in their room. Rube Goldberg had better look to his Laurels. As Dugan would say the new Viatorian Beer Cheer could well be, "Three point two-poo! poo! He would say that. Now is the time for the Co-eds to have another sale in their rooms and make it beer this time. You must make that room popular at any cost. There should be an attraction in it. There isn't now. Not even one. Byron and Ellis are rather falling down in their mail from Joliet. Just wait till the next Dance comes around and then the Postman will have to work overtime. Ed Hunt, through the magnanimity of Orren Allen of the staff of the Local Rag received a write-up ex-

pounding all of the work that Ed had done in Philosophy. Oh, yes, it also mentioned that Ed played football here. It looks like it was time for a choosing between Sullivan, the "Terrible Turk", and Cronin, "The Strong Man of the Corridor". Cronin had better let Sully get in a pew when he wants to. Did Father Maguire ever collect the money that he bet with Hoover over a sermon. I am willing to contribute to the next bet. Jack Comisky is still clicking in Kankakee. Aren't those nushes ever supposed to do any work at all? By the way how did Doc Meany get home for the Easter vacation. Spreitzer had better stop throwing saw-dust on the head of our Treasurer. It isn't nice. We have heard some more news of the Hoover-Cruise rift. Why were they talking in the dusk of the College club-room the other night. Perhaps after all love will conquer. Have you heard all about Earl O'Mara's new song. It will make its first appearance on the air next week and will be slaughtered by Husk O'Mara. They are off. Gibbons tears off to Minonk to help with spring plowing and Chuck Peyton is away to Ohio to take care of Mary Jane. Heaven help her.

And have you heard about the editor who was so interested in this student publication that he remained at the College all during vacation just to edit it? Such devotion! But then there was Gill Middleton to console him. No doubt, they read poetry through out the vacation. Too bad "Bourbonnais Bill" Wenthe has to spend all his evenings working to find a theses subject. And now that spring is here, our student critic may find the local Lotharios beguiling the birds in the trees with their songs of love. Our own Junior Romeo, yes, we mean Burns is said to have most particularly dulcet tones, now, isn't love grand? Dugan was unable to write this column because he is hard at work on his modern opus of the Refectory, "Strange Innerfood". If you do not like any of the digs in this column tell us and we will proceed to 'choose' you and if we can't, then as cronin said to Winterhalter, we will get some one that can.

A Chapter Meeting of the Viatorian Order was held at the College during the Easter vacation, Tuesday, April 18.

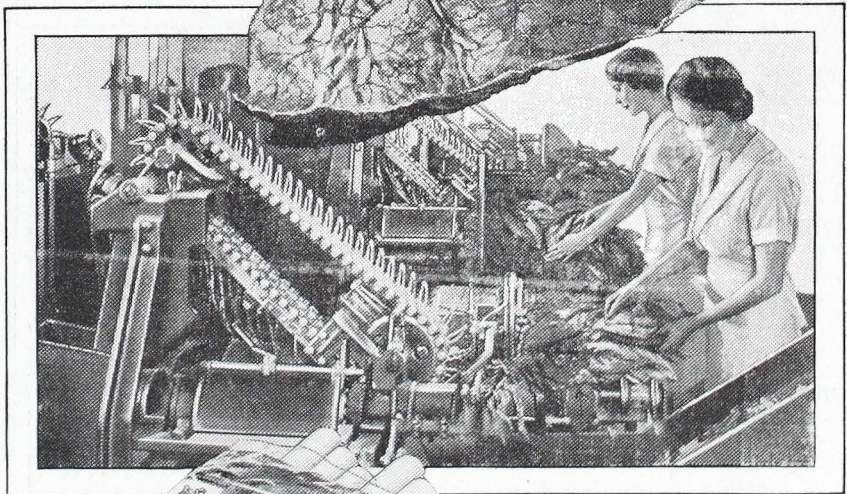
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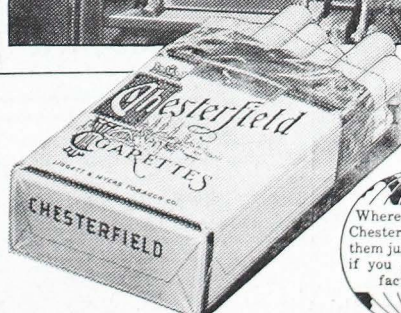
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Wel, aftur jo flunked the coarse las simestir, yud think he's qwit, but that just gose to show that you dont no jo. he sined up again, on account of he sez he wonts to lern. but now jo is in a qwandri—his pop told him a \$1,-000,000 wuz ahelluvalot, an when he told that to prof, he got plenti mad, so jo dont no whut to think. aftur while jo razes his haand and asks prof if a fella can git unished fur sumthin he hasn't dun. "No", sez prof, uv coarse not". jo smiles an sez "Gee, thats kean, cuz i didn't do that team you assined fur today". Well sir you cud eezily sea that prof wuz getting pretty mad, so figgerin to ketch jo, he asks hi mto spel the plurel of hippopotamus. jo looked stumped and we awl thot prof had him there, but finely he sez, "why thats very silly prof, cuz who'd want moar than wun hippopotamus?" then prof sent jo from therume, but next day it started awl ovir. when profasked jo for a sentints with the wurd diadem, and jo ansirs that peeple who driv onto ralerode crossings without looking, diadem site qwiker than those who stop, look and lissen. well prof throse an erasir at jo, like he geniraly duz and sez "allrite jo, qvote a scriptur virse", an smiledeevily cuz he thot he had jokwat, but jo jus puts on a board expreshun an sez "Judis went out into the garden an hanged himself". suchwizdum frum jo sur surprised prof, but he sez reel meenly, "thats the nutz, jo now qvote anuther", an did he look funny when jo sez "Go ye an do likewise".

But at that, Joe isn't so dumb. Until recently, one of the co-eds thought the Pied Piper was a drunken plumber.

Mother: "Whoever taught you to use that awful word?"

Small son: "The Easter rabbit, mother"

Mother: "The Easter rabbit?"

Son: "Yes, mother, when he fell over a chair in my bedroom on Easter eve".

"Isn't he rather fast, dear?" asked the anxious mother.

"Yes, mama", replied the girl, "but I don't think he will get away".

Jack: "Darling, you have teeth like Pearls".

She: "You flatter me".

Jack: "Oh, not so much. Have you seen hers?"

The Scotchman stood on the street car platform arguing with the conductor over the price of the fare, the Scotchman holding out for five cents while the conductor demanded seven cents. Finally in exasperation, the conductor seized the Scotchman's valise and threw it off the car, at the same time advising the Scotchman to follow. "Hoot man!" cried the Scotchman. "First you try to overcharge me, and then you try to kill my little boy".

Spreitzer says he has no trouble studying while his roommate, Degnan is typing, he reads a chapter between clicks.

Honest John held four queens, Sagebrush Pete, four kings, and Diamond Dick, four aces. Johnny bets ten dollars, Pete bets twenty five, and Dick raises to fifty. Johnny lays down his cards, Pete laughs and lays down his four kings. Johnny gets tough and beats him to the draw. Pete wasn't such a bad fellow. John turns to Diamond Dick and says "What have you got?" Replies Dick: "Oh, I was only bluffing".

"So you desire to become my son-in-law?"
"No, I don't. But if I marry your daughter, sir, I don't see how I can get out of it"

Small boy (saying his prayers): "And please make me not be kept after school. By the way, I've mentioned this before".

DAY-HOPPING

Things seem to be moving along fairly well in the softball league with the exception of the weather man taking a bath most every day. The turnout of the day hops was better than expected, however, there is still plenty of talent floating around the study hall that should be out there chucking away. Pile out, day students, and support your team; we can take that league.

Crawley's "Anheiser-Buscher's" or the "A and B Specials" in their first game steamed into Harding's lads and emerged with their sails trimmed, but considering the margin of victory and the score of some of the other games, the day hops have more than an even chance to cop honors in the standings.

And about that 42 inning battle between the two study hall nines. The game progressed to a splendid finish, but the celebration following was not so favorable for a certain chap. A fair coed passing by during the heat of the scramble when the said chap was prancing around trouser-less was heard to remark, "Why is that T. R., who would have ever thunk it?" who said clothes don't make the man?

Just as certain as the days are growing warmer, just so, the interest in that study hall baseball nine is increasing. Prospects have been considered and a probable line up has been selected as follows: outfielders, Iang, Kirts, Cobol, Brouillette, Clancy, Crawley, Walkowiak and Richwine; first base, Burdick or Cooley; second, Deslauriers; short, Smith; third, Dressler; catcher, O'Connell and for pitcher, Baron is the only prospect that has yet turned up.

It is hoped that the day hops can work in a few games before vacation with Roy hall teams. That challenge issued by the freshmen day mongrels to the upperclassmen of the study hall for a baseball game in the near future has been duly accepted. A suitable date will be selected as soon as possible.

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When the subject of an intra-mural track meet was brought up among the day hops it was given a cool reception. And that's one of the mysteries of life for there's always a track meet in the study hall.

Headlines of Other Days: Lester Soucie, alias "no can take Soocs" walks into study hall picking the plaster out of his hair. He was studying in the library... Drassler eats enough breakfast... Sobol refuses second helping... Walkowiak gives barber a break... Nothing new about "Dangerous Dan" Devine though, doggonnit... Heinle prefers blonds, yes sir.

Two members and the director of the St. Viator Glee Club took part in the drama of Monsignor Hugh Benson "The Upper Room", presented by the Senior class of St. Joseph Seminary, Kankakee in the school hall, April 6 and 7. Miss Gertrude and Miss Genevieve Bedard were in the chorus of eighty five that were a part of the drama, and Miss Harriet Gillette played the 'cello in the orchestra.

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Spring Practice Begins

INDEPENDENTS CLOSE SUCCESSFUL SEASON; WIN 12 OUT OF 15 GAMES

Captain Nolan, Shukes, Karr High Scorers In Last Game; Herscher 37, Indees 31; Church Tournament

The Roy Hall Independent Basketball team closed its season by participating in the Church Tournament which was recently held in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium at Kankakee. The record established by this year's team is the best in recent years. In the fifteen games played, the Roy Hall boys were able to win twelve of these. One of their defeats coming in the second round of the Church tournament at the Y. M. C. A. Statistics show that the local squad rang up a total of points greatly in excess to the sum of the opponents' markers.

Competition Strong

There were no set-ups to be found on the Indee's schedule this year, and among their opponents were some of the finest independent groups in and about the city of Kankakee. Among their most prized victories were those scored over St. Rose and St. Patrick's of Kankakee, both high ranking teams in the C. Y. O. league in the Kankakee district. They also scored decisive victories over strong squads representing Chebanse, Stockton, Herscher, Ashkum, Bourbonnais, and St. Stanislaus. Two of the three defeats suffered by the Roy Hall squad were administered by the Bradley C. Y. O. team, who won the championship in that organization in Kankakee this year. One of these losses was by a single point.

Anderson Coaches Squad

At the beginning of the season the team was in the hands of Ralph Karr. But later it was taken over by Don Anderson who carried on the good work where Karr had left off. Nolan, who captained the team, played fine ball, and was especially outstanding during play in the tournament. His running mate, the other forward, was Shukes, who should easily develop into real Varsity material in a very short time. Maguire and Sullivan figured in many of the victories during the season, and Kelly and Turner did well holding down guard positions. Joe Bomba played at center position most of the year and did creditable work there. McNally playing the pivot gave some fine exhibitions in over-hand and over-head shots. Joe Farrell playing at forward scored heavily during the season, and made points when most needed. All in all this year's squad was one of the finest aggregations of its kind ever turned out here at Viators.

The Church Tournament

In their first game in the tournament at the Y. M. C. A. the Indees found themselves up against a strong Chebanse quintet. But after the game had gone three quarters, the locals took the lead and held it to the finish. The final score read: Roy Hall 33, Chebanse 32. The outstanding players in this game were Captain Nolan, Shukes and Ralph Karr, who was recruited from the Varsity for tournament play. Nolan led the scoring with 13 points and Shukes was close behind him with 10 markers. Karr's defensive play was flawless.

The second opponent to be dealt with was a fighting group from Herscher, who boasted an outstanding center of great height, Sauer, and a "hot-shot" forward in the person of F. Bower. The burden of this battle therefore, lay upon Bomba and Karr. But they could not complete-

ly stop those two boys, and the final score was Roy Hall 31, Herscher 37. Sauer hang up 15 tallies, and Bower dropped in four field goals. But the thrilling phase of this game was the remarkable spurt made by the Indees in the third quarter of the game. At the half the score stood at 21 to 5 against them. Less than four minutes after the third period starter, the score stood 22 to 21 against them. Again, Captain Nolan and Shukes led the Viator team; Nolan with eight points and Shukes with 12 points. There was no disgrace in this defeat. Our team made one of the finest come-backs ever staged by a group on the hardwood. Their showing was praiseworthy; their record enviable. We are proud of them; to the man, and as a team.

PRESIDENT HOLDS TWO FARM MEETS

Fr. Maguire Discusses Farm Measures

Deeply concerned because so fundamentally affected by the new measures for farm relief sponsored by President Roosevelt, there is a nation-wide movement on foot which farmers are sponsoring in an effort to better their present unfortunate condition so out of keeping with their dignity as members of the one industry fundamentally necessary to the support of life. The efforts of the President are being supported for it is understood that he has the interest of the farmer thoroughly at heart, realizing that unless the status of the farmer is improved there can be no real economic recovery.

Fr. Maguire Speaks

Twice within the last month large numbers of farmers from the surrounding country have gathered in the auditorium of Roy Hall to discuss the presidential measures. Each time the Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., President of the College, has led the discussion. His experience derived from many years of working for the betterment of the laboring conditions, together with the experience obtained from his association with the legislatures of various states seeking favorable labor legislation, and his work as a teacher of economics have given Fr. Maguire a breadth of vision that places him among the leading economists of the country.

Supports Relief

Always interested in cooperative movements among farmers, which he believes to be the only means of securing their economic strength, Fr. Maguire is giving his whole-hearted support to this present movement and the measures which the President has instituted as the first step toward agricultural improvement. For though these measures are fraught with doubt as to their success, their importance lies in the fact that they constitute a trail blazer. The President, if he sees them ineffectual, will certainly improve them immediately.

At present, plans are being made for the presentation of The Mikado at the Kankakee High School Auditorium the week of May 21. The work is progressing rapidly with full rehearsals every day.

SPORT-SHORTS

Bill Gibbons gone Hawaiian. Playing sans boots, san socks.

"Don Juan" Laffey sliding into second base, having a ripping time; to be exact, ripping his "ol' blue corduroys" in twain.

Doc Meany, "the Big Bam", socking that "apple" for a close to perfect average, and playing every day on a different team.

Gus Harding umpiring most of the games, and demanding the respect of all involved, but hardly getting such. Oh well! Such is the life of an umpire, Red.

Max Marek behind the plate for Ed Hunt's team, prompting the umpire and no back-talk either (by the umpire).

Chuck Peyton still trying to perfect his throw from center field to the plate (and still unsuccessfully). "Beak" Rutecki accepting fifteen chances to date at third base, with a record of fifteen errors.

Max Marek is scheduled to act as judge at some local boxing show in the near future. Jack Elder, former Notre Dame star, will officiate as referee at the bouts.

Emerson Dexter, the grunt and groan star of the campus, was unsuccessful in his opening bout in Little Nineteen competition recently. However, he is not discouraged, and welcomes anyone interested to work out with him some afternoon at the gym.

Soucie, who played in the Intramural Basketball league, also played in the Championship Grant Park team recently in the Church Tournament at the Y. M. C. A. in Kankakee. And we noticed quite a group of the fair sex quite enthused about "that little Soucie fellow on the Grant Park team".

To date, Laffey and Nolan are undefeated in the Indoor league, each having won two games. But competition is close, and it is too early to make and predictions as to who will wear the crown when the last game has been played.

Talk concerning an inter-class track meet and field day is dying out. Here's hoping that the original plans for this event proposed by Father Harbauer will be carried out. We are anxious to determine the fastest men on the campus (on the field, not in the parlour). There will be some fast competition in the 100 yard dash, with Karr, Westray and Fuchs among the outstanding runners.

The style of the Indees basketball team was somewhat cramped in that miniature gym at the Y. M. C. A. The small size of the floor accounts for the large scores established in the tournament games there. The Roy Hall boys didn't do so badly themselves, ringing up 38 points in their first game, and coming back with 31 markers in their second tourney contest. Nolan and Shukes did most of the scoring in both games.

After the Easter holidays the "tennis bugs" will be seen serving 'em up on the outdoor court. Some of the more ambitious ones have already undertaken to level off the court. All youse guys looking for fast competition will find it in the person of J. Burke Monahan. If you're looking for a set-up, see his roomie, Ralph Edson Hoover.

COACH CORCORAN'S CALL TO BEGIN FOOTBALL TRAINING NOBLY ANSWERED

Large Number Of Recruits Appear On Field; Members Of Regular Team Out In Full Strength

S. V. C. SORORITY PARTY—APRIL 29

Cards And Dancing; At College Refectory

The petition for permission to hold another of their popular card and dancing parties on April 29 has been submitted by the Social Sorority to the College Council. While the answer has not yet been given it is probable that permission is assured. The party will be advertised on the campus before the date assigned.

Refectory Scene

As usual, the refectory is chosen as the place. The more appropriate size of the dining hall makes it more favorable for such a party than the gym and the facilities of the kitchen are indispensable. A large crowd is expected, and has never failed to appear at these functions in the past. They provide adequate entertainment for otherwise socially restricted Saturday evenings. The necessity of remaining on the campus makes the resident students fair game for the designs which the Sorority has on their nickels and dimes.

The admission to the card games and dancing with a lunch for good measure, is only a quarter of a dollar. The price of admission is no indication of the real enjoyment these affairs have provided in the past, and which the next one is sure to afford in a fortnight from this evening.

SPRING OCCASIONS CAMPUS PLANTING

With the coming of spring Rev. Richard J. French, C. S. V., Dean, supervises the spring planting on the grounds of the College. Fr. French, whose keen interest in gardening is evidenced by the care taken of the campus, is noted for his ability as a landscape gardener. It is to him that the classic beauty of the drive and its environs is largely due.

The center of interest in the landscaping is the geometrically perfect composition of walks and flower beds that is directly opposite Marsile Hall. Last year this was improved by the planting of fir trees that contrast beautifully in their northern staunchness with the softness of the weeping willows and the groups of flowers.

The many flowering shrubs that blossom at different times during the season are most charming, and when the lilacs, with all their fragrance and quaintness are in bloom, the campus assumes the appearance of the old world. The other most attractive feature of the planting is the unusually beautiful group of iris that borders the open lawn leading to the refectory. The colors of these "fleur-de-lis" are sufficiently varied and rich against a background of green to form a lovely picture.

The Senior Class will hold a meeting April 20 to decide on the all important matter of having photos taken for the final issue of the VIATORIAN. They will be taken the week of April 23 and copies provided immediately for the purpose of having cuts made.

Due to the extremely wet weather that we have had so far this spring spring football has been delayed with the exception of about five practices. After the vacation the real work will begin and both players and Coach Corcoran are eagerly awaiting that time. As there is not to be a baseball team this year it will give Corcoran and his men nearly a month of drilling in preparation for the coming football season. They intend that hard luck breaks are not going to defeat them next season, as it did this year, if practice and hard work means anything.

New Comers

There are several newcomers trying out this spring. Gene Ryan of Chicago and Tommy McCarty of Rock Island are candidates for guard positions, and Skedel of Joliet is an aspirant for a quarterback job. Spring football is a splendid chance for men who desire to do so to learn the Notre Dame system, and the above Frosh are to be congratulated for their zeal in coming out. Coach Corcoran issues an invitation to anyone interested in football to appear for practice after the holidays, everyone is welcome with the exception of the coeds, although Corcoran sometimes states his belief that the coeds would be better groundgainers than his regulars.

"The Old Guard"

In Corcoran's spring line we see several well known faces. Dexter at center, Tackles Kelly, Hiter, Wren, and Kunze, Ends "Cedric" Gibbons, Bomba and Peyton. The guard positions are open but it is expected that Roach who turned in very good ball for Corcoran last year will fill one of the vacancies.

The backfield composed of Fuchs at quarter, Bernard at full back and Westray and Harding at the halves seems to be the regulars, but those familiar with Corcoran's plan of no man considering himself a regular, consider the second backfield equally as strong. Here we have Abney at quarterback, Corcoran at full, and Murgatroyd and Flynn at the halves. Corcoran, alternated at full and half-back last year. These backfielders are expected to give plenty of worry to opposing lines in their games next season.

There has been no real hard work so far in the spring session. It has consisted mostly of calisthenics and two or three laps around the field, followed by signal practice. Line Coach Anderson spends some time every day teaching his line to charge and in showing the newcomers that he really knows the system the team uses. The line under his capable tutelage last year showed promise of being the strongest in the conference, and this year they should be the main contenders for that honor.

The "Green Wave" is expected to go places next fall and if the enthusiasm and pep the boys are showing in their spring training means anything, these expectations will be fulfilled.

The Glee Club will appear in a program lasting half an hour, before a meeting of the Rotary Club of Kankakee to be held at the College refectory, May 16.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Art Of Thinking ERNEST DIMNET

By Joseph W. Mahoney

After reading "The Art of Thinking" by Ernest Dimnet, I feel for the first time in my short existence on the earth that I understand the purpose of life and the happiness and contentment it holds for me if I but prove willing to develop my mind. Even the most ordinary person cannot help but realize that true happiness and success is possible only through thought. I unhesitatingly place this book in a class by itself for it has enabled me to understand the value of thought as a means of acquiring culture, knowledge and education. It does not offer the reader a short cut to the wealth of this world, but it opens a new vista, a road that leads to mental power and satisfaction by suggesting ways of throwing off mental lethargy. As Abbe Dimnet suggests, he has written this book to help the reader to think his best and thereby live his noblest. It is particularly appropriate reading for the Freshmen in College. It serves to provide him with a clear and definite purpose in the field of intellectuality to be attained in the course of his collegiate career.

The object of this interesting volume is the production of thought. When we have learned to think we have learned how to make our life beautiful and useful. If every American college youth would spend several weeks reading and absorbing the knowledge and information contained in this treatise on thought, I am sure he would understand that the purpose of our existence is to seek knowledge and culture. He would forget the materialistic side of life and give more time to the "art of thinking".

"The Art of Thinking" is divided into four parts. The first is "On Thinking". It points out the criteria for estimating thought and shows the influence of thought upon the world. Abbe Dimnet proves that great thinkers have imagination, personality and stand out in a crowd. Further on the author states that vision and devotion to truth are some of the characteristics of a thinker.

"Obstacles To Thought" is the title of the second part of this volume. It covers the causes of inferiority complexes and obsessions, how mental parasites are produced and is a criticism of educational methods and systems. A good portion of this section is devoted to a criticism of American methods of education. The author believes that the Americans devote too much time to athletics and the study of subjects that will enable the student to be materially successful in the commercial and industrial world. "Mere play is taken too seriously in the United States" Fr. Dimnet claims, "at the cost of mental and cultural advancement".

Part three treats of "Helps On Thought". The writer shows the reader the worth of solitude, both exterior and interior, as an aid to thought. In these pages many ideas are given on the value of good reading. The author advises the reader to study and absorb those books that give the most pleasure. The importance of the daily newspaper as current history and how to read forms one of the enjoyable discussions of this section. Fr. Dimnet strongly urges that whenever we read we should take notes as a means of retaining the knowledge we gather from good books.

Creative thought is the final division of this exceptional piece of literary work. Here we find that the

root of mental creation is the idea. Ideas of our own can be found and developed by the simple process of being ourselves, not posing or acting a part in life that belongs to others. We must learn to make the best use of our own faculties, to find ourselves and to speak and write in our own vein.

I am not familiar with the life of Ernest Dimnet, but after reading this book, I can say without a knowledge of other literary works he has produced that he is a writer of merit, a philosopher, a lover of art and a linguist of ability. The ease with which he speaks of Aristotle, Voltaire, Chesterton, Dickens, Spinoza and other great men of Thought, Philosophy, Art and Letters evidences the deep culture that is his. But in his writing Dimnet proves that he has put into practice the wisdom that he teaches, particularly in the realm and art of thinking.

The author's ability of expressing his thought in language that is at once clear and simple as well as magnetic is his chief claim to notice. He stimulates the mind and holds the interest. Using the words of the writer his expressions are like "flowers" and the ideas contained in them are "rare thoughts". After reading "The Art of Thinking", I feel that I may learn to live my life on a higher plane. I recommend it to all Freshmen as a kind of mental housecleaning and intellectual adornment. It will give a definite purpose to study, and with a clearly defined end to be attained the process of education is, if not half completed, certainly well begun.

Thompson's Essay On Shelley

CYRIL GEO. PECKHAM

Like the musical babbling of a brook—in this manner does the Thompson description of Shelley come to our ears. The style of Thompson was distinctively his own. It came from his "tumbling amidst the stars" as did Shelley's. He has been described as the Catholic Shelley. There are many similarities common to both men, and this essay shows the deep sympathy that Thompson felt for his fellow poet. He possessed something that was lacking to Shelley—the truth. He was guided in his poetry by the same power that had given to Dante definiteness because of his certainty in revelation, but then Shelley had greater power of language and could express his great thoughts in language clear as limpid waters on a summer day that reveal the colored stones and golden hued fishes at the bottom of a pool lying open to the sun. The thought of Thompson soared to such heights that human language was unable to express them, and this accounts for the obscurity in some of the most exalted passages in his poetry. But in this essay on Shelley his language has the easy flowing movement of a country brook in the summer time. As one could sit on the bank of a stream and listen to the rippling of its waters so one can sit at the feet of Thompson and listen to his stirring description of Shelley:

"He dabbles his fingers in the day-fall. He is gold-dusty with tumbling amidst the stars. He makes bright mischief with the moon. The meteors muzzle their noses in his hand. He teases into growling the kennelled thunder and laughs at the shaking of his fiery chain. He stands in the lap of nature, and twines her youthful tresses after a hundred wilful fashions, to see how she will look nicest in his song".

According to Francis Thompson Shelley could use imageries, mythological terms, similes and all such embellishments so artfully and skillfully that in his ordinary conversation

he employed them without the slightest effort.

Thompson attributes this rare gift to the fact that Shelley was always a child. In his youthful years he suffered many sorrows which he endured by himself. He foresook the companionship of his fellows and strove to forget these sorrows in the only way known to children—Dream-land. In this way he passed his youthful years, so that when he had entered manhood he was still essentially a child. From this fact Thompson concludes that we will never have another Shelley for it is hardly probable that we will have another man who is so completely a child at heart.

"Know you what it is to be a child? It is to be something different from the man of today. It is to have a spirit yet streaming from the waters of Baptism; it is to believe in love, to believe in loveliness, to believe in belief; it is to be so little that the elves can reach to whisper in your ear; it is to turn pumpkins into coaches and mice into horses, lowness into loftiness, and nothing into everything, for each child has his fairy-god-mother in its own soul; it is to live in a nutshell and count yourself the king of infinite space:

To see a world in a grain of sand,
And heaven in a wild flower,
Hold infinity in the palm of your hand

And eternity in an hour:
It is to know not that you are under sentence of life, nor petition that it be commuted to death".

Thompson points out wherein Shelley is a child:

"He has the child's faculty of make-believe raised to the nth power. He is still at play save only that his play is such as mankind stops to watch, and his playthings are those which the gods give their children. The universe is a box of toys"

"He plays truant from earth, slips through the wicket of fancy into heaven's meadow, and goes gathering stars".

Francis Thompson says that one of the chief faults of our present poets is that they search too much for the best word and this "frequently results in loss of spontaneity and still worse the habit of taking the most ornate word, the one most removed from the common language". Again, he advises poets to be prose writers also, lest continually writing poems they lose all trace of the common language. The fault with our modern poets is "the predominance of art over inspiration, of body over soul". "An age that is ceasing to produce a child like children cannot produce a Shelley. For both as poet and man he was essentially a child".

But Shelley is no more. While rowing upon the placid waters of a lake in Italy, the land where he went in his endless search for peace and contentment—never the lot of great genius, his poetic soul transfixed by the beauty of nature, he did not heed the mummings of an angry tempest looming upon the horizon. As the beauty of nature fed and nourished him from the cradle—so now the violence of nature claimed him as her own in recompense for the lavish gifts bestowed upon him.

The essay of Thompson is one of the most beautiful tributes in language ever given a man. It is a living thing breathing with the love and the genius of the author and the subject. It is English prose at its most inspiring and beautiful—prose that only one with the soul of a poet could write.

The Freshman class, April eleventh, held a solemn meeting for the purpose of forming plans for the annual Freshman Frolic that features each post-Easter calendar of social activity. Their industry and originality promise a very successful dance.

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cil, in contrast to the "bear arms" phrase of the Brown Daily Herald petition. The Council is using the former terminology in order to include the women's colleges within its scope. In this case, to "participate in war" must be taken as the equivalent to "To bear arms" or actively to support the Government on the battlefield or elsewhere in the destruction of the enemy. It must be understood that the pledge is binding upon the individual student only in so far as he wishes to make it so; if he continues his refusal to bear arms at the time of declaration of war, he subjects himself to whatever penalties the Government may choose to inflict. His signature on this petition, in the form of a warning to the Government, does not involve him in legal difficulties unless he persists in his refusal in time of actual war.

I should like further to remark that the possibility of service in an international police force under the League of Nations is not involved in either form of the pledge. As many who take the pacificist stand believe firmly in the necessity for an international police force to maintain order in the world community, they are not to consider the present petition as referring to any military service other than the present national forces of the United States.

Charges of "Communism" and "Socialism" are already being hurled at the Brown Daily Herald for its action in launching this non-participation petition, and are certain to be repeated against the Intercollegiate Disarmament Council. I need not point out that such efforts to appeal to popular prejudice are grossly unfair and unwarranted. So far as I am familiar with the Communist doctrine, I believe that it does not welcome pacifism, certainly not in regard to class war. Whatever may be the personal inclinations and affiliations of the officers of either the Brown Daily Herald or the Intercollegiate Disarmament Council, neither organization is in any way officially related to the Socialist Party. We hope that American undergraduates will be permitted to vote freely upon this vital issue, without the complication of unjust accusations against the sponsors.

The second part of either pledge is essential to its validity, for support of every effort to provide a stable and peaceful society in the positive side of non-participation in war. The responsibilities of the pledge, "to work actively for the organization of the world on a peace basis", are even heavier than refusal to bear arms, for the prevention of war is the primary and most arduous task of the peacemaker.

I trust that students on every college and university campus in the United States will support the Brown Daily Herald and the Intercollegiate Disarmament Council in securing this unparalleled expression of undergraduate attitude toward participation in war.

ALUMNI WRITING FOR COMMONWEAL

Fr. Lynch And Dr. Ellis Contribute Articles

Two Alumni former members of the faculty of St. Viator College have recently had articles of their's appear in The Commonwealth, Catholic magazine of current political and cultural thought. They are the former dean, who left St. Viator last year to study at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D. C., Rev. T. J. Lynch, and John Tracey Ellis, Ph. D., last year head of the History Department and now teaching at St. Teresa's College in Weno, Minnesota.

CHOIR ORGANIZES IN HOLY WEEK

Choristers To Continue Remainder Of Year

The St. Viator College Choir which last year was a very effective organization formed by Rev. Eugene Suprenant, C. S. V., directed by Brother Bernard Mulvaney with Brother John Stafford as organist lapsed into oblivion at the beginning of this year, for Brother Mulvaney and Brother Stafford had gone to Washington D. C., to continue their studies at the Catholic University. The St. Bernard Hall choir has furnished the singing for High Mass each Sunday.

New Organization

The services of Holy Week required particular work on the part of the choir. Brother Louis-Philippe Senesac undertook the task of reorganizing the singers for this season. He was assisted by Kenneth Bushman as organist. The results were so successful that plans are being made for the revival of at least one of the four Masses sung last year to use for the remainder of the semester. For this purpose the "Stella Matutina" Mass of Carnevali will probably be chosen. It is a particularly beautiful composition and one well suited to the new choir. While it will be impossible to replace either Brother Stafford and Brother Mulvaney, both of whom were accomplished singers, or Brother Emmet Walsh, C. S. V., the new choir retains many of the members of last year, as well as some new voices of merit, so that it will not want for talent thus ensuring its success.

I. C. RAILROAD TO RECONSTRUCT SPUR

The Illinois Central Railroad Company in answer to the call of spring for renewed activity has undertaken the task of reconstructing the tracks of the spur which runs from the main line a mile east and over which coal is brought to the power plant of the institution.

Tradition has it that once an engine was derailed while on a visit to the College. The need for sturdy tracks is strongly felt. This explains the presence of neat groups of new ties that line the route "over there".

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Country Club

It was the desire of the class that the dance be held at the Country Club of Kankakee. However, the proposed date of May fifth was taken, so the following Friday, May twelfth, has been chosen as the time. Nothing is more lovely than a night in May for a dance, especially when it is given at the very romantic and beautiful Country Club.

Orchestra

The orchestra has not been definitely engaged as yet, but it is understood that Barney Faletti will be secured. Whoever it will be, the Freshman class is determined that the music will be of the best available. At the present time, indications are that the Freshmen Frolic will be the only class dance of the spring, so every student should make every effort to attend what must be the best dance of the year.

Rev. Michael O'Connor, C. S. V., formerly not a citizen though for some time a resident in the United States has now received his full naturalization papers. The VIATORIAN congratulates Bro. O'Connor.