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FRESHMAN FETE COLLEGE CLUB AT 4th SMOKER

CARD GAMES WERE MAIN ISSUES OF EVENT

Following the example of the upper-classes the Freshmen acted as hosts for the College Club members at the fourth and final smoker of the season on Saturday evening, April 9th.

After chapel the College Club members repaired to the club room where music and singing whiled away the time until the tardy arrivals made their appearance. When all were gathered, card games, mainly five hundred, became the only issues of the smoker. There were a few select games of pinochle and euchre going on, but they were mild affairs compared to the spirited and reckless bidding that marked the five hundred contests. When the smoke of battle had cleared away, when all arguments had been quelled and scores collected and added, the prizes were awarded to Ernest Miller, John Herbert and Joe Swenie. A new spring tie was added to Ernest's stock of haberdashery. Johnny Herbert, winner of the second prize, had his toilet accessories augmented by the addition of a tube of shaving cream. Joe Swenie, captor of the ignoble "booby" prize, also had his toilet accessories increased by the addition of a small bottle of Listerine labeled "A Friendly Warning". During the card games cigarettes were generously distributed by the hospitable Freshmen.

Refreshments were next in order and here the Freshmen displayed their originality and foresight to both in their choice of palatable foods and in their determination to serve the guests at table rather than resort to the cafeteria mode. This prevented a considerable amount of confusion that marked the other smokers when the "cafeteria style" of serving was observed. There were generous helpings of cake and ice cream and steaming cups of piping hot coffee for all.

While the more industrious members of the Freshman class occupied themselves with the task of cleaning up the remains of the feast, the remainder of the assemblage were treated to some rare and artistic acting. Art Armbruster and Warren McClelland gave imitations of anything and everything. Their interpretation of the classic dances would have been a credit to the Denis-Shawn troupe. And Oh! how Art can imitate the noise made by a butcher sawing the bone out of a piece of liver! The assembly adjourned about eleven o'clock after the most enjoyable evening of the series. The Freshmen smoker was a fitting climax to the long season. This smoker was the first opportunity given to the Freshmen to demonstrate their ability as hosts and entertainers. All will agree that the smoker was a huge success and that the Freshmen proved themselves to be munificently hospitable hosts.

DANTE ITALIAN CLUB TO FETE NOTED WRITER

COUNTESS LISI CIPRIANI TO BE GUEST NEXT WEEK

The Dante Alighieri Italian Club will hold its annual public meeting next Wednesday, and will have as guest of honor, Countess Lisi Cipriani, Ph. D. She will be accompanied by Doctor Monaco, President of the Italian Chamber of Commerce of Chicago.

Countess L. Cipriani belongs to an old noble Catholic family of Florence. She is a scholar, a writer, an artist and a social worker. She has to her credit some successful research work in the Romance Sources of Chaucer and Shakespeare. Her book, "A Tuscan Childhood", is well known and loved and her poems are highly spoken of. Countess L. Cipriani has been actively interested in helping all emigrants to understand American civic ideals and has endeavored to make it possible for them to come in touch with the best elements in this country. She plans to sail for Italy, where she will give a series of Pro-American lectures.

All students interested in the study of modern foreign languages will be welcome at the annual public meeting of the Dante Club.

The meeting will be opened by Prof.

BOSTON COLLEGE DEFEATED BY ST. VIATOR DEBATERS

DECISION OF TWO TO ONE GIVEN BY JUDGES

The Tuesday following the Viator-Northwestern debate brought another such contest to Kankakee. Boston College of Boston, Massachusetts, included St. Viator College on their itinerary and provided the competition for the second debate.

Hon. A. L. Granger, Kankakee attorney, was chairman of the debate. He explained the formalities of debate and introduced the speakers. The judges were: Hon. John P. McGorty, Judge of the Superior Court, Chicago; Mr. William H. Holly, Attorney at law, Chicago; and Hon. Arthur W. Deselm. Mr. Maurice LeClaire, alternate debater for the Viatorian team, acted as time keeper.

The St. Viator team for this debate was composed of Mr. Warren J. McClelland and Mr. John W. Stafford. In this contest the Viatorians upheld the Affirmative side of the proposition: "Resolved: That the Eighteenth Amendment Should Be Repealed." Boston College, represented by Mr. William H. Marnell and Mr. Joseph B. Doyle, upheld the Negative. Mr. McClelland opened the debate with, as one of the professors was overheard to say, a beautiful speech. His presentation was filled with well founded statistics and of pleasing climaxes which added emphasis to his argument. Mr. William Marnell of Boston College was the first speaker for the Negative. Mr. Marnell is what we would call a finished debater. His discussion, though, coherent, complete, and praiseworthy, was almost undoubtedly extemporaneous. It was presented in a scholarly and interesting manner and was all the more fascinating because of the "Eastern" inflection in Mr. Marnell's speech. Mr. Stafford responded for the affirmative. He was even better in this debate than he had been in the one the week previous, although there could be no criticism of his work in that affair. Mr. Joseph B. Doyle presented the final constructive speech for the Negative. He too was an excellent debater and his argument proved to be quite interesting.

After a five minute interval for consultation the rebuttal speeches began. Boston College presented the first rebuttal. Mr. McClelland followed with the Affirmative rebuttal. After Mr. Doyle had responded with the final rebuttal for the Negative, Mr. Stafford dealt the fatal blow which was probably the most potent factor in determining the final decision of the judges. Mr. Stafford's rebuttal revealed the fact that the Boston College team had not even touched one of his most powerful contentions.

When the judges had turned in their decisions it was found that St. Viator had won by a two to one vote. Enthusiastic applauding followed the announcement of the decision. Boston debaters were as sincere in their congratulations as were any others in the hall.

This debate was more satisfying to many in the assembly than the previous one had been and this for two reasons. A decision, and a pleasant one at that, was given and the debate was not so long as the one preceding.

Mario Ch. Mascario, who will speak on "The Technique of Studying a Modern Language."

Following will be speeches in Italian by the different members of the College and High School classes:

A. J. Nolan — Rockford "The Forest City."

W. J. McClelland—Bloomington "The Ever-green City."

M. T. Legris — Bourbonnais "So Great and So Small."

J. Smith — The Past and The Present of Manteno.

G. Collins — Frankfort and its Shoe Factories.

F. Paris — Rome "The Eternal City."

A. Cardosi — Florence "The Cradle of the Italian Language."

J. Martoccio — Spring

V. Cinquina — The Best Seasons of the Year.

L. Martoccio — Italy.

W. Beard — The United States of America.

Countess L. Cipriani will close the meeting with a lecture on "The Subconscious in Art and Literature."

DANCE GIVEN BY SOPHOMORES GREAT EVENT

LARGE SOCIABLE CROWD ATTENDS

In one of the most enjoyable social events of the year the Sophomores demonstrated their originality and hospitality at the dance held last Tuesday evening. The event was a success both socially and financially. Many participants report that they enjoyed the dance more than any other that was held this year.

The dance was held in the College Gymnasium. The Gym was tastefully decorated with pennants and streamers which added color and relief to the brown tile walls. The lighting effects were improved by the use of a spotlight located on the running track.

Music for the dance was furnished by Ray Wolfe's Orchestra of Kankakee. The orchestra included eleven musicians who doubled on various instruments. Nearly all agree that the music far surpassed that of previous dances.

The crowd began to arrive about 8:45 p. m., and increased steadily until ten o'clock. The gathering was large, congenial and concordant. Many out of town visitors were present as the day, up until about ten-thirty o'clock had been warm and inviting. Many undertook the trip to the college from distant points. Late in the evening a sudden thunderstorm arose and lasted for some time. The storm was conveniently placed, however, for most of the people had arrived before it began. By the time the last dance had been played there was little to remind anyone of a storm save the wet roads and other incidental conditions.

SPANISH CLUB ENTERTAINED BY L. DROLET

SPANISH MUSIC WAS FEATURE OF EVENING.

On Sunday evening, April 3rd, the Club Espagnole Cervantes was admirably entertained by Miss Leonie L. Drolet at her home at 124 N. Indiana Ave., Kankakee. The members of the Club; Professor Perez, Miss Marie Beaulac, Messrs. Michael Delaney, Simon Legris, Rudolph Garza, Edward Campbell, Joseph Swenie and Francis Carroll, arrived about eight o'clock. The earlier part of the evening was spent listening to several records of Spanish music, among them the popular "La Paloma."

Later the members of the Club amused themselves by playing five hundred and bridge. An elaborate luncheon was served. The refreshments were very pleasing to the members and added greatly to their already jovial mood. During the luncheon Professor Perez entertained with topics concerning the religious situation in Mexico. He also explained many important parts of the "bull fights" in sunny Spain.

Hold Important Meeting
The Saturday following Miss Drolet's party, the Spanish Club held a very important meeting. The meeting was called to order by the chairman and Miss Drolet read the minutes. After the business of the meeting had been dispatched a program of several selections was presented by some of the members. Miss Drolet first entertained with a story. Michael Delaney followed with a poem. Rudolph Garza supplied the music for the program. The remainder of the meeting time was spent at playing a Spanish game in which the whole class joined.

FRESHMEN! NOTICE

The urgency of many important matters which require prompt attention makes it imperative that we hold a meeting as soon as possible. Hence, we must meet Friday night, April 29th to discuss and decide various questions. Our dance will take place in the very near future. In fact, only a few days separate us from it. It is essential, therefore, that we hold this meeting. It is furthermore essential that this meeting have the attendance of the entire class. Everyone must be present. Day-students are especially urged to come. Remember! Friday night at eight o'clock in the College Club Room.

BENEFIT DANCE FOR DEBATING TEAM MAY 6TH

TO BE HELD IN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL

We have all seen the splendid work accomplished by Father Maguire and his debaters in Kankakee and the success they are having on their tour of the East. The members of the team have met and gained decisions over some of the foremost teams in the East and certainly have done much to boost the scholastic standing of St. Viator College. Their good work demands our attention and more than that our whole-hearted support in enabling them to continue and to complete their schedule.

A tour such as the debating team has taken involves many expenses including railroad fares, hotel bills, and other expensive items. The team has been guaranteed some of their expenses by the various colleges they have met but these guarantees do not begin to cover the total expenditures involved. For this reason, the Harmanians, desirous of advancing the scholastic facilities of St. Viator, are running a semi-private dance at the Knights of Columbus auditorium in Kankakee on May 6th.

Last Monday night, April 25th, the Harmanians played at the Knights of Columbus for the Catholic Daughters of America, who have agreed to give the benefit dance their firm backing. Father Maguire was moderator for this organization for some time and it was mainly for this reason that the guild has promised its support.

The students are all asked to help in the selling of tickets for this event and particularly to be out in full force themselves. Students should purchase their tickets before the sixth.

This is probably the first dance of this nature to be held by a St. Viator College organization. The Harmanians, our one and only jazz orchestra, ask the whole-hearted support of every Academy and College student.

FRESHMEN TO GIVE ANNUAL DANCE MAY 18

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN COMPLETED.

Tentative plans for the Freshman Dance have been made at the two recent Freshman Class meetings. Although the decision is not definitely fixed, the date for the dance will probably be May 18th. This date is the only one open on a busy program of social and athletic activities during the month of May. Thus far the arrangements for orchestra and decorations have not been completed, but it is certain that the Freshmen of '27 will not allow the standard set by previous Freshman classes to fall.

In past years, the Freshmen dance has always been the most successful dance of the year. The date this year, however, is considerably later than it had been in former years and the promoters of the dance will have a great amount of competition to overcome. The late home-coming of the scholastic year '26—'27 rather forced all the subsequent dances off the regular schedule with the result that the Freshman dance of this season will be nearly a month later than usual. However, with hard work on the part of the Freshmen and whole-hearted support from the College Club and the High-School Department, there is no reason why the dance should not be successful.

FINAL EXAMS TO BEGIN IN LAST WEEK OF MAY

As a timely warning we are publishing the dates of the final examinations as nearly exact as is possible at this early date. From present indications, it may safely be assumed that examinations for the College Department will begin on Friday, May 27th, which is the day following Ascension Thursday. The examinations will continue through most of the following week.

For the High School the final examinations will begin during the week of June 6th. Class day exercises for the High School will take place on Monday, June 13th. Commencement exercises will be held on the day following.

DEBATING TEAM JOURNEYS EAST FOR 8 CONTESTS

MEET MANY OF THE BEST CATHOLIC COLLEGES

On Tuesday, April 19th, Father Maguire with four debaters left on a long trip in the east, in which eight of the best Catholic colleges in the country are to be encountered. Mr. J. Allen Nolan, Mr. James T. Connor, Mr. John W. Stafford and Mr. Maurice LeClaire were the debaters chosen for the journey. The representative team had remained at the college during the entire Easter vacation working hard on their arguments and, under Father Maguire's peerless guidance, had perfected splendid arguments, both pro and con, on the two propositions, namely: "Resolved: That the Eighteenth Amendment should be repealed" and "Resolved: That the United States Government should adopt uniform marriage and divorce laws".

The first contest scheduled on the itinerary was with St. John's College, Toledo, Ohio. This debate took place the night of the 19th. Five judges had been appointed for the engagement. However, one failed to appear and the final decision of the four remaining judges was a tie. It was undoubtedly a disappointment to both teams that no decisive answer was received from the judges. The Viatorians were especially disappointed to have had such a result on their first contest.

The following day the debaters met St. Xavier College team at Cincinnati, Ohio. The debate was a close one with fine work on both teams. The St. Viator team was victor with a two to one decision.

The Catholic University at Washington, D. C., was next on the list. There was opportunity for a little rest before this debate inasmuch as the debate was scheduled for the 22nd, two days after the St. Xavier contest. The Viatorians exerted every effort in this argument but lost. The decision of the judges was two to one in favor of the University. Mr. James T. Connor was outstanding in this debate by his splendid rebuttal.

The debaters leisurely journeyed from Washington to New York City during the three succeeding days. Last Monday they met the Manhattan College debaters to whom they lost in a very close contest.

Providence College at Providence, Rhode Island was the next opponent of the Viatorians. Providence gained a decision over the visitors much to everyone's disappointment. The East is evidently a hard place to gain a decision when one is defending prohibition.

Last night the team debated with Boston College. This was the second time the Viatorians had met the Boston debaters.

Tonight Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass., and the St. Viator team debate. Tomorrow, for the last debate of the tour, the Viatorians meet Union College, Schenectady, N. Y.

ORATORS BEGIN CONTEST TODAY

NAVAL DISARMAMENT IS THEME OF ORATIONS.

The preliminary try-outs for the Oratorical contest began today. The subject "Naval Disarmament" is a vital issue in present day politics and will no doubt have attracted many to the contest.

The oratorical contest is an annual affair at the College and is open to all the students of the department. The award, a gold medal given by an interested benefactor, is highly prized and coveted by the contestants.

The final orations will probably take place in the Knights of Columbus Hall as usual. They are scheduled for May 4th, but on account of conflicting activities the date will probably be changed. The bulletin boards will announce the exact date.

Essay Contest Papers In

Saturday, April 23rd, was the last day of grace for the participants in the Essay contest. A large response to the notice was pleasing to the faculty. "The Church and State in Mexico" is the subject of the Essay contest.

Reports on the contest are anxiously awaited by everyone. It will be impossible to know anything definite, however, for some time. Since the contest was compulsory to all English students of the Sophomore, Junior and Senior years the number of papers is quite large. Not a few Freshmen also took this opportunity to try for the Essay medal.

VIATOR MEETS
NORTHWESTERN
IN FIRST DEBATE

FIRST INTER - COLLEGIATE
DEBATE WELL ATTENDED

On Thursday evening, April 7th, the first inter-collegiate debate of this season took place when St. Viator College Debating Team met the varsity team of Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. A large, attentive crowd assembled in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Kankakee to hear and witness the contest. Both faculty and students were well represented and the good attendance of the general public was gratifying.

The proposition: "Resolved: That the Eighteenth Amendment Should Be Repealed," was the subject of the debate. Northwestern upheld the affirmative and St. Viator the negative. Hon. Arthur W. Deselm, Judge of the Circuit Court of Kankakee County, had been appointed chairman for the evening but a sudden indisposition in the form of a severe cold necessitated his absence. Mr. T. R. Johnson, a prominent attorney of Kankakee, acted in his stead.

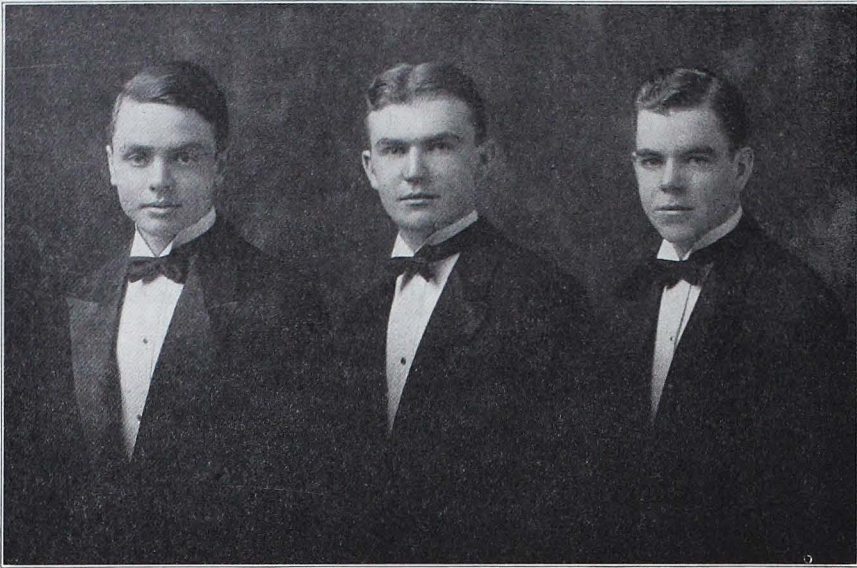
The Northwestern debaters opened the argument. Mr. Robert Howlette was the first speaker for the affirmative. Mr. Howlette first acknowledged the hospitality of his hosts. His following argument was given in splendid scholarly style. Mr. John W. Stafford delivered the first constructive speech for the Viatorians. After welcoming his opponents, he went quickly into a carefully prepared set of statistics that presented overwhelming facts. Mr. Don K. Carter was second speaker for the affirmative. His style was easy, flowing and interesting. He devoted the greater part of his argument in attempting to refute the statistics presented by Mr. Stafford. Mr. James T. Connor followed with a truly unique argument for the Negative. His illustrated speech was both instructive and convincing. Mr. Stanford Clinton, third speaker for the Northwestern team, remarked in his opening address that he had never before met with such an extraordinary and convincing argument as the one just completed. By way of explanation it might be added that the Northwestern debating team was at that time on an extensive tour and had met many of the best teams of the Middle West. Mr. Clinton's compliment, therefore, meant much to the assembly. The final constructive speech was delivered by Mr. J. Allen Nolan. Mr. Nolan, a polished orator and debater, was wisely chosen by Father Maguire for the final speech. Mr. Nolan's clear, pleasing voice, his precise diction, together with his splendid, convincing argument held the audience almost rigid for the entire speech.

A five minute interval was allowed between the final constructive speech and the opening rebuttal. This interval gave the debaters an opportunity of conferring among themselves, and of consulting their data. The Viatorians opened the rebuttal speeches. There is no doubt but that the Negative debaters surpassed the Northwestern team in the matter of rebuttals. Messrs. Nolan, Connor and Stafford evidently made good use of the five minute interval before the rebuttals, for their speeches revealed preparation and exactitude.

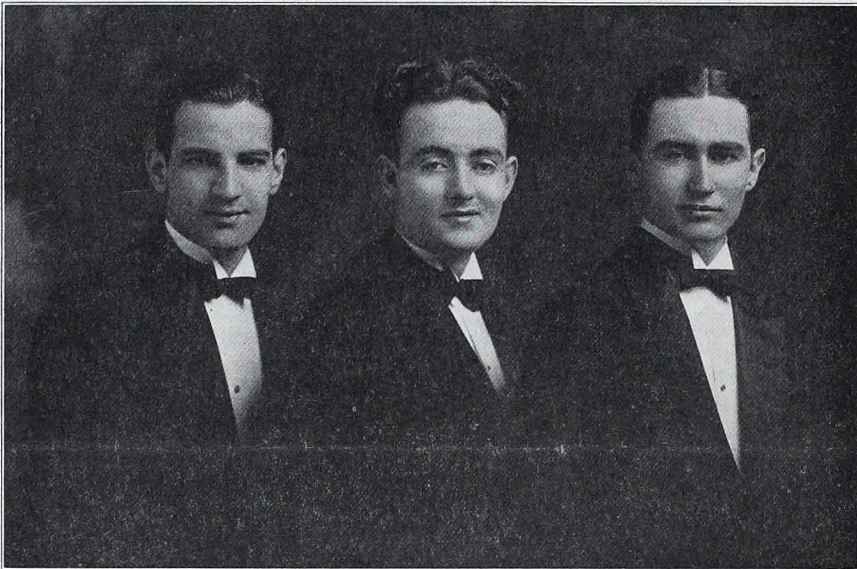
It would surely have been gratifying to the assembly and, no doubt, to the debaters, to have had a decision rendered on the debate. However, previous arrangements provided that there be no decision, so the winners of the debate remain unknown.

Previous arrangements also provided that the audience be given the opportunity to question the debaters of either team regarding any subject relevant to the proposition. Several questions were asked of the teams. In most cases the answers were satisfactory. One gentleman in the audience rose and asked that the assembly give a rising vote of appreciation to the debaters. His suggestion was heartily carried out and the debaters were loudly applauded.

St. Viator College Debaters



Mr. John W. Stafford, Mr. J. Allen Nolan, Mr James T. Connor.



Mr. Warren J. McClelland, Mr. John T. Ellis, Mr. Maurice Le Claire.

WHEN A FRESHMAN
NEEDS A FRIEND

Ten years ago the freshman was initiated into campus life by one grand brawl. He was treated like a savage by savages and came to the natural conclusion that a freshman at college was the least desirable of mankind. By the time the freshman attended his first class he was broken in body and in spirit.

This year the freshman was treated as the most popular person at the university. Mixers, dances, and assemblies were given for his sole benefit. He was welcomed by the president and the deans. The churches made him feel at home and the fraternities prized his friendship.

What a more receptive mind the new student is in by the gentle and sincere introduction to college today than by that of ten years ago! Instead of carrying a bruise in his heart, he has thankfulness toward his newly made home.

—The Daily Iowan

WHY PROFESSORS
GET GRAY

These are some of the reasons:

The bluffer. The boy with the loud voice and empty head. The fellow who took the course before . . . The sweet little co-ed who doesn't know what it's all about, but who needs at least a B in the course. The silent bird who might have something worth while to say but who keeps this something hidden. The collegian who hasn't read that far in the text and attempts to stage a filibuster and throw the class off the track. The deadly serious young radical who knows only that he's radical. The equally serious young conservative who believes only what his grandfather believed. And the boy who is taking the course just for the credit. The sleepers don't count unless they snore.

Four years of class discussions have given us sympathy for the professor. No wonder he gets gray.—Ohio State Lantern.

THE MOVIE
STUDENT

There has fallen upon us an epidemic of moving pictures portraying, or rather purporting to portray, the life of the college student, all done in the best Hollywood manner, for the edification of the Mollys and Susies of the box factories and Rudolphs and Harolds of the soda fountain.

All is erist which comes to the movie mill, but all is not flour that leaves it. Rare indeed is it to find a class or profession honestly portrayed by the bigots who pander to the public's passion for entertainment. For years we have been familiar with the movie clergyman with the sanctimonious expression and the appearance of having just eaten a green apple; we all know the movie Canadian who always speaks broken English and wears fringed deer-skin leggings, moccasins, and fur cap; the movie cowboy, the movie bad man, the movie sheik are as familiar to us as our own doctor or dentist. And now to that vast throng of movie characters has been added,—the movie college man.

The miniature world of the university is one of which, at the best, the man in the street has but the vaguest impression, and those features of college life with which they are in any way familiar have been so distorted in their presentation that the impressions they convey and the ideas they conjure up are far from the truth. In the cinema the university is portrayed chiefly as a place where football and other sports are the chief aims of undergraduate existence, and where the football player is always the most popular man in the university. The rah rah boy is almost as familiar a stage type as the monocled English aristocrat, the fat German butcher, or the mercenary-minded son of Israel. Trousers baggy, slouch hats, no garters, brilliant socks; yes, we are collegiate! And all this movie portrayal of the college man is having its effect on the general public and molding their ideas as to what the university student is like; witness the atrocities advertised every day in the downtown store windows and the newspapers as "very collegiate." All this of course does little toward enhancing the honor in which university students are held.

We hope, however, that the universities will not have to adopt the drastic measures the Hudson Bay Company found necessary. This concern found that their business was being injured by the constant portrayal of their factors as villains of the deepest dye. Accordingly they threatened with prosecution for slander, defamation of character, and anything else that came to mind any moving-picture concern that showed their factors as anything else but honest. Since then all employees of the Hudson Bay Company have been the soul of virtue.—The McGill Daily.

OVERDEMONSTRATIVE
LOYALTY

Next to mother love the most sacred form of affection known in America is that of love for the alma mater. But in what opposite channels these loves flow: how gentle and sweet the former; how violent and destructive the latter!

At Columbia University goal posts were torn down by ecstatic rejoicers when beloved alma mater emerged victorious over Cornell University after many years of defeat. The police were ineffectual in the face of a mob of frenzied lover. At Michigan "during a pre-rally game the yearlings, evidently heated by their enthusiasm, attempted to rush several theaters in Ann Arbor, one of the theaters turned in a riot call when the throng tried to force its doors, and the police threw gas bombs into the midst of a mob, which not only effectively dispersed the freshmen but resulted in injuring some of them." Massachusetts Institute of Technology students rioting at Harvard Square wrecked automobiles, broke windows, and caused damage to the extent of several thousand dollars. Five students were arrested. One student died from injuries received during a general riot between students of Baylor University and Texas A. and M. College after a football game.

Somehow, this touching affection should be diverted into gentler channels.—The New Student.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

The roller-skating fad has reached St. Viator's. Just why or how we don't know. It seems that the fad has had its inception in various large universities throughout the country. Some say that this mode of transportation is a humane effort to prevent the extinction of cows and calves. Others add that it is quite useful in the event that the boys might have to skate home after a good old automobile ride.

The Academy men were the first to adopt the rollers. However, for once the College department is copying the other department and many College men are flashing around on the skids. As you know, each skate has four wheels, but no brakes. Some of the sharp curves of the walks on the campus are proving to be the undoing of many of the skaters. A few days ago Fat Carroll was seen to crash into a tree rather than spread himself on the side-walk. Zenis Lemna was lamed as he sprawled nicely on the way to the refectory. Scratched hands, torn trouser knees, and other marks bear evidence of disaster to many of the skaters. During the rainy weather when the side-walks were wet and often muddy the "Black Bottom" was not uncommon. Some of the skaters are trying to inaugurate a movement to have the outfield of the Senior League Diamond cemented so they will not be obliged to go to the trouble of removing their skates.

At the debates held thus far in Kankakee, preliminary contests often occurred before the debate started. These preliminaries took place outside of the hall and the nature of the debates was not relevant to prohibition. These preliminary debates concerned the matter of buying tickets to the evening's contest. Evidently most of the visitors were under the impression that the admission was free. We are sure the visitors were not disappointed for the College debates were the most brilliant ever staged in Kankakee.

Wally Walkowiak returned late from his Eastern vacation bringing with him a crippled foot in which he had received an infection. He also brought back very elaborate and extensive reports concerning a certain heart infection (or affection if you wish). He anticipates an interesting summer.

"Jay" Watson, whispering: "Say, Larkin, what is that frightful scratching in your room? Is it a dog trying to get out?"
Larkin: "Naw, that's Ward writing a composition."

Dunne says that Freehill is so lazy that he breaks his cigarettes in two so that he will not have to pull the smoke so far.

Tom Rogers returned to school a day late displaying the old reliable doctor's certificate. We wonder when Tom will think up a new one.

Doyle and Provancher, two Viatorian Globe Trotters, attempted to journey to Bloomington but were reported lost in the wilds of Northern Illinois. However, they managed to pull into Kankakee weary and footsore after fruitless waving and shouting on the highway.

Marty Slintz returned to school last Monday claiming that he had to have some work done on his teeth. We hope that neither the teeth nor the story are false.

Donahue and McCarthy, occupants of room 215, held a grand opening celebration Saturday night. No casualties were reported.

Far be it from us to scandalize, but we have received information from a reliable source that a certain foreign language professor at St. Viator College was seen on roller skates. Not mentioning any names, we must inform the student body that the language taught by this professor is quite prevalent in a country bordering the U. S. on the south. The Prof's. name does not begin with an X or Y or an apostrophe S. Now form your own conclusions.

NORTH AMERICAN
MARTYRS

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Our American missionaries next turned to the West. In 1661 Father Menard projected a mission among the Sioux west of Lake Superior, but, losing his way in the forest, he either died of starvation or was killed by roving Indians. Father Allouez continued his work and soon the country of the Great Lakes echoed to the preaching of the missionaries. The evangelization of the Mississippi valley followed. The Miami, Illinois, Yazoo, Arkansas, Natchez, and other tribes were won over and before long, the blood of martyrs and labors of missionaries united the French missions of North America with the Spanish missions of the South.

Countless other men have sacrificed their lives for this glorious work, but the knowledge of these proto-martyrs will suffice. May their most heroic lives, and their powerful intercession spur us onward to the attainment of worthwhile things in life and lead us safely to our one eternal destiny.

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Our North American Martyrs

By RAYMOND BOYSEN

America is still a youthful nation. Discovered barely five hundred years ago, it cannot point to a long career among the nations, nor to a list of glorious names reaching back to the dim ages of antiquity. Yet on her scrolls are inscribed such names as Washington, Franklin, Lincoln, Roosevelt, names of which any nation might be proud. These and similar great Americans have conferred honor on their country and have increased its prestige among the countries of the world. But far greater, though not written on the scrolls of time, far more distinguished, though not in the halls of fame, are other names written on the banners of Heaven, and are other men raised upon the altars of our churches—the martyrs of North America. Since these men then are so glorious, and so eminently worthy of our admiration, it would be well that we consider the story of their heroic labors and sufferings.

The first of our American martyrs attained their glorious crown in New Mexico only fifty years subsequent to the discovery of America. They were two Franciscans, Father Padilla and Brother John of the Cross, who accompanied Coronado in his expedition through the valley of the Rio Grande and remained to labor among the Indians. While traveling to the town of Tuivera they were both pierced with arrows by a band of roving Indians. Other Franciscans soon followed these fearless men. Many sank beneath the Indian tortures but their places were filled by others and before long whole tribes were converted to Christ.

The Franciscans, Dominicans and Jesuits combined to carry the spiritual conquest into Florida. Here the ardent zeal of three generations of martyrs received its recompense and the Seminole of Florida, as one, embraced Christianity.

In the North, the Jesuits and the Recollets of France devoted their lives with heroic fervor to the winning of souls. The first American mission was founded in 1611 among the Abenaki in Maine. This peaceable tribe was easily won over and the mission long maintained its vigor and fervor. After the fall of Acadia, however, the English spread fire and death throughout this country. The missionaries were driven out, churches destroyed, and the Indians deprived of all consolations of the faith. Father Rale, long an object of venge to the English, was finally surprised at his mission and killed. So firmly, however, had the faith been grounded into the hearts of the Abenaki that they persevered in their sufferings and even to this day remain Catholics as their forefathers were for centuries.

From 1625 to 1650 our missionaries labored among the Hurons, and the Iroquois and here we behold our most glorious martyrs. The "Five Nations" of the Iroquois engaged in almost perpetual war with the Hurons. After twenty-five years they could boast of having overcome the Hurons, but not until they had also cut down nine Jesuit missionaries. The first of these martyrs were Father Jogues and Rene Goupil. While traveling in the Huron Country, they were surprised and captured by the Mohawks. After being beaten senseless, their nails torn out and their fingers gnawed to the bones, they were hurried into the Iroquois country. As they passed each village they were forced to run the fearful gauntlet, and were dragged to the scaffold where they were bruised, burnt and tortured, their wounds being opened with awls and the hair of their beard and head pulled out. Tied to the ground at night, they writhed in vain to escape the hot coals thrown on them by children. Rene Goupil, the bosom friend of Jogues, was finally killed when he was discovered tracing the sign of the cross on an Indian child. Father Jogues, however, remained a captive for fifteen months. He learned their language, performed seventy baptisms, and had dreams of converting this fierce tribe to Christ. Amid his sufferings and trials, he was filled with a holy joy. Carving the name of Jesus on the trees, he longed to imprint it in the heart of the redman. A new plot on his life, however, made him finally consent to escape with the Dutch in New York from whence he returned to France. The mutilated hero, inflamed with love for souls, soon returned to his Indians. During a short period of peace in 1646, he was sent to the Iroquois, this time as their missionary. No sooner had he entered their midst, however, than he was cut down by a tomahawk. Thus died Father Jogues, the first missionary to the Mohawks, who by suffering and heroism more than by his labors prepared the way for the triumph of the cross and the conversion of the warlike tribe.

Father Bressani, who was sent to labor among the Hurons in 1644, suffered a like fate. His party fell into an Indian ambush and was captured. After seeing one of his companions devoured before his eyes, Father Bressani was conducted to an Iroquois village and obliged to run the fearful gauntlet. His hands were next slit open between the fingers, and he was tied to the scaffold to be tortured. Pricked, burnt, mangled, his body was soon a living wound. Several fingers were cut off, his hands and feet burnt and hacked twenty-six times. Led to another town, he again ran the gauntlet and was hung up by the feet in chains. To crown all, when tied down almost naked to the ground, food was laid on his body and hungry dogs set upon it until he was torn and disfigured by their teeth. His undressed wounds soon

filled with corruption and worms. Unable to use his mangled hands, he almost perished from hunger for no one would give him anything to eat. He literally walked a living death. After he had become an object of disgust to the Indians, he was finally given to the Dutch who, in their mercy, sent him to France. Canada, however, was still the choice of this hero and he soon returned to labor among the Hurons. His death took place in Italy after a life of heroic labors.

The terrible fate of Father Jogues did not dismay his associates. Soon after, Father LeMoine in his turn braved the fury of the "Five Nations". After many vicissitudes the missionaries, impelled ever onward by the love of God, touched the breast of the fierce Iroquois and founded a Church, glorious in the annals of Christianity, a church with its martyrs, apostles and holy virgins, a church which even in our time has been instrumental in converting the distant tribes of Oregon.

In the meantime, other Jesuits were making great progress among the Hurons. After the short peace in 1646, the Iroquois proceeded to exterminate this once powerful nation, and in doing so, they martyred six of our most glorious missionaries. The first to fall in the struggle was Father Daniel, fresh from his retreat at St. Mary's and all inflamed with love for souls. When the invading Iroquois attacked the mission of St. Joseph's, he remained with the defenders to baptize and give absolution. The town having been overcome, he came forward to meet the invaders. Like the soldiers before Christ, the savages at first recoiled from his approach then, recovering their courage, riddled his body with a shower of arrows.

The news of this disaster spread terror throughout the Huron nation and town after town was abandoned. John De Brebeouf, father of the Huron missions, and Gabriel Lalemant were next to win the martyr's crowns. They remained to prepare the defenders for death, and when the Iroquois assaulted the town of St. Louis, were captured in its conquest. After tearing out their nails, the victors brought them to a settlement called St. Ignatius. The missionaries entered the town only by the fearful gauntlet with blows raining on them from a double row of warriors. When they were next exposed on the scaffold, the fearless Brebeouf excited the courage of his Huron converts by reminding them of the glories of Heaven opening before them. Infuriated by these words, the Iroquois began the torture. Each was bound to a stake. The hands of Brebeouf were cut off, while pointed irons were thrust into every part of Lalemant's body. Red-hot hatchets were next thrust under the armpits and between the thighs of the sufferers until the glowing irons withered and consumed to their very vitals. Amid this excruciating agony John De Brebeouf, fearless and unconquered, continued to console his converts. The Iroquoise, maddened with rage, crushed his mouth with a stone, cut off his nose and lips, and thrust a burning brand into his mouth until his throat and tongue refused to function. An infernal idea next seized the wretches. They would baptize him. While some danced around like fiends slicing off his flesh to devour it before his eyes, the others placing a cauldron on the fire, "Echon" cried the mockers, "Echon, thou hast told us that the more we suffer here, the greater will be our crown in Heaven, Thank us then for we are laying up for thee a priceless one." Scaping him, they thrice poured scalding water over his head. The eyes of the martyr were now dim. Life was quickly ebbing away. Unable to wring from his lips one single cry of pain, in a fury, they hacked off his feet, clove open his breast, and, tearing out his noble heart, devoured it. Thus died Father De Brebeouf like his Divine Master, after three hours of frightful torture. The real founder of the Huron Mission, he now reigns one of the most glorious martyrs in the annals of our Church.

Overcome with mingled grief and admiration, Gabriel Lalemant had cast himself at the feet of Brebeouf to kiss his glorious wounds. The savages, tearing him away, wrapt him in bark and set it afire. As the flames curled round his delicate frame, he lifted his arms in agony to implore the aid of Heaven. Gratified by this expression of pain, the tormentors prolonged his suffering the night through. His flesh was devoured before his eyes or slashed off in wanton cruelty. Every inch of his body was charred and burnt; his very eyes were put out by live coals. Finally closing his martyrdom by the tomahawk, they left his body a black and mangled mass.

The Iroquois now brought their war of destruction into the land of the Tionattates. Here Father Garnier was surprised at his mission and shot down. Mortally wounded, he dragged himself to a dying Huron to give him absolution and then fell over him, a corpse. Another Iroquois had driven a tomahawk into his skull. Father Chabanel, his companion, made good his escape, but while making his way along to St. Mary's he was killed by an apostate Huron and his body thrown into a stream. Thus ended a career in which he had persevered against the utmost repugnance and total lack of all consolation.

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Sappho

By M. M. MURPHY

Sappho, one of the leaders of the Aeolian school of lyric poetry was the first great woman poet in the history of antiquity. It was unheard of in ancient Greece that a woman should come into public prominence. Her social and political status were very low, women being even prohibited from attending the state festivals and games. Yet it was at this time that Sappho, "the tenth Muse", came forth to thrill the ancient world with her songs and to place herself on the pedestal occupied only by Homer.

She was born about 612 B. C., either at Eressos or Mitylene in the island of Lesbos on the north Asiatic side of the Aegean Sea. The actual facts of her life are legendary. A few histories of her have been written by several old writers, among which was one by Chamaeleon, pupil of Aristotle, but unfortunately these have all been lost. She came from a noble family, her father, according to the most probable opinion being Scamondronymus and her mother Cleis. Her father died when she was six years old but her mother must have lived until Sappho began to write poetry, for a reference is made to her in one poem. The poetess had three brothers, Charaxus, Larichus and Eurgyrius. Nothing is known concerning Eurgyrius since Sappho never mentions him in her writings. She praises her brother Larichus, who held the aristocratic office of cupbearer in the Prytaneum to the highest officials of Mitylene, but violently upbraids Charaxus for having ransomed from slavery at a high price, the courtesan, Rhodopis at Nauaratis in Egypt. He had migrated thither after the founding of the city, about 650 B. C., with many Mitylenaeans and had become engaged in the wine trade.

Sappho, herself, remained at Lesbos, where the surroundings would naturally incline one to the artistic and to lyric poetry. As has already been stated, women did not enter into the public life. This was true for all parts of Greece except in one or two islands, as Lesbos. The Lesbian ladies mixed with the men and applied themselves to literature and art with their brothers and husbands. The scenery of Lesbos in particular is most beautiful. We are not surprised then that this tiny isle could produce such as Sappho although the mainland of Greece looked on in wonder.

As we may well believe, the beautiful, gifted Sappho had many admirers. It has been rumored that among these was the great Alcaeus, — statesman, warrior and lyric poet. Among the bits of torn papyrus is still preserved the opening of a poem which he addressed to her

"Violet-crowned, chaste, sweet smiling Sappho,
I fain would speak; but bashfulness forbids."

We have also her spirited lines of reply:

"Had thy wish been pure and manly,
And no evil on thy tongue,
Shame had not possessed thine eyelids,
From thy lips the light had rung."

She must have written the following to a suitor younger than herself,

"Remain my friend, but seek a younger bride
I am too old, and may not mate with thee."

Sappho married a wealthy man by the name of Cercylas from the island of Andrus. She is supposed to have had but one child, a daughter, whom she named after her mother, Cleis. She must have been speaking of her daughter when she wrote the following:

"I have a maid, a bonny maid,
As dainty as a golden flower,
My darling Cleis. Were I paid
All Lydia, and the lovely bowers
Of Cyprus, 'twould not buy my maid."

Her wedded life was comparatively short as it is thought that her husband died when she was thirty-five. But she herself lived to a ripe old age, most of her life having been spent in teaching young women. The story of her having thrown herself from the Leucadian cliff when deserted by the ferryman Phaon is almost discredited at the present time. The black-haired and laughing-eyed Sappho must have been beautiful if representations of her in art are true but she was too sane to heed silly suitors and to hurl herself to death voluntarily. It must have been the courtesan Sappho with whom this legend is connected.

Indeed, Dr. Reinach, the French literary critic, has undertaken a careful analysis of all the evidence which goes to establish the popular idea that Sappho was of the class of loose women. His conclusions are in the form of a communication to the French Academy of Inscriptions and Belles Lettres, and have been made public in a recent issue of the Temps. Dr. Reinach attributes the misconception of the true character of Sappho to the writers of the comedy. The far off, enigmatical figure of the chattrons of Mitylene was readily seized upon. The woman, who stood alone, for the first time in her history, at the head of a school of music and poetry, who sang with such joy of life, such liberty of thought

The Small College

By ROBERT O. BARNETT

After a few weeks have elapsed thousands of Senior High-School students will have graduated and will be confronted with the problem of determining where they will continue their education. It is not the purpose of this discussion to assist the graduates in deciding whether or not they should pursue their studies further. The writer believes that there is no longer anyone who does not realize that the day of the "self-made" man is gone, that an essential of life in this day and age is College training; in short, that a College education is absolutely imperative. Rather, it is the purpose of this treatise to assist the graduate in determining the type of institution best suited for the continuation of his education. The problem of choosing the right school is a vital one and the amount of success attained in College rests largely upon the proper choice.

It is quite natural for a prospective College student to be attracted by large colleges and universities. The fame and glory of the large schools are widely known for the newspapers and newsreels daily record events that take place in the large institutions. Stories of the traditions and customs are surely interesting and enticing. These, and other attractions, readily turn the mind of the young high-school graduate to the desire of attending the large school. He fails to look to the educational benefits and facilities in his enthusiasm over the outward attractions.

The small college (and by that is meant an institution with no more than five hundred students, preferably less) with its multiple benefits is too frequently left unconsidered. The prospective freshman should carefully examine the advantages of the small college also has its benefits and merits. These may not be so widely known and famed as are those of the large schools, but it is certain that the small college has many merits, which, when considered thoughtfully and thoroughly, are not superficial, but are inherent, ever present, and invaluable.

It is a well known and deplorable fact that Freshmen in some large colleges and particularly in most universities do not receive fitting, opportune attention. They are often placed under the tutorage of young, immature teachers scarcely older than themselves. Students who are attracted to a university because of the presence of some great and noted professor are disappointed to find that he devotes most of his time either to the post-graduates or to research work. A passing glance of the distinguished professor on state occasions is perhaps all the student ever gets to remind him that the professor is actually present at the institution.

In the small college conditions are quite different. Freshmen are given careful, painstaking attention. They are taught by the best men on the staff so that their teachers, as a general rule, are superior to the men who teach the first year college in the university. The student's individual requirements are given careful inspection, and if he needs private attention, he can obtain it. He is in a position to master his subjects because he is in a sympathetic atmosphere. He is bound to advance for he has the opportunity of asking questions and of having his work corrected and criticized. The first year at college is the key-stone of all succeeding years. Unless some effort is made to assist the student to make a success of his first year, there is little probability of his continuing during succeeding years. This fact is realized and understood in the small school.

Most of these merits, although inherent in the small college, are absent in the larger institutions. Large classes, severe and complicated methods, make

personal attention almost impossible. Students in universities often mean no more to the school than a name on the register. It frequently happens that students go through whole terms without ever reciting. A professor who has to teach a class of two hundred or more cannot hope to reach all of his students. He could never begin to correct all the individual papers. The most he can do is to resort to the formal lecture. Presidents and faculties of large universities frankly admit that they cannot give the Freshmen, especially the younger Freshmen, adequate attention. Some officers declare outright that they do not want students "fresh from High-School". Young, somewhat irresponsible students have no place in the university for the larger freedom of the institution is for men, but not for the boy whose lack of self control must be supplemented by the oversight and direction of the College.

Probably the greatest advantage the small college has to offer for its students is that of the close contact and relationship between students and faculty. This advantage can never be overestimated. In order to have real, complete education, there must be close personal contact between pupil and teacher. The personality of the teacher must bear upon the personality of the student. This can never be possible where there are large classes. The students in small colleges have much in common with their teachers. Students meet and converse with their superiors. The impressions made upon the student by odd moments of association with his teachers are permanent and beneficial. This association is a reality in small colleges. It is an unheard of thing in large colleges and universities.

Although it may seem paradoxical to make such a statement, it is nevertheless true that students in small colleges make more lasting acquaintances and valuable friendships than do the students of the larger institutions. In the small college everybody knows everybody. There is everything in common among the students. They are as one. The friendships created are lasting and priceless. The university, on the other hand, with its thousands of students does not breed such friendships. At most a student cannot hope to make the acquaintance of more than a few of his fellows, for they are too scattered, their ideas are too varied, and there is too little in common. The almost illustrious "college spirit" for which many institutions are noted is often found to be present on the athletic field only.

Present statistics show that sixty percent of the students who enter large universities as Freshmen drop out before the beginning of the Junior year. This astounding fact can signify but one thing; the university fails to interest and hold its students. Please do not misconstrue the first statement. Note especially that the statistic directly specifies "the students who enter as Freshmen". The large graduating classes of our universities are largely made up of advanced students who enter the institution in their Junior or Senior year.

The small college, therefore, has more to offer the prospective Freshman who is desirous of laying a firm foundation for training in the professions than has the university. Such a Freshman will find that it is very much to his profit to consider well the advantages of the small college, for it is the small college which will prepare him to master any subject and to fill any post with credit. The high school graduate will do well to register in the small college. Once he has entered the institution and felt its congenial, sympathetic surroundings he will not be readily inclined to depart from its paternal walls.

and speech, such embarrassing frankness in the expression of those most intimate sentiments, baffled them.

The very work of Sappho proves her purity. Time has shown conclusively that noble art is born only in a noble mind. Her poems are without doubt great creations of art. Her writings are passionate but passionate writings are not always immoral.

The poetess left nine books and rolls of poems, the subjects of which were so various that they were arranged later according to metres, a book being devoted to each of the nine metres in which she wrote. The stanza used most frequently by her has been adopted by many poets since her time and is now called the Sapphic stanza. There remains, however, out of the wreck of time only one of her poems in its entirety, "The Hymn to Aphrodite," and another almost complete, that which is familiarly known from the translation by Ambrose Philips, appearing in The Spectator in 1711, as "Blest as the Immortal Gods is He." Only fragments of the other poems are extant, and these are very brief, owing to the fact that they were largely recorded by the ancient grammarians merely as specimens of Aeolic dialect.

The loss of the other poems is chiefly attributed to St. Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop of Constantinople. In order to replace earthly with heavenly love among his flock and protect the mind of youth he decreed the burning of all dangerous and erroneous writings. The figure of Sappho as a shameless bacchante had become so incorporated into literary history that those who undertook the above work could not reject her poems. He substituted for writings such as Sappho's, religious plays, which

have developed into the modern drama since those compositions known as mystery and miracle plays formed the seed of the great art which flourished in Shakespeare and Goethe.

Sappho's poetry may have also disappeared on account of its having been written upon wooden tablets covered with wax or on papyrus. The wooden tablets have all decayed while the papyrus works may yet lie buried. Fragments are being discovered occasionally. In 1914, some German diggers in Egypt found two new poems of Sappho's. It is believed that a stanza, or two, at least, must be missing from each as the emotional rhythm of the poems with their clear running depth of feeling is manifestly incomplete.

Most of the works have been found in waste-heaps of deserted villages. In some cases they have been discovered in Egyptian tombs, having been used to pack the body of the mummy in the coffin, keeping it from moving about. It often appears to have been placed in these tombs to supply reading matter for the departed spirit.

Their decipherment has been accomplished through the painstaking efforts of classical scholars. Notable among these is Professor J. M. Edmonds of Jesus College, Cambridge, England. It is interesting to note that the deciphering of these faded and mutilated manuscripts is a task of enormous difficulty, often causing impaired sight or perhaps nervous breakdown. Because of Sappho's great popularity, her compositions were subject to frequent handling; and this doubtless accounts for the fact that her fragments are more injured than are the fragments of other writers.

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THE FRESHMAN CLASS.

The first stage of a long journey through the labyrinth of College education has nearly been completed. A short retrospective glance over the past months of this, our first year in College, reveals accomplishments of which we may well be proud.

As a class we have established ourselves in no uncertain terms as a body of good students, forming the largest Freshman Class that has ever entered St. Viator College. Our numbers, while pleasing, are not our only glory. Freshman athletes have distinguished themselves in all sports. The coveted "V" sweaters are seen in Freshman ranks. In scholastic contests, we see a Freshman a member of the representative debating team.

As individuals, each must answer for himself various questions relevant to his Freshman year. Was it the success it should have been? Could more have been done? A close personal check-up may reveal past errors. A resolution to make more of the remaining months and of future years should follow.

We do not know what the future holds in store for us, but we do know that we can so mould ourselves now that the future will either be a success or a failure. By persevering we can go on to great things to realize our dreams and ideals. Statesmen, teachers, and churchmen of renown may have their beginning in some of the members of the class. It is within our power to place the class of '30 in golden letters on the annals of St. Viator College. This we can do by persevering in our work, and by increasing in application and assiduity.

Friendships, such as we have created within the class, are difficult things to break. They mean much to us now; they will mean more to us as time progresses. Let us go on for the entire course a body as complete as the one that started in '27. May the only change in our number of members be an increase. We are the largest Freshman Class that has ever entered St. Viator College. Let us also be the largest graduating class that has ever left the loved walls of the institution.

MOTHER'S DAY

Some of the finest poetry ever written has had for its subject the name 'Mother.' It has been the subject for countless sermons, speeches and stories. Mother has an individual meaning to everyone, but to all it means love, devotion, courage, and sacrifice. We experience her love from the cradle to the grave. It is mother who in time of trouble and trial shows greater loyalty and courage than any soldier of war can ever display. It is she who when all our friends disappear is by our side with words of encouragement and love, ever forcing us onward to greater deeds. Even when we ourselves have given up she it is who brings back our faith in ourselves and makes us realize the importance of trying again and again. To mother we owe our very lives. She has sacrificed her life that we might live, and live comfortably and wholesomely. She has watched over our welfare constantly, praying to God that we may be kept from harm, and in grace. During the month of May we set aside a day on which we honor our Mothers. On this day we are supposed to show our appreciation of all that she has ever done for us. But is one day sufficient for such a tremendous task? We can never return to her all the time she has given to us. We can not even express our feeling of appreciation, that we all experience, for her deeds of sacrifice and love. But there is one thing that we can do. That is to pray to God—as she has been doing for us all these years of our life—that she may be kept happy and that we ourselves may be kept from doing anything that may make us unworthy of all that she has done for us. Never for a moment does she doubt that we are doing our best, in avoiding all that is unchristian and seeking all that is Godly. Let us never do anything that will tear down this ideal which our mothers have set for us. We should so conduct ourselves so as never to cause her heartache or worry.

M. E. P.

MAY

May, the most beautiful month of the year, has been chosen by Holy Mother Church for devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, loveliest of creatures. How wisely has the Church acted in choosing May for this devotion! How symbolic of Mary, the source of all graces, is the month of May! May, with its sweet budding flowers, fragrant perfumed air, green plants pushing through the soft black earth to gaze for the first time on the life-sustaining sun, is indicative of the Mother of God for it is she who sends the flowers of hope and assistance into our lives: it is she who leads us along the beautiful fragrant path of God's service: it is she who lifts us from the depths of despair so that we may once more feel the sunlight of God's grace and love upon our souls.

Devotion to Mary is one of the most consoling features of the Catholic Church. When we are most desolate and discouraged we have always the knowledge that Mary our Mother is our willing advocate. If only we shall ask her, she will relieve us. It has been said that "Mary desires more to do us good and to impart to us graces than we can desire to receive them." St. Peter Damian says: "Mary is the treasurer of divine graces". Mary herself, in a vision to St. Bridget said: "However much a man sins, if he returns to me with a real purpose of amendment, I am instantly ready to welcome him; neither do I pay attention to the greatness of his sins, but the intention alone with which he comes. I do not disdain to anoint and heal his wounds; for I am called, and truly am, the Mother of Mercy."

We as students at a Catholic College and as young men facing a long struggle through life should have a deep devotion to Mary. She is our mediatrix, our hope, and our strength. She is "the beautiful olive tree from which the oil of mercy flows." She is our recourse in sorrow or in joy and at all times. Mary is the queen of the human race for she is the mother of our Redeemer. It is she who can lead us safely through the pitfalls of life and preserve in us all virtues.

Mary is the object of special devotion not only because of the spiritual gifts which flow forth from Heaven through her intercession, but also because of the temporal and material assistance which she can afford anyone who seeks her help. Let us then have a deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin throughout the coming month. Let us be more prompt and attentive when the bell rings for the recital of the Holy Rosary. Let everyone strive to attend Holy Communion daily during May. Let the May of 1927 set a glorious record for the number of Communions. In doing these things we shall call down upon ourselves and upon our institution priceless graces and benefits and will thus establish in Heaven a constant friend and mediator.—Selected.

SAPPHO

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They are torn, perforated and blotted. Sometimes the first or the last or the central words of a Sapphic roll are missing. Sometimes the ink is so faded that chemicals must be applied to restore it. Sometimes the camera must be used to help the eye in tracing letters that are either minute or almost missing.

Sappho has been used as a model or is borrowed from directly by many later poets. Her influence on literature has been great. Six different plays were written about her by the old Greek playwrights. Catullus and Horace, the Latin poets freely copied her, while in our own English language such artists as Byron, Shelley, Keats and Swinburne reach the Lesbian poetess. Swinburne is generally accepted as one of our greatest masters of poetic rhythm and it is said that his grace, beauty and force in use of words closely resembles Sappho's power in the same field. Translations of the originals have been given in English, Italian, German, French and Spanish.

Sappho has entered even into music. Operas have been proposed with Sappho as subject, numerous tragedies have been written about her in different languages and a victrola record has been made with a Sapphic ode.

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SEASON OPENED WITH TWO VICTORIES

SENIOR LEAGUE
BALL SCHEDULE
IS UNDER WAY

NO CASUALTIES REPORTED
IN FIRST SIX GAMES.

Senior League Baseball opened a few days before the Easter recess began. The line up of teams for this season includes two leagues of four teams each. It would be impossible to make any forecasts regarding the probable victor for all the teams seem to be very evenly matched. From present indications the league appears to be a success and will continue to be such provided the students will put away their roller skates and play baseball. There has been some talk of having the outfield of the Senior League diamond cemented so that the students may indulge in both pastimes at one and the same time.

With the completion of last Sunday's games only four contests of the first round had been played. Donahue, the mighty pitcher from Rantoul, twirled what some would claim to be a pretty exhibition in the game between Provancher and Smith. Smith, although not claiming to be a pitcher, went to the rescue of his own team and might have won the game if he had pitched the entire game. The final score read 10 to 8 in Provancher's favor. Doyle and Watson performed well for the Woofums.

The second game between Petty's team and Gallagher's Gas House Gang ended in a victory for the former with a score of 16-7. Tom Dunne performed like a real Bill Kamm in his fielding of ground balls. "Justy" McCarthy started in the outfield for Gallagher's team, but since Justy's chief characteristic is his ability to grow tired very easily, he soon grew tired of chasing fly balls and was brought into the infield. In the third game Joe Sweeney's Ham and Eggs proved their ability at striking out. One after one in each inning they walked to the plate, closed their eyes and swung at the ball three times, and returned to the dugout to resume their interrupted nap. Daly's team, on the other hand, was ever alert and emerged from the contest victors by the score of 14 to 1. The fourth game between McCarthy and May was more interesting than the former game. May's team, however, was superior and won the game by the score of 11 to 4.

The fifth and sixth games which took place last Monday were as interesting as the four previous ones. In the game between Provancher's Woofums and Daly's team, the former were victorious with a score of 8 to 4. Donahue pitched for the victors. Petty defeated May in a rather loose game. May must have rheumatism in his fingers and arms for he was unable to handle most of the balls coming in his direction. The final score was 7 to 2.

The Senior League baseball schedule should prove very interesting. Father Harrison has promised worthy prizes to the winning team and the already stiff competition is increased by that fact.

ACADEMY BASE-
BALL PRACTICE
BEGAN SUNDAY

SQUAD LOOKS FINE IN FIRST
TRYOUTS.

A large number of High School Baseball candidates reported for the first practice last Sunday afternoon. Father Harrison and Mr. Barrett, Academy baseball coaches, report that prospects for a good team are very promising and that they anticipate a very successful season. Graduation last year took a number of valuable men from the Academy but the vacancies left are being rapidly and satisfactorily filled. There are between twelve and fifteen games scheduled so the players will receive plenty of action during the season.

VARSIITY PLAYS
GREAT GAME IN
BLOOMINGTON

SISTECKY PITCHED GREAT
GAME.

Playing the best ball that they displayed on the entire trip the Viator nine gave the Bloomington Three I Leaguers a real battle and were only beaten out at the last part of the game by a score of 3 to 1. "Murph" Sistecky started his first ball game on the slab for Viator and certainly showed that he is a pitcher of high calibre. He allowed the leaguers nine hits and was especially effective in the pinches. Opposing Sistecky was another real mound artist in Kallina, a big left hander, who just returned from training with the New York Giants. Bloomington took the lead in the first inning when they scored one run as a result of three hits and a base on balls. Viator was unable to score until the third inning when singles by Delaney and Walsko, accompanied by an error gave them one run and tied the score.

All this time Sistecky was making a name for himself baffling the leaguers one inning after another. It was not until the eighth inning that the tie was broken and the winning runs were scored. In this inning Kallina led off with a triple and scored on a wild throw over third. Another run came in a little later on a base on balls and a hit. Then "Murph" again took charge of things and became master of the situation. It was a close ball game and a hard one for the college men to lose. Much of Viator's splendid showing was due to the brilliant fielding of Dalrymple and Benda. Jimmy and John both made some beautiful plays and were largely responsible for the good support given Sistecky. It was a splendid game and all who witnessed it said that Viator surely looked the part of a real ball club.

FRESHMEN CLASS
REPRESENTED
IN ALL SPORTS

IMPORTANT PART PLAYED
IN THIS DEPARTMENT

As we review the 1926-1927 athletic year at St. Viator, we are justly proud of the important part that the Freshmen have played in this department of the College. In all the major sports, the Freshmen have been ably represented. In football and basketball, the Freshmen members of these two squads have established enviable records and we have high hopes of their achievements in baseball.

When the call for football candidates was issued last fall about ten members of the Freshmen class responded. As the season progressed Francis Carroll began to assert himself as one of Coach McAllister's best linemen while in the backfield either Campbell, Haley or Evard ran the team from the quarter back position for a considerable number of games. Lassus, bucking a group of backfield stars, carried the ball for some good gains whenever he broke into the lineup. Dunne starred in some remarkable performances at the end position. Romary lacked in weight although he made up for it in nerve and ability. Rascher, the big center, was kept on the bench only through the consistent playing of O'Malley. When the season ended and the awards were given, Campbell, Dunne and Carroll were seen wearing the Maroon and Gold "V" sweaters.

When the basketball season opened there was an abundance of good material available and prospects were bright for one of the strongest teams that ever represented Viator on the hardwood. Among the men who survived the final cut were Campbell, Dunne, Evard and McCarthy. These four men fresh from high school triumphs proved that the higher class of basketball played in College circles held no terror for them. When Bowe discontinued his studies at Viator, Evard was placed at regular forward and was without doubt one of the Little Nineteen's best forwards as is evident from his selection by B. Young as forward on the third mythical conference team. Campbell was a tower of strength as the reserve running guard and held some of the best forwards in the conference to very few points. Probably Campbell's most brilliant performance was the St. Xavier game. Both Evard and Campbell were chosen on the 1926 All National Catholic team after the Loyola Tournament. Tommy Dunne played his most brilliant game against Bradley Tech of Peoria. McCarthy saw action frequently for short periods in various games. The red-headed Chicagoan made the regulars fight hard to retain their positions. Campbell and Evard were numbered among the 1927 basketweavers who received sweaters for their meritorious performance.

The baseball season is hardly more than started but already we see two Freshmen on the first squad, and a few other Freshmen are making the regulars work hard to retain their positions. So far Evard has succeeded in holding down the second baseman's position and there is all probability that he will remain at that position for the season. Ed "Murph" Sistecky is a speedy pitcher, mighty slugger and reliable outfielder. Father Kelly is grooming Campbell into the catcher position where he is already quite proficient. Tom Ferris, Weber and Brown are hard workers and good players and form reliable reserve material.

On the whole, Freshmen have played a big part in Viator athletics this year. Their achievements have been truly remarkable, and may well be regarded as important factors in the success of the two past seasons.

VARSIITY DROPS
CLOSE GAMES
IN ST. LOUIS

VIATOR 15; CONCORDIA 16;
VIATOR 8; ST. LOUIS "U" 9.

On the second day of their opening trip the Varsity met Concordia College at St. Louis. After a listless eleven inning combat, Concordia came out on the top of a 16-15 score. It was Viator's first defeat of the season. The Viatorians starred at bat, making seventeen hits off the pitchers Long and Mehl. However the invaders' numerous errors in the field caused their defeat. Mike Delaney was on the mound for the Viatorians and pitched a creditable game despite the fact that the score would seem otherwise. He held the Concordians to ten hits.

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HISTORY OF
VIATOR SPORTS
GIVEN TO CLUB

MR. DALRYMPLE COMPILES
UNIQUE RECORD.

Mr. James Dalrymple, an adopted alumnus and father of Jimmie Dalrymple, came through with another concrete expression of his interest in things Viatorian. This time it is an unique scrap book, which will preserve in a detailed and comprehensive manner, the history of St. Viator's athletics. It is a splendid addition to the furniture of the College club, and every college man expresses through this column his deep appreciation of Mr. Dalrymple's interest in our home affairs.

Incidentally, Mr. Dalrymple was at the Bloomington game last Sunday. His appearance at Viator's games has become so commonplace the boys feel part of their team is absent when he doesn't put in an appearance. Mr. Dalrymple has been at every contest, basketball, football and baseball for the last four years; i.e. every contest close enough to permit a busy business man to steal a day or two off from his employment. We thank Mr. Dalrymple for this latest, and best, and most colorful contribution to our happiness.

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Coach:—"What did you do with the money?"

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SPECIAL RATE TO
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WEST. NORMAL
AND CHANUTE
FIELD BEATEN

VIATOR 14; W. NORMAL 12;
VIATOR 12; CHANUTE
FIELD 0.

In a long drawn out struggle marked by numerous errors and heavy hitting Viator won the opening game of the '27 season when they set back Western Normal of Kalamazoo, Michigan to the tune of 14 to 12. Pete Harrington, sterling port slider, pitched a remarkable game considering the inclemency of the weather and the number of errors committed behind him. Jimmy Dalrymple and the fore mentioned Pete Harrington collected a half dozen bingles between them while O'Malley, Sistecky and Costigan treated the fans to some long distance clouting. Schrupp and Nester were the heavy clubbers for the Normal outfit while McCarthy, who replaced Johnson, did a nifty job at the backstop position.

Kalamazoo drew first blood in the opening inning when three hits coupled with two errors allowed three tallies to dribble across the plate after two men had been retired. The Irish first showed fight in the second frame when they produced eight runs from a mixture of hits, errors, and bases on balls. Undaunted by the commanding lead Viator had assumed, the Normalites continued their slugging tactics and at the end of the fifth held a 12 to 9 advantage.

In the sixth Harrington singled and Dalrymple followed with a double to place runners on second and third. Evard succumbed via the strike out route but Laenhardt came through with a timely bingle to score both runners. Kalamazoo now led 12 to 11. At this juncture Hagan replaced Kimball who appeared to be weakening before the Viator assault. He retired the side without further damage. In the seventh, O'Malley walked in on Costigan's lousy triple to raise the count to 12 all. In the eighth, after Dalrymple singled and was forced out at second on an infield hit, Laenhardt singled and both runners advanced while Benda was being thrown out at first. O'Malley's double scored both runners and gave Viator a 14 to 12 lead which they maintained until the finish. Umpire Cusack of Chicago handled the game in fine style.

Box score:

| ST VIATOR | WESTERN NORMAL |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| R H E | R H E |
| Dalrymple 2 3 0 | |
| Evard 2 1 1 | Van Lewen |
| Laenhardt 3 2 0 | |
| Benda 1 0 0 | Frendt 1 1 0 |
| O'Malley 2 2 1 | Numa 3 1 0 |
| Costigan 1 2 1 | Schrump 3 2 0 |
| Sistecky 0 1 1 | Nester 2 2 0 |
| Walsko 1 0 2 | Brotherston |
| Harrington | |
| 2 3 0 | Corbat 1 2 0 |
| | Johnson 0 1 0 |
| 14 14 6 | Kimball 0 0 1 |
| | 12 13 2 |

AVIATORS FALL

On the first day of the four day trip, the Varsity nine stopped at Rantoul and crossed bats with Chanute Field. The Viator men easily showed their supremacy and handed the aviators a nice 12 to 0 beating. Herbert was on the mound for Viator and not only pitched shut-out ball but did not allow a safe hit. Meanwhile the Irish with a collection of nine base hits, many of which went for extra bases, ran up a total of 12 runs in five innings. The day was one of those cold ones that make baseball miserable and after the fifth inning all bombardment was off and Coach McAllister called it a day.

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FROM OUR EXCHANGES

"He's a nice fellow but he's too loquacious."
"Not only that but he talks too much."
St. Xavier's Journal.

Prof.: "Get this in your head and then you'll have the whole thing in a nut-shell."
St. Vincent College Journal

First Student, on Sunday morning: "Anybody got change for a dime?"
Second Student: "Sure, and I hope you enjoy the sermon."
Univ. of Dayton Exponent.

"The reason there is no fire in some students eyes is because it is quenched by water on the brain."
St. Vincent College Journal.

"Are you Hungry?"
"Yes, Slam"
"Come on, I'll fix it."
Lakeside Punch.

"What do you think of prohibition?"
"Oh! Well, that's better than no liquor at all."
The Villanovan.

First She: "Who was that gentleman I saw you with last night?"
Second Ditto: "That was no gentleman, I'm a brunette."
Anselmian.

Student telegraphs father: "No mon, no fun. Your son."
Father replies: "So sad, too bad. Your dad."
Univ. of Dayton Exponent.

"If you put one hundred dollars in the bank at compound interest and leave it there for a hundred years—it won't do you much good."
Univ. of Dayton Exponent.

VARSIITY DROPS
CLOSE GAMES
IN ST. LOUIS

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After having evened up the score in the ninth with two runs, and again in the tenth with one run, the Concordians made three runs in the last half of the eleventh to overcome a two run lead the Varsity had piled up in the first half of the inning.

ST. LOUIS "U" NEXT

On the following day the Varsity battled the St. Louis University team on the University athletic field. After nine innings of uphill fighting the Viatarians lost their second game of the season by a score of 8 to 7. Both teams played good baseball in the field, two errors being chalked up against each team.

Espinda was on the mound for St. Louis and held the heavy hitting Varsity squad to nine hits which he kept fairly scattered. Harrington started for Viator, but was replaced by Herbert in the fifth inning. Herbert pitched splendid ball the remainder of the game, holding his opponents to two hits.

The Viatarians tied the score in the ninth inning with two runs but were denied the chance of forcing the game into extra innings when St. Louis gathered two hits and a walk for the deciding run in the last half of the ninth.

"I'm raising a mustache. What color do you think it'll be?"
"Gray, at the rate it's growing."
Anselmian.

Englishman (hearing an owl hooting): "What's that noise?"
American: "Oh, that's an owl."
Englishman: "I know it's an owl, but 'oo the 'ell is 'owling?"
St. Vincent College Journal.

THE INQUIRING
REPORTER

QUESTION—Do you think we should institute a "Dad's Day" at St. Viator College?

WHERE ASKED—Corridors of Roy Hall.

JOHN T. ELLIS, SENIOR—Yes. It is an annual event in a number of institutions and it might not be a bad idea to institute the "Mother's Day" for the spring and set "Dad's Day" for the first big football game in the fall. Dads are deserving of an equal tribute along with the mothers.

GRIFFIN GALLAGHER, JUNIOR—Most assuredly. No previous question has presented such a fine idea. As for its success, that it a foregone conclusion. If the fellows show the proper spirit, and I'm sure they will, the near future will see the inauguration of a holiday in "Dad's" honor.

GEORGE COLLINS, SOPHOMORE—Yes. I think a "Dad's Day" should be established. "Dad's Day" is a great event at Notre Dame and many other schools. An all-day program could be provided so as to include a banquet, football game, etc. This would do much to promote school spirit.

SIMON McMAHON, ACADEMY SENIOR—Surely. The idea of such an establishment should be encouraged among the students. We all owe our dads an inestimable debt. An outward show of appreciation of this kind should be the least we ought to do for the dads who have undergone sacrifices for our sakes. By way of suggestion, the event of a football game, I feel sure, would prove the most suitable for the occasion.

THOMAS R. DUNNE, FRESHMAN—Yes. Just like "Mother's Day" it has been instituted by the large colleges and universities of the country. It has proven itself beneficial to both student and parent. The father will gain an impression of his son's surroundings and the situations he must compete with and can advise his son how to cope with those situations.

ALUMNI NOTES

The Rev. George P. Mulvaney, c. s. v., Ph. D., conducted a very successful Holy Week mission at the church of St. Peter, Prince of the Apostles, Alamo Heights, Texas. Large crowds including many non-Catholics were attracted by Father Mulvaney's eloquent preaching.

In spite of the weather, the Rev. T. E. Fitzpatrick, c. s. v., assistant pastor of St. Edward church, Chicago, Illinois, and the Rev. Edward A. Kelley of St. Mark's, Peoria, Illinois, drove to St. Viator's last Wednesday, April 20 to witness the opening baseball game of the season.

The Rev. W. J. Bergin, c. s. v., attended the St. Viator versus North Western debate held in the Knights of Columbus hall, Kankakee, Illinois, on April the 12th.

The Rev. F. F. Connor, '11, of St. Peter's church, Rockford, Illinois, also honored the debating team by his presence on the same evening.

The many friends of Mr. J. Glen Powers, '22, and Mr. John Madden '18, were delighted to receive the news that they have both successfully passed the Cook County internship examinations.

Rev. Fulton J. Sheen appeared on the program with Governor Al Smith at the New York Fire Department Holy Name Society's Communion breakfast at the Hotel Astoria, Monday, April 25th.

Rev. John L. O'Donnell, '11, Pastor of St. Ethelred Church in Chicago has been appointed Lieutenant Colonel in the Illinois National Guard. He also holds the office of chief of chaplains, with headquarters with the 33rd Division.

OBITUARY

Through the Viatorian we wish to extend our deepest sympathies to Brother Carlin, c. s. v., on the loss of his brother, George P. Carlin, who died rather suddenly at his home in Omaha, Nebraska, March the 28th.

"Consider the pin. It is headed one way and points another."

"How far from the correct answer were you in the last examination?"
"About three seats."

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