

FATHER J. A. O'BRIEN WILL PREACH RETREAT

Fr. Bergin Article to be Reprinted in Form of Pamphlet

Because of the widespread comment and universal acclaim accorded Father Bergin's recent article in the New World, his article, "Why I am a Catholic" will be reprinted in pamphlet form by the New World. The special edition will be ready for the public in the near future and may be procured through any retail dealer.

As a sample of the numerous letters received by Father Bergin, we print one which he received from an agnostic because it gives such a graphic description of Father Bergin's article.

"I belong to that nondescript class called a Ph. D. At present I am teaching physics in a state institution.

A Catholic student in my class called my attention to an article entitled: "Why I am a Catholic". I read the article with great interest and pleasure because I love clear, vigorous, logical thinking. The market never has been and never will be glutted with that commodity. Perhaps the rarest specimen of the "Homo sapiens" in the world today is an uncompromising, forthright logical thinker.

"There is no doubt that Father Bergin completely demolished the Protestant position. He does not leave it a decent rag of logical respectability to cover its nakedness. If I were a Protestant, I would be thoroughly ashamed to be convicted of such gross irrationality and such stupid disregard of obvious facts.

If Father Bergin's premises be admitted his conclusions follow with

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Spring Swing Session To Be Held April 30

The Spring Swing Session of the College Band will inaugurate the Spring social calendar of the College on Saturday evening, April 30, in the College gymnasium. The entire evening will be given over to dancing and entertainment. Local talent will furnish the entertainment, which will be held during the intermission periods. Admission will be 50 cents for men and 25 cents for women.

Maurice Hoffman and the genial Ken Wiser are teaching the orchestra members the latest tricks of swing. Brother George Carson, C. S. V., Director of the Band, has obtained a library of the latest tunes, so the orchestra is rapidly rounding into



REV. WM. J. BERGIN

Debaters Defeat Illinois Normal

Having dropped two decisions to the Viator negative team earlier in the season two determined debaters from Illinois State Normal of Bloomington journeyed to the Viator campus on April 5 for forensic revenge. However, an equally determined Viator team, Martin McLaughlin, C. S. V., and Donald Foley, C. S. V., made the debate score three to nothing after a close and interesting debate.

Mr. A. D. Huston, director of debate at the University of Illinois, judged the debate and presented a formal critique after the wrangle.

shape for the dance. Among the boys who will play are the following: Trumpets—Lou Moore, John Mulvaney, Maurice Hoffman; Saxophones—John Durkee, Phillip Nucio, Bob Furmeister; Trombone—Eddie O'Connor; Bass—Louis Demmer; Piano—Jack Nealon; Drums—John Clarey.

When interviewed, Brother Carson stated that "It is imperative to the future of the band that this event be a financial as well as a social success. The band has, in its short period of existence, cooperated with all activities on the campus, and stands ready at any time to assist any organization that desires its services.

Holy Name Group Sees Movies Of Foreign Missions

The Rev. John Kenney, Assistant Director of the Propagation of The Faith, showed a series of pictures, depicting life as it is lived by our foreign missionaries, to the members of the Holy Name Society on Friday evening, April 11. Father Kenney also gave a very interesting lecture, pointing out the importance of Mission Work, and how the work is progressing at the present time. He stated that every Catholic student should be interested in the work and should support particularly by prayer, and if possible, by monetary contributions.

Mr. Hoyne Addresses I. R. Club

Mr. Thomas Hoyne, Comptroller of the Customs in the Chicago port, delivered a very interesting lecture before the International Relations Club of the College, on Tuesday, March 29, in the Seminar Room.

Mr. Hoyne, previous to the acceptance of a governmental position was financial editor of the Herald and Examiner where he had been also employed as sports editor.

Mr. Hoyne opened his lecture by considering the financial status of the present administration—the unbalanced budget. He defined the government's borrowing policy by maintaining that it operates on the same principals as do privately owned and operated companies. This is concerning the issuing of bonds. In both cases the institutions are exceeding their budgets. To typify this

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GLEE CLUB PRESENTS PROGRAM OF CLASSICAL MUSIC

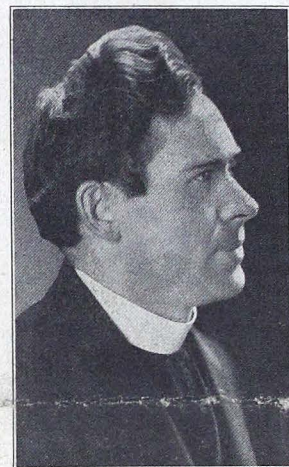
The Reverend Manual P. Loughran, C. S. V., director and moderator of the College Glee Club, presented on the last two Saturday evenings a program of "music of the masters."

Recordings of the compositions of Wagner, Beethoven, Schubert, and Mozart were played with explanatory notes and general information being supplied by Father Loughran.

The program was attended by a select group of students whose interest was apparent by the undivided attention given to the recordings and to Father Loughran as well as by the number of intelligent questions asked.

The next Saturday night meeting will concern itself with Mendelson and Schuman. Because of the already established popularity a goodly gathering is anticipated.

Conference Begins Three-day Retreat Wednesday Night



REV. J. A. O'BRIEN

The Rev. Dr. John A. O'Brien, Director of the Newman Foundation at the University of Illinois, and a former student here, will preach the annual retreat for students of the College. The retreat will begin with a conference on Wednesday evening, April 13, and will close with a Solemn High Mass on Saturday morning, April 16.

Biography of Fr. O'Brien

"Father John A. O'Brien, author and lecturer, was born in Peoria, Illinois. He matriculated at Holy Cross College; at St. Viator College, where he received a bachelor of arts degree and a master's degree in 1914; at the University of Illinois where he received a doctorate in philosophy in 1920. He studied at the Catholic University of America and at the University of Chicago. Since 1920 he has successfully directed the Newman Foundation where Catholic students, attending the University of Illinois, receive courses in religion.

As chaplain at the University, Father O'Brien has acquired an enviable record in the apostolic labor of bringing souls into the fold. Records at the College Church reveal that since 1923 he has baptized approximately two hundred adults and has instructed as many more who have not yet made their submission to Holy Mother Church.

Father O'Brien is deeply devoted to intellectual youth. He spends much of his time writing books and pamphlets, expounding with a polished clarity such subjects as "Evolution and Religion", "Does the Universe Dwarf Man?", "The Church and Disarmament," "Intellectuals Return to Rome. Why?" He is a

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Debaters Meet Quincy College

On March 26 students of Quincy College of Quincy, Illinois, and St. Viator College participated in an interesting discussion on American education. The development of the educational system and characteristics of American education were treated at some length. Among the conclusions reached in the discussion was that less of the utilitarian and more of the cultural should be stressed in our universities.

The students who represented St. Viator in this broadcast were Thomas Reedy, '40, and Gerald Walsh, '39.

Tweet Hogan To Play for Monogram Dance

The seventeenth anniversary of the founding of the Monogram Club, now under the direction of Father Harbauer, will be marked by the seventeenth annual dance to be held Saturday, April 23, at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago. "Tweet" Hogan has been selected to furnish the music.

As usual this will be one of the most gala events of the year. This year there has been much interest created about the campus, as well as in Chicago where a wonderful feeling of cooperation is being shown

by the alumni.

Souvenir Program

One of the unusual features of the dance will be a souvenir program containing a short history of the College, along with a record of the athletic teams of the College and some interesting alumni notes.

The bids will be two dollars as usual. As this is a table dance it will be necessary to place your reservations with Father Harbauer before the Easter vacation.

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CISCA PLAY TO BE PRESENTED IN SUMMIT

Fr. Bergin Writes On "Religious Prejudice"

The ancient scholastics considered it axiomatic that no intelligent or rational discussion of any problem was possible without a clear understanding of the terms involved in the discussion. The principle seems to be perfectly applicable to the problem proposed as the title of this brief article: "How can we Eliminate Religious Prejudices?"

To bring out clearly the irrational and hateful character of prejudices, little more is required than a clear definition of the term. Like so many other words in the English language, prejudice comes from the Latin, *prae-judicium*, which means to pre-judge. Whenever anyone forms or expresses an opinion about an individual, an institution or an organization without adequate evidence, he thereby becomes guilty of prejudice.

Unfortunately there are vast multitudes of men and women who entertain strong opinions or conviction for which there is no evidence, but on the contrary, against which there is a mass of easily ascertainable evidence. Such men and women are mere emotionalists. Their thinking processes have no relation to rational motives. They think what they like, not only without evidence, but in spite of overwhelming evidence to the contrary.

Perhaps a few specific illustrations will serve to make these observations clear and obvious. A few years ago Glen Voliva, of Zion City, in a radio address maintained with no little heat that the earth is the center of the universe; that the sun and all the stars revolve around the earth. He denounced vehemently those who defend the helio-centric theory. Most men will recognize this mental attitude as a pure piece of emotionalism, as an irrational prejudice which flies in the face of compelling evidence.

A few months ago, in the columns of the Chicago Tribune, a history professor in a sectarian seminary made the astounding statement that Catholics were taught by their church to hate all Protestants. It would be difficult to vindicate the intellectual honesty and integrity of any half-educated man who commits himself to such obvious and palpable fallacy. All the world knows that Catholics accept the gospels of Jesus Christ without reservation; that they are taught to hold that gospel in the highest reverence and esteem; that they consider themselves bound to obey the teachings of Christ in all things. Whether or not they always live up to these high principles of conduct is an altogether different question. The fact remains that this is always and unalterably the teachings of the Catholic church.

This Creature Man

From a coterie of fair coeds the following summation was presented to the editor of the VIATORIAN. You know, we always suspected that there was something basically unstable among these mutable members of the Viator student body. For safety's sake as well as for discretion we do not choose to go into the matter publicly. At any rate here is what our feminine "friends" came across in their readings and promptly submitted to the use of the VIATORIAN.

"Men are what women marry. They are divided into three classes: Husbands, Bachelors, and Widowers. "A bachelor is a man whose mind is filled with obstinacy and whose soul is filled with suspicion. "Husbands are of three varieties: prizes, surprises, and consolation prizes.

"Making a husband out of a man is one of the highest arts known to civilization. It requires science, patience, persistence, faith, hope and charity.

"If you flatter a man, you frighten him to death; if you don't you bore him to death. If you permit him to make love to you, he gets tired of you in the end; and if you don't he gets tired of you in the beginning. If you believe all he tells you, then he thinks you are foolish; and if you don't then he thinks you are a cynic.

If you wear gay colors, rouge and a startling hat, he hesitates to take you out. If you wear a little brown turban and a tailor suit, he takes you out and stares all evening at a woman in gay colors, rouge and startling hat.

If you join the gaities and approve of his smoking and drinking, he says you are driving him to destruction; if you don't approve, he says that you are snobbish.

If you are the clinging vine type,

Now if there is any truth which Christ teaches more emphatically than any other, it is unquestionably the duty of loving God and our neighbor. The words of Christ are so clear, so unequivocal, so decisive that they preclude all possibility of rational doubt or plausible cavil. "Thou shalt love the Lord Thy God with Thy Whole Heart, and with Thy Whole Soul, and with Thy Whole Mind." This is the first Commandment. And the Second is like to this: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." On these two commandments depend the whole law

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Library Log

It is to be hoped that the macaronic verses written by a royalist poet of the famous Bodeleian, 'way back when' do not apply to the College Library.

He disburdened himself as follows:

"Neglectos vidi libros multos, Quod minime mirandum, Nam inter bardos Tot et stultos There's a few could understand 'em."

If you have any difficulties with the Latin come up and consult our very admirable shelves on Latin references.

The O. E. D. which occupies a cozy little stand all by itself seldom seems to be consulted by this observer. I have been in the library often and rarely do I see any one bending over this treasure house of words.

The students using the Library are requested not to remove magazines from the library. Come and read all you want and carry off all the knowledge you can bear, but remember others want to read the magazines and books as well as you.

Not that you are ever allowed "in there", but the books on the stacks have all been rearranged making for quicker service to you.

Have a look at Cardinal Newman reading so studiously in the picture post behind the loan desk. Maybe you'll be inspired to do the same.

Ink spots on the new oak tables mar and deface them. Please be careful.

Additional wall cases for the stack room are being contemplated.

The present observer to change his note of complaining, has been pleased not a little by the silence which is kept in the reading room. Keep it up!

Have you noticed how clean and tidy the reading room is kept? Help along the good work by being careful not to throw scrap paper about or by hauling in any real estate.

he doubts whether you have any brains, and if you are modern, an advanced and intelligent woman, he doubts whether you have a heart. If you are silly, he longs for a bright mate, and if you are intelligent and brilliant, he longs for a playmate.

Most men are like worms in the grass; they wriggle around a while—then some chicken grabs them."

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'The Masterful Monk' is Well Received Here

Mr. Hoyne—

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he presented the case of the railroads.

The speaker maintained also that the taxes, about which everyone seems to be complaining, are not too high, especially not the federal taxes. "Perhaps", he stated, "the distribution of the tax burden is faulty but not the tax rate."

The Agricultural Adjustment Act entered into the discussion and it was determined that agriculture could not persist in producing forever, according to the return. The tremendous amount of wheat carry-over, with which the act is particularly interested or concerned, may be eliminated by proper adjustment of wheat production to meet consumption requirements, and that with a properly planned production program prosperity should return both for the rural as well as the urban groups.

Mr. Hoyne was decidedly in sympathy with the present administration.

Fr. Bergin—

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all the rigor of a theorem in geometry. So far as I know every Protestant admits these premises. I find myself unmoved, however, because I do not accept a single assumption upon which all this reasoning is based."

It is amusing to note that those who objected to the article resorted to a violent abuse of Catholicism. They emitted a torrent of vituperation, but failed to "pour the cold waters of reason over the flaming coals of emotion." Most of the letters received by Father Bergin frankly admitted that his logic was unassailable.

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Because of the remarkable success of the "Masterful Monk" presented by Cisca on April 3 and 4, the play will be given again in Summit, Illinois, immediately after the Easter vacation. Father John Fuerst, pastor of the parish in Summit, Illinois, will sponsor the play in the parish hall, according to an announcement made recently by the Rev. Wm. J. Cracknell, C. S. V., Moderator of Cisca.

The fact that the Knights of Columbus Hall in Kankakee was filled to capacity for both performances, is ample evidence for the success of the play.

The Rev. Wm. J. Cracknell, C. S. V., Moderator of the Cisca, and Brother Martin McLaughlin, C. S. V., selected the cast and directed the play. Any credit for the success of the play is due primarily to them.

Excellent performances were rendered by every member of the cast which included Thomas Ashe, '39; Francis Nolan, '40; Daniel Ward, '40; Miss Mary Anthony, '38; Alfred Lambeau, '41; Miss Mary Margaret Buresh, Miss Yvonne Rivard, '39; Thomas Trenkle, '41; Eugene Gould, '39, and Richard Powers, '39.

Brother James M. McCue, C. S. V., was business manager of the play, and is to a great extent responsible for the financial success of the play. The technical operators who made the smoothness of the performance possible were: Robert Regan, '39; and Eugene Larkins, '38, stage directors; Mr. Denis Drolet, Technical Manager; Thomas Ashe, '39, and Brother Patrick Hayes, C. S. V., were responsible for the placement of the scenery.

Band Plays

The band, under the direction of Brother George Carson, C. S. V., turned in a stellar performance between scenes of the play. Much of the credit for a successful evening is due to the efforts of the college band.

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WELCOME, FATHER O'BRIEN!

It is seldom that college students have the good fortune to make a retreat under the guidance of a retreat master possessing the qualifications of Father O'Brien. He is one of the outstanding authors of the day, having written or revised eleven books and about seventy-five pamphlets. He is also a frequent contributor to such periodicals as, "The Catholic World," "America," and "The Commonweal."

Because most of his life has been spent serving the youth of America, he comes to us with a keen insight into the problems of the college man. Although young enough to be close to the difficulties of youth, he also brings with him the profound wisdom that comes only after years of experience. Therefore it is with feelings of gratitude and happiness that we welcome to our midst a distinguished gentleman and one of the brightest intellectual lights of the day, Father O'Brien.

— L. R.

ON THE BAND WAGON

Necessary for the optimum development of spirit in any college is the presence of a band. There is something about the swinging lilt of music, the colorful uniforms, the thrill of such atmosphere that draws out the deeper elements of college feeling.

For almost twenty years St. Viator had been without a band and the spirit manifested in athletic and campus activities suffered accordingly. This year through the energetic interest of Brother Carson a band was organized. While it has not attained the development that time alone can bring, it is safe to say that the band has been the most successful organization on the campus this year. Starting with a minimum of facilities and interested students Brother Carson's labors have brought the embryonic organization to an almost unbelievable stage of musical proficiency.

To Brother Carson should be extended the deep appreciation of the administration and students for his successful efforts. To the members of the band, who have sacrificed many free hours to achieve this success, should also be rendered acknowledging gratitude.

To Brother Carson and the band members we offer congratulations. To the administration and student body we direct our hope that this organization may receive their unstinted support.—D. W.

Critique

By F. Sanhuber

Since the last issue of the VIATORIAN I have met with so much adverse criticism as an aftermath of the "Essay Contest" article that it becomes imperative for me to pacify, if possible, the demigods of review by clarifying what appeared or seemed to me a lucid enough discussion. Inadequacy of expression or lack of poignant and pertinent phrasing is the frantic plea for clemency I humbly extend, and which might be explained by the fact that the article was written in undue haste.

Though it might seem contradictory, as you surmise my former dissertation, I am definitely not in favor of the English Essay contest. I wrote in the referred to article: "the annual English Essay supposedly remains, justly and beneficially, an established precedent at St. Viator College." Note, gentle and sophisticated reader, that I did not say that the essay remains an established precedent justly and beneficially but, SUPPOSEDLY so. Surely the word 'supposedly' did not escape the notice of the mentally alert though its significance may have been lost to the bovine-type reader and person.

At this time may I apologize for misstatement. Thank you. While mentioning the good points attached to the essay, and it has some even though they be outweighed, I expounded that there was favorable evidence of cut throat competition and prestige. This statement must be altered. Cut-throat competition does exist and the essay does have prestige; but neither quality is advantageous or commendable. The prestige lies in a bad name, the competition thrives among the select few who make essay writing a sort of annual racket—a means of picking up a few dollars. It is a pretty good racket too.

Before I continue, dear reader, you must understand that I met with reproach from opposing factions and that I am therefore in a very precarious position. The written word, I have learned from bitter experience, is ungodly strong and difficult to retract. Please show a little mercy. Don't be too harsh. "Behind the eight-ball" is the common phrase used to express like and similar cases to this one.

Regardless of what anyone says I still think that the idea of advancing a subject which is concerned or attached to the field of literature is a just and good one. I defy anyone to dispute this vital issue as treated in my recent publication. The same holds true for the criticism of the topics chosen for treatment. I still maintain that the choice is altogether too limited.

Why I am opposed to the essay contest: As we know the essay is written almost exclusively by Juniors and Seniors. What an inopportune time the essay or rather, those who prescribe the essay pick for its advent. The Seniors are worried about graduation. They are working frantically on their theses. The Juniors have just reached that stage wherein they begin to wonder about the number of hours they need and the number required for majors and minors. The completed essay is due a week or a few days previous to a week, during which semester examinations take place. Another anti-essay contest argument is this: It keeps students from enrolling in English courses. You probably laugh at this last statement but I know it to be absolutely true. Is there need to present any more reasons emphasizing the fact that the English Essay contest should be ousted? I think that those given will suffice,

By J. E. Surprenant, C. S. V.

"Unfortunately, the American heresy has poisoned Catholic minds, and consciously or unconsciously we too have come to look on manual labor as something undesirable, at best a make-shift, a stepping-stone. Only recently I had occasion to realize how deep-rooted were my own prejudices on the subject. During a long conversation with a young French Catholic labor leader, I had remarked the depth and breadth of his education and culture, his familiarity with the topics of the day, with literature, sociology, economics. During the conversation the question was continually in my mind—why is this young man merely a workman? Why has he not bettered himself? Finally I asked the question, and knew at once that I had asked a question that, coming from a priest, was actually shocking. Perhaps he excused me as being an American. At any rate, his answer was perfect in its simplicity, Catholic to the core: 'But I am a workman. That's what I wish to be. It's my vocation.'

"Another Frenchman, father of two young boys, confided to a priest his ambition for his children: 'I want to see them either priests or leaders of workmen; but whatever God wills, every day of my life, I pray that they may never wish to step out of the class of workmen.'

What do you think of these words of Father John Delaney? In his article in America of April 2, Father Delaney seems to strike at the heart of one of the major prejudices of United States citizens. This prejudice has eaten to the very core of our educational system, which has become so predominantly a feverish effort to learn how to make a living instead of learning how to live. This same cankerous affection has robbed able-bodied individuals of all ambition to earn their living in any other way than in a white collar job. It is at the source of much of the graft that goes on; it is better, says the grafter to himself, to rob society than to do manual labor. In many instances, this damnable prejudice has enlarged the relief rolls to the point that the burden is unbearable. It has gone so far, that it seems our very government pays men to learn it by teaching them how to lean gracefully upon picks, shovels, etc. on every P. W. A. project. It is time Christian students took stock of this prejudice in their closet. It is time they resolved to wage a long, hard fight against this same prejudice. The alternative to such conduct is a defective society, gradually rotting into an innocuous desuetude. Live you choice!

Recently Mr. T. T. Hoynes gave us a stimulating talk on economics from one who is applying his theory in the field of life. In the course of the talk, he very emphatically declared that the law of Supply and Demand must be understood before it could be found to apply. He defended the retrenchment of nature by law with the enlightening statement that Demand is not simply a human need, but a human need supplied.

although others could be stated on demand or request.

Now perhaps I have not satisfied the austere critics with this congregation of naive sentences but I do have the satisfaction of having expressed my honest and unbiased opinion of the English Essay contest—the scourge of May. Come what may, I'll be happy.

Maybe!

ported with the ability to pay for that need.

I wonder if Mr. Hoynes realized how inhuman it sounds to tell 11,000,000 unemployed, or approximately 40,000,000 fellowmen, that their needs cut no figure in economics until they have the money to purchase their necessities. An economics such as has brought about the present state of awesome unrest between Capital and Labor. An economics such as that should have been relegated to the cellar of outworn theories before it ever came into existence, and yet it still lives. When shall we have supposed scientific thinkers thinking in terms of reality, instead of divorcing their theories from life? If it is the ruin of economics to establish Social Justice, then let us ruin the vaporings of men inoculated with the prejudice that manual labor did not become their dignity. If it is the establishment of a new economics to establish Social Justice, then, on to the work of a new economics that sees all the factors in a problem. But, make it a cardinal principle in your thinking that human rights are to be preferred to property rights.

What do you know about these questions, which are being agitated just now under various guises? Is the Corporative State as outlined by the "Quadragesimo Anno" and modified for application to Spain and the U. S. as proposed by Father Coughlin merely another form of the Soviet State? Are the organizations of syndicates, confederations and corporations of industries, comprising as they do both capital and labor, nothing more than organizing commissariates for the enslavement of the proletariat? It begins to appear that a Corporate State is to be the answer to the dilemma of some minds that governments must be either Fascist or Communist.

Someone once remarked to a speaker, "What you are speaking so loudly that I cannot hear what you say." The same could be said of our own budding geni at St. Viator. For two evenings they evinced their childish nature, whereas a blunt question as to their status in life reveals that they are College men. You wonder what the chatter is about? A well-acted play entitled "The Masterful Monk" was given at the K. C. hall on April 3 and 4. Our students entertained themselves, instead of being entertained as was intended, by hissing and shouting at the villain. As some one remarked, "we used to do those things when we were children going to the nickel show." It is a sign of the times that men who pretend to ability to advanced intellectual work cannot focus their minds for two consecutive hours on a serious problem.

Had it been slap-stick comedy, it might have elicited uninterrupted attention. I'm sure these same young gentlemen (?) would have made their families proud of them. Perhaps such conduct is also an evidence of the reason for the tendency of the times that the State tends to absorb the rights of the Family. At any rate, vent your opinion if you have any concerning these remarks, on this question, is the family a basic unit of Society or a basic unit of the State? Can you say that Society is the State, or the State Society? The answer to these questions will surprise you, and will be of great use to dampen unreasonable conduct as well as a clue to our present-day habit of the usurpation of rights.

Intra-Mural

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Softball

Sideline Slants

By Bob Burmeister

Well, the Intra-Mural basketball league has closed the most successful season in its long history. The 1937-38 season saw eight teams representing the "A" Loop, and five functioning in the "B" Loop. The "A" league race was a nip and tuck affair right down to the closing whistle with Jack O'Connell's "Nomads" winning the title by downing Murphy's "Janitors" in the last game of the schedule. The "B" loop was equally well balanced, with Burm's "Bums" copping the title by a two game margin. The Bums were undefeated. Congratulations winners! We also offer our congratulations and thanks to the men who made this league a success, and we sincerely hope that next year the Intra-Mural basketball season will be still more successful.

Intra-Mural softball will soon be in swing. A close race is expected to make this year's softball race a real success. We hope that the controversy over the size ball to be used in these games will soon be settled.

Although the weather man has been playing havoc with Coach Lou Zarza's spring football plans, the Irish gridders have been progressing rapidly. The most promising candidates among the new-comers are: Steve Seloboski, McMullen, Shanley and Bloom.

Frank Swenney, promising freshman quarterback, has been forced to drop football because of an attack of appendicitis. Dave Frey, freshman center, and Bob Burmeister, junior tackle, are suffering from shoulder injuries, while Bob Bates, sophomore end, and Don Faber, sophomore fullback suffered leg injuries.

With the approach of warm weather the "tennis bugs" have been serving them to each other. Bro-Peckham, tennis coach is very optimistic over this year's net team. Coach Peckham is working on a schedule for this season, and announces that he has signed Armour Tech of Chicago for two matches. Several more matches are in view.

We notice the freshman track and field hopefuls training for the annual Freshman-Upperclassman track meet to be held on May 15. The winning class gains possession of the coveted "Brown Jug". As yet the Frosh have been unable to wrest the trophy from the Upperclassmen.

DID YOU KNOW THAT — The tallest basketball player ever to don a Viator uniform was Olen Malone who enrolled here in 1933. Malone towered into the ozone six feet eleven inches. . . That W. Damler who attended Viator in 1935 was six feet six inches tall. . . That in April, 1934 Joe Saia led the Irish nine to a 13 to 10 victory over St. George, Ill. Saia made two home runs and a double out of three attempts at the plate.

Famous Last Lines—Strike Three.

Bill Walsh



Although Head Coach Lou Zarza lost his ace backfield star last fall when Captain Bill Walsh hung up his togs for the last time, he made a valuable addition to the spring coaching staff when adding 'Springs' to his advisory group.

Softball Teams Form for Post-Easter Openers

By Vince Murphy

The intramural softball league will swing into action on Tuesday, April 26 with 8 teams lined up for the season. The fourth floor will have teams captained by "Chum" Lee and John Dymek. Lee has a good outfit lined up, with Frank Halpin and himself as hurlers as well as other good men in Cooke, O'Brien and Carrol Halpin. Dymek has a strong nucleus in the Morrissey Brothers McLaughlin and Fitzgerald.

Bob Brinkoetter and Al Monahan will lead the third floor teams. Brink has a fine pitcher in Heinie Heintzman and should present a top-notch outfit. Monahan has had little to say regarding his crew but he will no doubt come up with an aggressive ball club. Bud is an outstanding catcher and has a hard-hitting outfielder in Bob Lenahan while Bill Watson is a dependable infielder.

The second floor should present two well-balanced squads under the leadership of Frank Straub and Joe Malloy. Straub has Red McElligott, Luke Gleason and Ed Dilger, lined up for what should be one of the best outfields in the loop. Joe Malloy will hurl for his team with Sammy DeBach behind the log. Val Mellonig is one of Malloy's standout outfielders.

Two of the strongest teams are expected to be those representing the dorm. Danny Blazeovich will lead one of the groups with Johnny Morenc heading the other. Blaz will do the chucking for his outfit while Red Zelencik is expected to be the mound star for Morenc's bunch.

Another 2 Weeks Drill for Gridders

With but two weeks of spring football practice remaining, Coach Lou Zarza will put his charges through a series of drills intended to develop the defensive aspects of his group.

Thus far most of the attention of the coaching staff has been devoted to developing a suitable offense. That the Green Wave mentor is pleased with the way his backfield men can carry the mail is no secret, and if he can assemble a defensive crew of equal ability, Viator can look for another successful grid season next fall.

Defensive prospects should be strengthened by the return of Ray O'Connor, giant Gary tackle. Ray won an all-conference berth two years ago as a sophomore and should be a defensive bulwark when he tosses his 240 pounds into the fray next fall. His return will leave Line Coach Joe Saia pretty well fortified at the tackle posts as long as he has Red Zelencik and Fred Kunz to bank on. However, "Genial Joe" would welcome another strong reserve tackle.

Danny Blazeovich has six dependable wingmen to work with although there seems to be a weakness in the pass-catching department. Naturally it will be hard to replace Blazeovich, who was the main cog in the Irish offense last fall, but the inimitable Croat may come up with a surprise find in the form of a real pass-snagger. The veteran ends are Bob Bates, Babe Clays, a reformed tackle, Bob Brinkoetter, Paul Cashman, Eddie O'Connor, and Sulo Seikinen. Sulo seems to be the most improved player in the lot.

Steve Seloboski, John Watson, and Tony Doheny, are among the best looking of the reserve tackle group. Watson did not play any high school ball but is out there giving the game the "old college try" and has improved tremendously. Doheny is strong on defense while Seloboski, former Tilden Tech athlete, uses his 200 pounds to a good advantage.

Bob Schumacher and George Cusach are setting the pace for the guards with Bill Morrissey, "Izzy" Radosevich and Jack Stoltze in reserve. "Iron Man" Johnny Morenc is a proverbial Gibraltar at the center position. The only way to get the redoubtable South Bend youth out of the lineup is via the graduation route.

Tony Sacco, "Corky" Faber, and Ches Benben are sharing the signal-callers job, with Rex Flach and Roy Dusenbury at right half. The brunt of the ball-packing will be done by the fullbacks and left halves, in the persons of Bob Lenahan, Al Haworth, Luke Gleason and Heinie Heintzman.

That there will be plenty of power in the fullback berth is evidenced

Present plans call for two games to be played at 12:15 and two at 6:15 each day with all the noon-hour games ending at 1:05. Although a director has not yet been appointed to run the affairs of the league, the schedule will be drawn up this week in order to have everything in readiness for the start.

Danny Blazeovich



Danny Blazeovich, one of the greatest offensive ends in the midwest last fall, has set out to perform a herculean task during the spring training sessions. The job Danny has taken over is to provide Lou Zarza with a successor for his own left end post.

Fr. Bergin Writes

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and the prophets. St. John the Evangelist, who perhaps caught the spirit and the mind of Christ more perfectly than anyone else does not hesitate to say: "If any man say, I love God and hateth his brother, he is a liar. For he that loveth not his brother whom he seeth, how can he love God whom he seeth not?"

It should, therefore, be clear to the dullest mind that any man or organization, who preaches hatred of fellowmen can have no just claim to the title of Christian. When that is done in the name of religion, it is nothing but vulgar lying and detestable hypocrisy. Prejudice is, therefore condemned by the laws of God and the dictates of right reason. Religious prejudice especially is an affront to God and to the dignity of human nature.

Like every other malady, physical, mental or moral, prejudice can be cured only by treating its cause. Now it should be fairly evident that the causes of every kind of prejudice is either ignorance or malice. There is no cure for ignorance except the patient, laborious process of education. The malicious must be made to realize that their malice will bring them nothing but the contempt and reprobation of their fellowmen. One can readily imagine how bitterly Justice Black now repents his ignominious flirtation with organized bigotry, prejudice and ignorance.

No religious denomination, political party, social or economic organization has any monopoly on prejudiced membership. Specifically, if the leaders in every religious denomination would deal promptly and vigorously with every manifestation of prejudice by any one of its members, the dangerous malady of religious prejudice would quickly disappear. Prejudice is a pest which all men of good will should strive to eliminate from the social body. The task is not beyond the ability of intelligent and courageous action.

by the type of running Lenahan and Haworth have displayed. Both are big, fast, and hard. Heintzman appears to have the edge on Gleason when it comes to fancy open field running, but the chubby Gleason excels in passing and blocking ability.

Ed. Dilger Heads All-Star Squad

By Harold Sandquist

With the close of the Intra-Mural Basketball league we present the All-Star selections as chosen by the team captains and the writer.

Ed Dilger, flashy Janitor forward, led the balloting by counting twenty-six out of a possible twenty-seven points. He was followed by Bob Lenahan of the Nomads who had seven first team votes and two second team mentions for a total of twenty-five points.

Under the supervision of Brother Deane, C. S. V., and sponsored under the auspices of the College Club the league proved very successful.

The first and second teams in their entirety are as follows:

First Team

Dilger, f.—Janitors
Watson, f.—Nomads
Sanhuber, c.—Janitors
Lenahan, g.—Nomads
Halpin, g.—Jockeys

Second Team

Walsh, f.—Wilkins Family
Heintzman, f.—Indians
Murphy, c.—Janitors
O'Connor, g.—Indians
Cooke, g.—Jockeys
Honorable mention: Zelencik, Beer Barons; J. Morrissey, Hoosiers; Faber, Beer Barons; Brinkoetter, Nomads; Radosevich, Wolves.

Nomads Beat Janitors For League Title

By Harold Sandquist

Jack O'Connell's "Nomads" were crowned Intra-Mural league basketball champions by defeating Murphy's "Janitors" by the score of 22 to 17 in a hard fought, gruelling tilt.

Bob Lenahan, Nomad ace, was the outstanding player of the game, turning the gong for ten points and ringing in a superb floor game. Brinkoetter was second high for the winners annexing seven points.

The Janitors scoring attack centered about Ed Dilger who hit four field goals.

The Nomads completely dominated the play during the first half of the contest and lead at the half-way mark by the score of 15 to 6.

In the second half the scrappy Janitors came back swinging their mops and pulled up to within a four point difference; but that was as close as they could come to overtaking their opponents all evening.

The victory came in the form an unequalled pleasantry to the Nomads who had been beaten earlier in the season by the Janitor boys, by the close score of 18 to 16.

| Nomads | FG | FT | P |
|-----------------|----|----|---|
| Brinkoetter, f. | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Watson, f. | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Cashman, c. | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Lenahan, g. | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Ryan, g. | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Dymek, g. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| O'Connell, f. | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Perona, f. | 0 | 0 | 1 |

ABRA-KA DABRA

Do you know that a dog with a broken tail is better than a dog with no tail, because every dog has his day, but a dog with a BROKEN TAIL has his weekend.—Geiger.

Ask Taboodie

"Frequent water drinking", says the specialist, "prevents you from becoming stiff in the joints."
"Yes", says Taboodie, "but most of the joints don't serve water."

She: "There are two men whom I really admire."
He: "Who's the other one?"

Then there's the cannibal's daughter who had said when dinner was being served, "Give the little girl a great big hand."

He: "Hello, darling would you like to have dinner with me tonight?"
She: "I'd love to."
He: "Good. Tell your mother I'll be over at six."
—Overheard on the community 'phone.

Supercilious college man: "So you are a graduate of a barber college. What was your yell?"
John the Barber: "Cut his lip; rip his jaw; leave his face, raw, raw, raw."—Stolen.

Famous Golfers

Walter Raleigh, who was always in the ruff.
Samson, who couldn't break away from the links.
Sam Adams, who staged the Boston tea party.
Magellan, who went around in 1591.
Dan Boone, who shot birdies in the American.
Sir Galahad, who won the Grail cup.
Gen. Putnam, who beat Howe out at the Bunker.
Brutus, who got a whole in one.
—Bored Walk.

See what prohibition did!
Correct this sentence: "The toast was drank in silence."
Student's answer: "The toast was eaten in silence."
—Niagra Index.

Convent religion class: "Do people who shoot craps usually go to Hell?"
Father Senesac: "No. Usually to room 225."

Famous Last Lines:
"REST IN PIECES."

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Ward Says:

Only after considerable deliberation and then with certain misgivings, have I dared to raise a feeble voice against the imposing collection of ivy covered buildings and football stadia that is naively named the "Higher Learning in America." Now, extreme as I may seem to many, I feel that there are enough of those with sufficient observational comprehension or maybe with so biased an outlook on things educational, as to agree with me, to constitute a respectable minority. At least it will be respectable numerically speaking in relation to the number holding the opposing viewpoint.

Here is what I say. Here in America we have for the most part done our best to make our institutions of higher learning as immune as possible to the dread virus of true learning. By accident, we have, I presume, or hope, carefully nurtured every movement that will draw us farther and farther from the end of all education that is deserving of the name. With happy American zeal, we have developed our educational "industry" to the point where it is a \$10,000,000,000 institution caecring to almost 30,000,000 students, and divers other elements that register as such. We have more universities than any other country in the world, yet, relatively speaking, we have less to put in them than any other country.

In the midst of apparent plenty we find intellectual want. Why? Do not our institutions of higher learning teach everything from hanging drapes to hanging gardens, from knitting to observation of nit-wits? The answer to this is to be given the affirmative. But when one unpleasantly asks, "Do colleges educate?" we usually must answer "no." Why? In the first place, education in America has lost sight of its primary end. The average university or credit hour dispensary has no more unity than a dictionary. This, President Hutchins of the University of Chicago, probably meant when he said that the two great sciences that are able to coordinate all knowledge into a workable system, metaphysics and theology, have long since fallen into disfavor in the American academic scene. You ask "why?" I honestly cannot give the reason nor can any one else give a valid reason why they should have disappeared. The unkind inference one might draw from such a condition is that our colleges fear such coordination of knowledge may interfere with future alumni attendance at football games and similar activities so often manifestive of the higher learning in America. We may say then that the primary cause of intellectual want in our colleges is the turning of American education from the only real end of education, and the divine of learn-

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By F. Sanhuber

It was at one time said that letter writing is an art in itself. To judge the truth or falsity of this the writer is not qualified to do. The statement does however, bring this to mind. After a number of years in college the student inevitably falls into the habit of writing stereotyped letters. Letters to parents and those to the sweetest and most enticing bit of femininity in — (some city); all are similar with the exception of the content matter, of course. I don't know if you understand exactly what is meant so following are a few examples. To you readers is left the task of determining whether the writer tells what is true or if he does not. (Note in particular the simplicity of sentence structure.)

Dear Mother and Dad:

The letter you sent on Tuesday came yesterday. Thank you for the money. It certainly came in handy. Had a swell time at the dance. A few of the fellows here at school did a little drinking and were caught by the prefect. From what I hear they will not be able to leave the campus for some length of time. Of course, I had nothing whatsoever to do with the affair as you surely know by now.

I would have made the honor roll except for the fact that one of the professors gave me a mark that was utterly unjust. No kidding, I really deserved a mark much better than that which I received. Am going to see the teacher one of these days and try to have it changed. Perhaps it wouldn't be a bad idea if you were to write to the Dean of Studies and let him know that you are not at all satisfied with my marks.

Incidentally, if you receive a letter from the Dean of Men don't pay much attention to it. He is sending the same letters to all the parents. An announcement was made to that effect in the chapel. I don't know just what is contained in the letter, nevertheless it is trivial so please do not let it bother you. I guess that they are the result of the dance which I wrote to you about in my last letter.

The team played basketball last night and lost. I don't remember the exact score but it was close. I never saw such losy officiating in my life. The umpire couldn't see and the referee was undoubtedly bribed. A bunch of the boys were going to get them after the game, but thought better of it.

Hope that everyone at home is real well. If I didn't have so ter-

ribly much work I would be able to come home next weekend. Have you seen any of my buddies around lately? Gosh, I wish I could get home but until the work lets up I'll have to stick around.

The Junior Class is sponsoring a dance on Saturday. It promises to be a gala affair and I am entertaining plans of attending. However, in order for me to be able to realize my aspirations I will need a little money. Would appreciate it very much if you could satisfy me in this respect.

Guess that's about all there is to write about for now.

Love,

Oscar.

My Dear Sweet:

Your last letter was swell, dear. It sure is nice of you to write to me as frequently as you do. I don't know what I'd do without your letters. They mean so much to me. They bring you so close. Why can't the days go faster when I'm away from you? It has been ages since I've seen you. Can hardly wait our next vacation.

Gee, I bet you look swell in the dress you just made. You always look good to me. Am anxious to see you in it—bay and turquois always add to your already sufficient charm.

You asked me what we did on weekends here at school. Well, there really isn't much that we can do. No one leaves the campus on Saturday night and on the other nights one has so much home-work to do he can't possibly go out without endangering his scholastic standing. It does me no good to go out anyway. I can't enjoy myself without you. Honest, darling. The orchestra we are listening to is now playing the song "Your a Sweetheart". Oh, I miss you dreadfully. I guess I love you too much. This is my "True Confession."

Have given up drinking as you asked me to. I don't see what pleasure I ever got out of it. I'll never do anything to hurt you. My roommate drinks quite profusely and frequently. He always tries to talk me into going with him but of course I don't accept his invitations. Didn't I promise you that I was cutting out the alcohol?

The school work certainly is tough. One has all he can do to keep up in all his classes. I must

write an essay for tomorrow so I'll have to stop for now. Will be anxiously awaiting your next letter. Hope that you, your Mother and Father are well. Please take good care of yourself, sweet. Love always.

Yours alone,

Oscar.

P. S.— Think of me "Once in a While."



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Ward Says—

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ing from its fundamental basis. The second reason that I advance for this chaotic state of education in America is the excessive stress that is placed on social and athletic activities. Not that I wish to disparage in any way these two important factors in collegiate life but rather that I believe students should at least only minor in them, not major in them. If you disagree too strenuously ask yourself the question, "Why did I come to college?"

American colleges have fallen prone before the gods of the athletic stadia, crying with extended palms, "Open sesame". Football receipts have replaced intellectual receipts. Other colleges, fortunately or unfortunately, unable to draw large gate receipts from athletics have sullenly adopted the policy of making athletics a colossus on their own campuses in an attempt to divert athletes from attending colleges more favored by a stadia minded public. They usually do this on the supposition that if they don't prospective students will be diverted to other colleges. At best, such a basis of procedure is much mooted and can not by any play of logic be pronounced an indisputable verity, peculiar to American education.

To illustrate very forcibly, can you show me more than a very few colleges that do not follow this action? And who is to blame? The ones attending our colleges? No, ultimately the fault rests with the college administrators. You disagree? then with whom does it rest? It can only rest on two parties. Eliminate the one for obvious reasons and what have you left?—college administrators.

Yes, of course this article has rambled a great deal. For that I plead guilty. But do not accuse me of saying that our colleges contain no learning. For they do. As an eastern university president said, "Freshmen bring in a little learning and seniors never take any out. Therefore, a little remains".

Agree with me or not you must admit the truth in a recent article by Dr. Hutchins in which he said, "It has never been easier than it is today, for those who can afford it, to get into college. Nor has it ever been easier to stay in college and be graduated. The only thing that is really difficult to do is to get an education. You can get an education in college if you try. But you must bring three things with you: a certain minimum of intellectual equipment, habits of work, and an interest in getting an education. Without them, you can still get into college and stay there for four years. You can have a good time; you can keep out of trouble; you can get a degree and become a full-fledged alumnus with a proprietary interest in all football scores; but you cannot get an education."

Tweet Hogan—

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As Father Harbauer put it "Viator is out to do things and go places, but its not a single-handed job. Its a task requiring all the loyalty and hearty cooperation of the students and alumni. As you recount the 'good old days' and the 'old crowd' and you wonder what happened to them, meet them at the Monogram Dance on the 23, and give yourself a pleasant and a different evening. You will meet a host of the 'old grads' and renew old friendships."

Conference—

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frequent contributor to the National Catholic periodicals including America, Ave Maria, Ecclesiastical Review, Extension, Homiletic and Pastoral Review."

(Note—We are deeply indebted to Sister Archangela O. S. F., for this

Biographical sketch of Father O'Brien. A complete list of Father O'Brien's publications may be had by writing to Sister Archangela, St. Benedict Convent, 3938 N. Leavitt Street, Chicago, Illinois.)

Order of Day
Wednesday evening, April 13 — opening day.

Program—
6:30 a. m.—Rising.
7:00 a. m.—Holy Mass.

9:30 a. m.—Conference.
11:15 a. m.—Conference.
12:00 noon—Dinner.
2:00 p. m.—Visit to Blessed Sacrament, Stations on Good Friday.
3:30 p. m.—Conference.
5:15 p. m.—Beads.
5:30 p. m.—Supper.
8:00 p. m.—Night Prayers, Conference, Benediction.
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