

## Sixty-Fourth Graduation Is Held

VIATOR PLAYERS PRESENT LIGHT  
OPERA WITH BRILLIANT SUCCESS

"The Mikado" Of Gilbert And Sullivan, Produced May 27, 29, Under Direction Of Miss Gillette And Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V.

The Gilbert and Sullivan light opera, "The Mikado", was brilliantly produced by the Dramatic Society of St. Viator College before appreciative audiences in Kankakee on the evenings of May twenty-seventh at the State Hospital and May twenty-ninth in the auditorium of the Kankakee High School. Under the musical direction of Miss Harriet Gillette, a member of the Sophomore Class, and the dramatic direction of Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., the production was highly successful. Work on the opera was begun at the beginning of the second semester. That fact largely accounts for the high degree of perfection exhibited both by the chorus and the principals.

## Real Characterizations

The title role was portrayed in regal fashion by Edward E. Hunt, '33, Chicago, whose flexible baritone voice was never displayed to greater advantage than in this part. Miss Mary Cruise, '35, of Kankakee, in the role of Katisha, an elderly court lady with an unusually burden of homeliness and sorrow, gave a delightful interpretation of the character. Her very beautiful solos were delicate cameos of musical perfection. Ko-Ko, Lord High Executioner, completed with Anglicized accent, was a small riot as played by Jack Cronin, '34. Cronin's ability as a character actor was proved by his splendid performance. If it were necessary to choose the most perfect voice in the cast, the honor would undoubtedly be given to Miss Teresa Gray, a special student from Kankakee, who, as Yum-Yum, was thrilling. Her crystal clear soprano voice marked by unusual richness and beauty was the high point of the musical number. Her principal solo, "The Sun And I", was flawlessly rendered. Her musical perfection is surpassed only by her dramatic ability, for, as Yum-Yum, she was as lovely as a Japanese print. Playing opposite her in the male lead was James Foohey, '35, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Perfectly at ease on the stage as off it, Foohey made Nanki-Poo, son of the Mikado disguised as a "second trombone", a thoroughly likeable chap who might be pardoned almost any peccadillo. The unusual range of his voice was needed for the very difficult but charming stirring solo work that fell to him as Nanki-Poo. Miss Lucille Putz, Librarian, of Kankakee, and Miss Agnes Stelter, '35, of Bradley, as the attendants of Yum-Yum, were excellent in their dramatic work. They gave their roles a charm that is not necessarily occidental or oriental but universal, by being thoroughly feminine in their fears and amusements. The role for which the Mikado is mostly remembered is that of Pooh-Bah, the haughty nobleman, who holds nearly all the high offices of State as well as the salaries attached to them. This haughty gentleman was portrayed very well by J. Kenneth Bushman, '33, of

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WM. CLANCY IS  
CLASS PRESIDENTKankakee Youth Chosen By  
Seniors

On Wednesday afternoon, May 17, the Junior Class proceeded to elect its officers for the coming year, 1933-34, with the result that William Clancy of Kankakee was chosen as President, and Miss Marie Smole as Vice-President. The offices of Treasurer and Secretary are to be filled respectively by Gerald Sullivan and Charles Byron.

Mr. Clancy was opposed for the

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CHICAGO U. PROF.  
ADDRESSES CLUBMortimer Adler, Ph. D. At I. R. C.  
Meeting

On Friday evening, May 19, the College was honored by a visit from Professor Mortimer Adler, head of the Philosophy department at the University of Chicago. Along with Mr. Robert Hutchins, President of the University of Chicago, he teaches Scholastic philosophy.

He delivered his speech to a large group of students, and many visitors from Kankakee, in the College Club Room, at eight o'clock. His talk which lasted over an hour, was most interesting and educational. Immediately upon the conclusion of his speech, Rev. Father Bergin, C. S. V., offered some comments upon the address that was made, and asked several questions, which were adequately answered by Mr. Adler.

The student body is very thankful to Mr. Adler for his fine talk, and to Rev. J. W. R. Maguire who succeeded in obtaining the services of this highly intellectual and cultured Professor. We sincerely hope that we may be honored by another such visit from Mr. Mortimer Adler next year, and feel sure that whatever subject he may choose to discuss, will prove both interesting and helpful to all who may have the good fortune of hearing him.

State Oratory Contest  
Held At Viator, May 10

The Illinois State Catholic Oratorical Contest was held on Friday, May 12, in Marsille Hall. The preliminaries were held in the afternoon, and those who qualified spoke in the evening on this same date. There was a large attendance of students and visitors, especially at the finals, which were held at 7 p. m., and were judged by Mr. A. L. Granger, Rev. Wm. C. Bergin, C. S. V., and Pro-

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Fr. Cardinal, C. S. V.,  
Addresses Club

On Monday, April 24, Rev. E. V. Cardinal, C. S. V., addressed the members of the Kiwanis Club at their weekly meeting and luncheon in McBroom's Cafe, in Kankakee, Illinois. Father Cardinal's subject for discussion was "Hilter". In his talk, he both praised and blamed this German dictator, who has become a figure of much criticism in the past few months. The address proved most interesting and educational, since the speaker was recently touring through Europe, and therefore was able to create a fine background for the events which he was relating at the meeting.

Father Cardinal was introduced by E. B. Gower, program chairman, and the club's appreciation of the talk was voiced by W. A. Schneider. Among the guests was Mr. V. A. Parish, local State's Attorney.

NOLAN ELECTED  
CLUB PRESIDENTPromises Increase Of Col-  
legiate Activity

The College Club elections, which were preceded by some very heated discussions and ambitious campaigns, were held on Monday, May 15, with Mr. Robert A. Nolan of Rockford, Illinois, being named President of that organization. He was opposed by James Walkowiak and Robert Spreitzer, but held a safe majority over each of these.

"Bob" Nolan has been one of the outstanding students here in the past three years. He has held numerous class offices since his Freshman year to the present. He was Treasurer of the College Club this year, and also, President of the International Relations Club. He has been for the past few years, and is now, one of the outstanding debaters on the campus. This year he was manager of debate, and he fulfilled all of his duties most satisfactorily. He has been prominent in many athletic activities, and in all social activities about the campus, and his popularity is great amongst the day students as it is about the corridors of Roy Hall. Mr. Nolan has promised action on any problem which may come up at the regular meetings next year, and therefore we all look eagerly forward to that year which we hope will be greatest in the history of the College Club.

The other officers elected were: Vice-President, Gerald Sullivan; Treasurer, James Dugan; Secretary, Mary Cruise; Delegate to the College Council, Richard Shea; and, Alternate to the President, William Clancy.

The St. John Berchman's society held its final meeting for this year last Saturday evening. Rev. Father Cracknell, moderator of the organization, presented each member with a beautiful gift, for the fine efforts they displayed during the year. He presented each of them with a copy of "Imitation of Christ", by Thomas A. Kempis, in prayer-book form.

SIXTEEN RECEIVE DEGREES IN ANNUAL  
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES; MAY 30

Rev. Patrick C. Conway Addresses Graduating Class And Visitors; Rt. Rev. G. M. Legris Presides

SPREITZER NEW  
VIATORIAN CHIEFNamed To Succeed Bushman  
At Annual Banquet

At a banquet held May twenty-fourth in the faculty dining hall the members of the present staff of the VIATORIAN gathered for the last time. The hall was beautifully decorated with lavender and purple iris. A tall basket composed of white, cream and purple colored flowers was placed directly in front of the speaker's table. Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., President, and Rev. C. V. Marzano, C. S. V., Treasurer of the College, were guests of honor. J.

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SUMMER SESSION  
TO OPEN JUNE 26

New School Under Direction Of Rev. R. J. French, C. S. V.

Under the direction of Rev. Richard J. French, C. S. V., St. Viator College is introducing a Summer School session this year that will open June 26th and continue to July 28th carrying Junior College credit. In the past courses have been available to individual students from professors in residence during the summer at the College, but this is the first official Summer School session, a beginning which should continue in the future if the success it seems about to have warrants it.

Courses in Commerce, Literature, Languages, History, Education, Science, Philosophy and Public Speaking are offered prospective students. They are under the direction of the various members of the regular faculty who will continue residing at the College during this time. At the present time the number of registrations is quite large. It will increase considerably before the opening date of this Session.

SOCIAL SORORITY ELECTS  
OFFICERS FOR NEW YEAR

Several weeks ago, the Social Sorority met for the last time this year at the home of Miss Evangeline Legris, for the chief purpose of electing new officers for the next school year. After business discussion was finished, bridge formed the amusement, and later, an appropriate lunch was served.

The meeting resulted in the election of Miss Ruth Arrington, of Kankakee, who will succeed Miss Rosann Gorman of Manteno, as President of this worthy organization. Miss Arrington is a member of the class of '34, and in the past three years has been very prominent in all social activities. Her election shows that the members of the Sorority hold her in very high esteem, and recognize her ability to head such an organization. Miss Marie Smole of Bradley, was elected Vice-President of the Sorority, Miss Virginia Reilly was named Treasurer, and Miss Agnes Stelter was chosen Secretary. These are the officers who will lead the Sorority next year, and who promise that next year will be the greatest in the history of the Sorority.

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On this beautiful May day, when we are also commemorating Memorial Day, sixteen students received College degrees, two of which were young ladies. Due to the fine sunny weather, all the Commencement exercises were held out-of-doors. Right Reverend Monseigneur G. M. Legris presided over the ceremonies, and Reverend Patrick C. Conway of Chicago received the Degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, from St. Viator during the afternoon, and he also delivered the principle Commencement Day Address.

## Memorial Services

This busy day opened with the Memorial Day Mass, which was celebrated on the porch of Marsille Hall. The Celebrant of this mass was Very Reverend J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V. The Deacon of the Mass was Reverend Adhemar Savary, and the Sub-Deacon was Reverend T. E. Fitzpatrick, C. S. V. The Graduates and many friends, relatives and visitors attended the Mass.

After the Mass, the Memorial Day Address was given by Edward J. Hunt, Ph. B. Following this, came the Memorial Day Poem by Miss Evangeline Legris, A. B. The Memorial Day ceremonies closed with Ralph E. Hoover, Ph. B., President of the Graduating Class, decorating the crosses of Viator sons who were lost in the war.

## The Graduate Banquet

At noon, the graduates, faculty members, relatives and friends gathered in the College refectory, where the annual Graduate Banquet was held. This affair was presided over by Ralph E. Hoover, who acted as Toastmaster for the occasion. A toast to the "Day Students" was made by Paul LaRocque, and was followed by James Laffey's toast "To The Athlete". Next came a toast by Raymond G. Wenthe, "To The Faculty", and this was followed by a toast "To St. Viator" by John McGrath. Ralph Karr, B. C. S., spoke "To The Undergraduates", and William Clancy, '34, responded "To The Seniors". The closing remarks at



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Now that we are in the midst of publishing out last issue of the Viatorian it seems only yesterday we were wondering if the first issue would ever appear under our leadership. It has ben a long day though, and we feel quite travel worn. But the roadway has been bordered with many distinct pleasers—the chiefest being the friends we have made through this office with the students who otherwise might have continued mere smiling acquaintances at whom we remarked the state of the weather and the national politics. This has been a great year. We are told that more history has been made since March fourth than in any similar length of time recorded in the annals of the world. Their magnitude has placed us all in a shadow to which we are so accustomed that we fail to recognize the reality. This has been a crucial year in the history of the world, and in our own little world it has not been entirely uneventful. It marked the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the VIATORIAN. It has marked the revival in student interest that is remarkable. The day students have really made their mark during the past year, for they have emerged as real, active members in the life of the school. Formerly, their activities were limited by the very fact that they were at a distance from the college, but they have overcome this. They have entered into interamural sports have admirably supported the various activities of the College Club and the individual classes with a readiness that characterizes them as vitally interested in all that concerns the student body as a whole. The social sorority has engaged in numerous activities worthy of their record in past years. The VIATORIAN has endeavored to live up to the tradition for merit it has earned in the many years preceding.

And now we say, “Ave!” to our successor, Mr. Robert Spreitzer, a student in whom we have the fullest confidence, who is one of our warmest friends, upon whom we have relied and never been disappointed in all the emergencies inseparable from the editing of a newspaper, one whose journalistic abilities are unquestioned and whose sense of responsibility is unlimited. Any regret we might feel upon retiring from this office of great dignity is softened by the knowledge that such a splendid gentleman is to succeed us, and we are only sorry that we will not be able to serve under such a chief.

We leave him members of a staff in which most of the outstanding students of St. Viator were numbered. We know that he will enjoy such assistance from them as we have enjoyed during the past year, assistance that was willing and of great value. We assure him that he will have the support of the faculty as we have had it.

But the hour of graduation is fast approaching. We must hurry to make our last adieux. “Vale!” “Vale!” With Catullus we take leave not of a brother, but of those who are as close to us as brothers. It is farewell to the College where for four years we have studied and enjoyed ourselves, where we have made the friendship of great men, from whom we take away a treasure of knowledge nothing may take from us. It is farewell to youth.

OUR ENLIGHTENED LAWMAKERS

With all the reference in the newspapers and in the classrooms, we cannot but notice that we are living in an age in which real history is being made. Great problems confront all the legislators of the land, but still there are some lawmakers who believe that flag-waving will solve perplexities whose solutions should come only from sound reasoning. Evidently the legislators don't care to overwork themselves, for a bill was introduced in Springfield last week which make private schools subject to taxation and other penalties if they are suspected of having Red tendencies. Now Communism is a great and growing menace, but it so happens that many of the things that are thought to be so Communistic are only the products of common sense. And it likewise happens that the average politician among the first, like the shepherd boy of old, to shout, “Red! Red!,” when he comes in contact with anything that he does not completely understand.

Now if this bill is enacted into law, its enforcement will no doubt rest in the hands of more average politicians,—and then the law itself will become more of a menace than the menace it seeks to eliminate or curb. It may so happen that our institution may be among those penalized just because our distinguished Professor of Economics might choose to teach such theories as government regulations of the output of industry, or employee ownership of all the common stock of a corporation. Basically, these proposals are only logical, but to the old “stand-patters” they are highly Communistic.

As a result of the enforcement of this supposedly anti Red legislation, not only would economic progress be seriously hindered, but many privately supported colleges and universities might even be forced to undergo bankruptcy proceeding just because they dispensed knowledge that was a bit advanced.

The growth of Communism can best be stopped by advancing legislation that will promote employment and prosperity, and reduce governmental costs. Yet this same group of Illinois legislators who promoted this anti-Red bill are among the very ones who defeated all the state economy measures sponsored by the Democratic representative from this district, Judge Frank Burns, prominent Viator alumnus. Surely the time has come when legislators should at least try to be consistent by reducing costs and directly preventing the growth of Communism, instead of increasing costs and passing bills against schools having even slightly “pink” tendencies.

No doubt much such foolish legislation comes as a result of our party system of elections, wherein a group of office seekers are sent to our legislative halls just because they claim affiliation with a party whose slogan and purpose is to shuffle out a new deal. Our lawmakers should be trained for their positions, and should not be injected into our state capitols until they realize that it takes brakes to stop a thundering menace, not tin flags. Nor does this necessarily mean that they should all be lawyers. Far from it,—as that seems to be one of the greatest hindrances in legislative circles today. Our colleges should offer specialized courses to a selected group of students who intend someday to go as our representatives into our various state and national assemblies. It might even be better to follow out the course suggested by Plato in his “Republic”, wherein the members of the governing body goes through a training period of almost forty years before they enter upon the actual duty of governing.

C. M.

ORDINATIONS

The Reverend John T. Smith, '29, will be ordained into the Holy Priesthood by the Most Reverend Edward F. Hoban, D. D., on Saturday, June 10, at nine o'clock, in St. James Pro-Cathedral, Rockford, Illinois. He will say his first Mass on Sunday, June 11, at eleven o'clock, at St. Joseph's Church, Manteno, Illinois.

Rev. Paul Hutton, C. S. V., Rev. Eugene McCarthy, C. S. V., and Rev.

Roger Drolet, C. S. V., will be ordained to the Holy Priest hood by the Most Reverend James A. Griffin, D. D., Bishop of Springfield Diocese, at ten-thirty o'clock at Springfield, on June 10. Father Hutton will say his first Mass on Sunday, June 11 at St. Rose Church in Kankakee. Father McCarthy will say his first Mass on the same date at Resurrection Church in Chicago. And Father Drolet will probably say his first Mass at Maternity Church, in Bourbonnais, also on Sunday, June 11.

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# MEMORIAL DAY ADDRESS

BY E. J. HUNT

Today we are commemorating the apotheosis of that most difficult of all human gallantries, self-renunciation. It is in the nature of man to admire in others what is most difficult of accomplishment for himself and that is the ultimate reason why we are decorating the graves of our heroes. For to us who hug so closely to our hearts those precious entities that we call home and parents and worldly success, there is something as inspiring as it is incomprehensible in the spectacle of men who choose to fling the world and their lives away for the sake of an ideal. Monuments of unselfishness about whose base we pygmy men who are neither great nor generous play the petty games of everyday life, stand majestically aloof amid the welter of passing centuries, immortalized because they gave their all for country or for creed. It matters not to them that now their country may be untrue to their sacrifice; that the ashes on the altars of their god are cold, and grass grows long in the holy of holies; their deaths have created for them a world that is imperishable, a temple fairer than architect ever conceived,—the hearts of men. Sparta's a word, but Thermopylae is a flame and a challenge. The Zeus of Phidias has vanished from the face of the earth, and the Parthenon is crumbling into dust, but the ancient tale of how a man named Socrates drank hemlock in the gathering shadows of an Athenian afternoon will live forever on the lips of mankind. Indeed, to die that others may live, and live more nobly, is such a splendid and exalted act that God Himself thought it not unfitting so to pour out his life in the shame and glory of Calvary. It was He Who made this heroism, renunciation, a sacrament, of which only the bravest and strongest may partake. What men had done before out of the unaided resources of their own nature they did from that day of Golgotha with the added inspiration of a Divine Exemplar. Today we honor those who within our own memory have followed where He and the greatest or every age have led, who have died, not on scaffold or gibbet, but in the infinitely greater loneliness of a battlefield where nations, not armies, were at war.

For this well-nigh incredible spirit of sacrifice is not the monopoly of any particular age or place. It is a manifestation of a sublime impulse that comes to me regardless of their generation or nationality. Our century has been glorified by the spirit of utter self-forgetfulness which prompted its youth to go forth to death in the belief that they were freeing the world of an ugly and dangerous form of imperialism. A kind of benediction irradiating from the grandeur of that sacrifice streams over the nation into every town and village, every home and school that have known the tread of hero feet. Perhaps it is because the Cross and Marsille Hall lifts itself triumphantly to the sky that it seems to catch a more brilliant ray than some of the more pretentious buildings in the land. Or perhaps the soldier dead loves to bathe that symbol of sacrifice in his own glory. In any case St. Viator College rightfully deserves her radiant nimbus, for she too has nurtured heroes. In her classrooms she has molded intellects and trained wills for the supreme gift of self; and the eager limbs she strengthened in the gymnasium and on the gridiron were made ready for the guilling toil marches. Her children they were, and although she is proud of them she is also sad because they are hers no longer, since they belong to the ages. It is fitting that we

who are her students as they were, who have worked and played within her walls and on her campus as they did, who have known the same small triumphs and disappointments, the same dreams of success and half-smothered fears of failure, should be chosen by her to pay tribute to her beloved dead. It is especially appropriate that we who this afternoon are to attain what they too had hopes of ultimately achieving, should have a part in honoring them, Viator men all, not one whit less noble than their brethren of Oxford—

"Who took the khaki and the gun Instead of cap and gown".

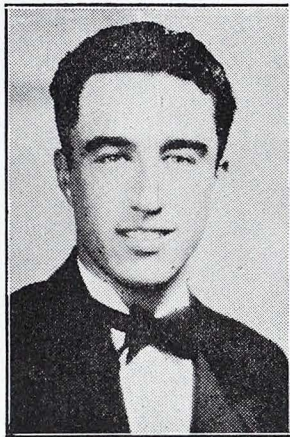
For us the diploma is an indication that our college education has been completed; the sheepskin that they received on the fields of Flanders was a passport to eternal life.

It is well to remember what in our enthusiasm for the spirit that prompted this holocaust we are prone to forget—that the nobility of these who have died is not a justification nor a eulogy of what conditioned their death. Let it not be imagined that because we admire the beauty of their sacrifice we approve the occasion which necessitated it. No sane man would dream of formulating a panegyric on crucifixion or death at the stake of such, merely because God and many of His saints have died by the one method or the other. It is the ideal for which they died that is the source of their fame. But ideals may demand lives as their due only when they are higher and more important than life, and they are worthy of the sacrifice only when they cannot otherwise be realized. The ideals of patriotism and of human liberty have again required that blood be shed for their sake. Undoubtedly many who died in the last conflict believed firmly in the reality and the worth of the ideals for whose safety the war was being fought. In the disillusion of the post-war era we have seen that the ideal was not pure nor the sacrifice necessary. In the sacred name of liberty and patriotism a few blind and stupid statesmen sent the world into a war, whose only victors were the dead. It is sublime and beautiful that men should hold their lives cheap in the purchase of a lasting benefit for themselves and their fellows, but for those who spill the blood of others deceitfully and needlessly there can be only hatred and contempt. Woe to those who dare to lay hands on the most precious treasures of the race, its ideals, and bend them to their own selfish ends.

There is an old and tragic story of how, long ago, Youth heard that God was passing by, and wishing to honor his Creator he bethought himself what he had to offer. He searched his abode from floor to roof in an effort to find a gift worthy of the Recipient, and the loveliest object he could discover was an alabaster vase that his parents had purchased at great expense when he was born, and whose value he had increased by filling it with spikenard, hoping that some day he might bequeath it to his children. But the best he had was poor enough for the Master, and so without thought of his loss he caught up the precious treasure and hurried through the streets to the house where God was resting, in the hope that although the gift was not magnificent, its exquisite workmanship might find some favor in God's sight. He elbowed his way through the crowd at the door, and asked from some who stood about where he would find the Master among those seated at the table. Now there were in the house certain men who saw the perfect thing that he carried, and divined his purpose. They

realized more than Youth the pricelessness of what he held, and they said to themselves, "God needs it not, for He has more already than he can use; but our prophet, whose name is Personal Advantage, sits yonder, alone and dishonored, and he is a connoisseur of the beautiful. Let this rash Youth unknowingly offer him the gift". So they said to the Youth, "There is he whom you seek". And Youth, who was unschooled in the ways of the world, prostrated himself in the dust before the figure whose face was hidden in the shadow, and breaking the precious vase of life at its slender stem, poured over those unworthy feet the precious distillation of his dreams. Turning to look up into the kind eyes of God, he found that he had anointed with all he had the feet of Mammon.

It is for us to prevent a repetition of this tragedy. Let the spirit of renunciation be manifested in the substitution of unselfishness for the destructive selfishness of nationalism and the vaulting pride of individual men. Then there can be no Pharisees to stand about the door, misdirecting those who come with gifts for God. And then that sacrament of renunciation of which we have spoken cannot be profaned by the unworthiness of those who would administer it to others for their own advantage. For it will be partaken of that we may have peace, not war, and it will sanctify not only those who approach to receive it, but all the world beside.



JOHN C. COMISKEY

"Jack"

Kinsman, Illinois

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After receiving his sheep-skin from St. Viator Academy, Jack decided that here was an institution which could offer him a College education which might stand up with any offered by numerable others throughout the State. Also, the companionships that he had already formed shortly after his arrival were many, and he concluded that here lay his greatest opportunities. We, the resident students have come to look upon him as one of us, since he took up his abode so close to the campus.

Despite the fact that it was impossible for Jack to engage in any athletic activities, nevertheless he was very active about the campus. His unassuming manner and good nature have made him ever welcome amongst all students and groups on the campus. His pleasing smile and ready wit have made him one of the most popular students on and off the campus. During his six years residence in Bourbonnais he has been a most hospitable host to innumerable of his friends among resident and day students.

We rejoice with him in knowing that he has made his mark in all his studies, but we will sincerely regret his leaving us. Handicaps will be mere stepping stones for this individual, whose determination and

## Unchanging Principles In a Changing World

J. KENNETH BUSHMAN

Man is a wanderer ever confronted with the mystery of three great questions—Whence came I—What am I—Whither am I going. In the beginning the universe was in a chaos, but the Creator gave it certain guiding principles from which order ensued. To man, the apotheosis of His creative powers, He gave a capacity to appreciate and follow three great principles which are to remain in existence, however, much their supremacy may be questioned, until the end of time. Experience has shown that when they are forgotten the world assumes the appearance of a madhouse and life becomes an empty vanity. When they are understood and accepted as guides sorrow and pain lose their bitterness. They purify the soul with the purging fires of sacrifice and suffering. When man has a deep understanding of them there comes into being the "philosopher king", Plato's conception of the ideal ruler, the poet, loveliest of nature's works, and the saint, most exalted of beings. These principles are Truth, Beauty and Justice.

Through the ages those minds which have towered above their contemporaries rearing stately towers of thought to pierce the heavens have ever loved these great principles with a pure and devoted love that partakes of divinity. They have striven to establish them more fully as the guiding forces in the lives of their fellow men. These few choice souls have dominated history, for they are the flower of humanity, the quintessence of human achievement and dignity. Human philosophy seemed to have reached the summit of perfection with Plato in ancient Greece. But it paled before Divine Truth made incarnate in Jesus Christ. He came to be the way and the life of mankind. He came to confirm the biblical answer to the eternal question Whence came I, and he taught the appreciation in humility of the innate greatness of a human soul. He himself was the answer to the brooding query—Whither am I going. Christ Himself is Truth. He is the divine philosopher. That he did not speak in verse does not obscure one fact that his was the most perfectly poetic soul the world will ever know. For in him the statement made by the poet of beauty, Keats, that "Beauty is Truth, Truth Be'auty" found its only realization. The perceptiveness, the purity of poetic genius were present in supreme degree in the Christ. While Truth is the greatest of the three principles, Beauty holds us more easily. In the words of Keats:

A thing of beauty is a joy forever

Its loveliness increases; it will never

Pass into nothingness, but still will keep

A bower quiet for us and a sleep Full of sweet dreams and health and quiet breathing.

He who possesses a perception of Beauty can never feel life to be utterly without meaning, yet without Truth he will ever be conscious of something essential lacking in his answer to those three questions. This accounts for the sadness never separate from the life of a great poet who has not possession of revealed Truth.

The third of the principles is much spoken of, and seldom found. But the man who is truly just in his relations to his Creator, himself and his fellow man is the greatest boon to

mankind. He has the courage to forsake all for the principles of right. Justice is as unchanging as the first or the second principles for certain laws are in force demanding that it be rendered all. They are frequently flouted, but their existence is a reassurance for all who seek them.

These three principles are ideals and man evermore turns toward them when he feels his material supports slipping from him. He finds that they alone are unchanging in a world where all is mutable. Fame, honor, wealth are won, but if these principles are not present the soul of man must search further for its true bourne of happiness. Until it looks upward and perceives these calm beacon lights of human and divine wisdom it will never have peace.

It is the wandering away from these fundamental principles in our great educational centers of today that presents the pitiable sight of man taught, sometimes not very well at that, how to earn a living at the expense of his learning how to live. The university that aims at material good alone is deliberately sealing its doom, by closing doors to its students, doors that would lead them to a realization of these great principles of life. It chooses for its students the lesser part, and of that they can never be sure. But that man who is taught to devote his life to a faithful search for eternal and unchanging truth, for the beauty that is all round and in him who shapes his life to the pattern of a noble conception of justice is never wholly without support. He is desirous of developing his native powers into character, the one asset no depression can attack or carry away. Each must do this for himself. The words of philosophers and poets may help to guide him, but the very fact of searching them out constitutes their greatest value. In this way man follows that great axiom of Aristotle "Know Thyself". The scales of materialism fall from his inner eyes. He becomes more sensitive to the sorrow and evil in the world, only to find his appreciation of the beautiful and good proportionately increased. He attains a breadth of vision, a calmness of judgment and brilliance of thought that the words of Byron that "Knowledge is Sorrow". This is the true and ideal product of a university. Anything short of it is not real education but mere development of a certain skill in mental gymnastics.

It is the purpose of a university to preserve as a sacred trust the possession of these three great principles, to lead youth to the fountain of learning where, refreshed with beauty, it is prepared to go in search of Truth and Justice and to correlate all knowledge into a great moving principle, a unity known as life.

The ideal men who are taught to live as well as how to earn a living constitute the best citizens of the world and of heaven. In the eyes of God and of their fellowmen they are beautiful to behold. Nowhere can this ideal be so well realized as in a Catholic College or University. For there Truth, both human and divine is firmly established, Beauty is triumphantly effulgent, and Justice is the acting principle.

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courage will overcome all obstacles which might confront him in the new life which he is about to begin.



## DAY-HOPPING

Now that the news of the softball league has flickered out except that Crawley's gang wound up with four wins and four set-backs, and Wally's boys, oh, well, they are probably squatted down in the cellar, we'll have to turn to their field. All in all it was one swell league, thanks to Father Harbauer's efforts.

Boy, oh, boy, everyone seemed to enjoy himself at the intramural track meet. And some one had the nerve to ask how many points the day hops rolled up in the affair. And we depended upon Don LaRocque for at least three or four firsts.

And by the way, Don, how are the violets these days? And not a chirp out of you, Smitty, or we'll blacken that spotless record of yours.

The wedding bells should ring out any time now in Grant Park. Yes Sir, we sure hate to see you leave, Soos.

William J. Clancy (J stands for Jargonelle. Look that up in the dictionary, Bill) alias "Yoo-hoo" Willie, is being seen too much in Bradley, and incidentally, Willie, we've got enough on you to send you up for a right smart spell, by crackey.

Ripstra, Richwine, the LaRocques, Smith, Sobol, O'Connell, Holscher, Legris, the Gormans and Snow (the Jinrikisha lads to you) will soon be off to A Century of Progress Exposition to draw their summer paychecks from Mr. Daggett. Because of the quantity of Viator representatives at the fair, it wouldn't be a bad idea to continue the softball league up in the Big City. There might be such teams as the "Daggett Dissectors" or the "Tudor-Ellis Torpedo-boats".

What the boys will be doing this summer—We expect to see Shirley Woulfe wheeling an Irish buggy; "dong dong" Bouillette making use of both moons; Lang filling in his father's shoes; Crawley, oh, nertz, we'll leave the Baldwins look after him when he's not gassing up; Spielberg teaching bridge; Schosser and Schneider fiddling around with test tubes and HCL; Baron sorting out mail; Drassler cavorting on Kankakee ball diamonds; Adolph waving the baton; Kirts keeping old Kappa Lambda Phi together; Bill Irwin from O'Connorville putting Irwin on the map; Walkowiak milking cows; Cooley Shining up the irons and niblicks; Dailey developing into a first rate dramatist; Burdick out scouting for snakes; the Comiskey's ambling around the village, and Heinie Berns operating a cement mixer.

Everything must have an ending so here it is. S'long till next year.

## ORATION CONTEST—

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fessor Jenkins, principal of Kankakee High School.

After serious consideration of all participants, the judges named the following winners in their respective contests:

Oratory: Mr. Eugene Kent, of Quigley, Chicago, was first, and Mr. Richard Kindregan of DeLaSalle, Joliet, was second.

Reading: Mr. Edward Zimmanck of St. Michael's, Chicago, was first, and Mr. Eugene Kent of Quigley was second.

Extemporaneous Speaking: Mr. Richard Kindregan, of DeLaSalle, Joliet, was first, and Mr. Gerard Brengener of St. George Evanston was second.

## FRESHMEN FROLIC HELD MAY 12TH

### Proclaimed A Real Success In Every Way

Lightning flashed like a two edged sword on the south eastern horizon, the steady patter of the rain furnished a muted accompaniment to the less subdued music within; the river, attracted by the noise, was restrained from entering and taking

its place on the dance floor only by the screens on the porch. Even the elements took the Freshmen Frolic very seriously. There was evidently a conspiracy on foot to prevent the social editor from depicting the Viatorians as gambolling on the green in the light of the full moon.

However, the absence of the w. k. luna could not offset the gorgeous music, the stimulation of close contact with many other couples, the utter charm of the place in which the dance was held. The Royal Melodians covered themselves with glory, the Viatorians . . . and others . . . exhibited an astounding knowledge of the arts of that Muse of Muses, Terpsicore. The rain continued to pour

down with admirable perseverance, the river looked in hungrily, the atmosphere wrapped itself around each and all impartially with the effectiveness and the persistency of absorbent cotton. But the guests at the Freshmen Frolic on the memorable evening, May 12, danced on and on, inspired by the unexampled leadership of Joseph Mahoney, the Freshmen President, who sailed about the dance floor with Olympian grace and dignity.

There is a rumor in the offing to the effect that the Freshman Frolic was successful in matters financial as well as matters social. We impart this information with fear and trembling, having no wish to ruin our re-

putation for veracity, and advise that before spreading the news any farther the students of St. Viator await sure confirmation, in the shape of a new observed and dully appreciated topcoat for Bill Phelan. When this phenomenon has been observed and duly appreciated let rumor be regarded as authentic, and let the Freshman Class spread abroad the glory of their unrivalled achievement.

We offer our sympathies and condolences to Rev. J. A. Gordon, '12, Pastor of St. Mary of the Woods Church at Princeville, Illinois, upon the death of his mother. The funeral was held on Wednesday, May 24, at Rantoul, Illinois.

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could  
ask for!



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words...*

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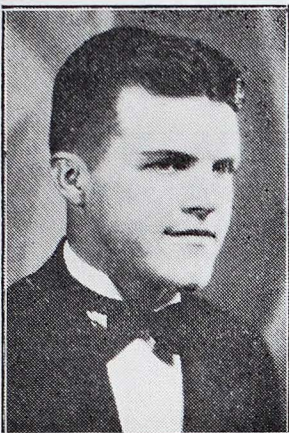
**RALPH L. KARR***"Snooky"*

Clinton, Illinois

Football 1, 2, 3, 4

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4

One of the finest and most popular of students in the past four years, Ralph Karr leaves behind him a record as an athlete that will be very difficult to duplicate in years to



come. His ability and popularity made him a leader among the students on the athletic field and in the class-rooms. During the past four years he has appeared on some of the finest and most successful athletic aggregations that ever represented St. Viator. He captained many of these teams, and shared this honor on many other teams. His abilities in all athletic endeavors are unquestionable.

As a student he has made a fine scholastic record. His friendships numbered all with whom he came into contact. In all social activities he was most prominent. His accomplishments in this phase of College life are almost comparable to those which he made on the athletic field.

His graduation this year will leave a great gap which can hardly be filled next year. But the records he has set will dominate the Athletic Annals of the College for years to come. It is our firm belief and deepest wish, that Ralph will be successful and happy in whatever he may undertake, upon leaving St. Viator; the ability he has shown and the progress he has made, is almost an assurance that this, our wish, will surely be fulfilled.

**ROSANN GORMAN**

President Social Sorority

Coming to St. Viator College in her Junior year after having won high scholastic honors at St. Mary of the Lake College, Notre Dame, Indiana, Miss Rosann Gorman continued her excellent work so that she is one of the three highest ranking students in the Senior Class.

Her charming personality has won for her a large circle of close friends and admirers. Her ability as a student and a social leader was recognized in her election to the office of president of the Social Sorority. She has ably directed the many activities of this important student organization in one of its most successful years.

Miss Gorman is to join the ranks of educators next year. Her many friends and classmates wish her every measure of success.

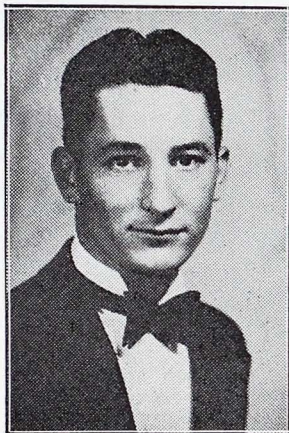
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**BANQUET TOAST  
TO THE SENIORS****WM. J. CLANCY**

There is one side about graduation which, in spite of all the garish and superficial sentimentality attached to it by ardent—a trifle too ardent—commencement day orators, nevertheless has something of real meaning and value about it. Graduation means the separation—almost the actual severance—of some of the finest friendships a man may ever develop. It means that when he steps down the rostrum, sheepskin in hand, to receive the sincere congratulations and hearty hand-clasps of those who have been an intimate and important part of his life for the past four years—when he divests himself of those garments which typify the last act of his college career—it means that he is leaving a world of which he will never again be a part. He is leaving there a group of friendships, an abundance of associations which, from that time on, belong to some past phase of his life.

We here in St. Viator have unusual opportunities to meet each other on the most familiar and friendly basis. We have the opportunity to cultivate, by means of this freedom of association, an organized unit, a body of men united and working together with common purpose toward a common goal. Truly this is an inspiration to the individual—to the under-classman to look to those above him, to those who have reached the top of the way—and to realize that they are co-partners in this common effort.

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**DANIEL O'CONNOR***"Danny"*

Class Treasurer 4

Danny O'Connor was among the DeLaSalle alumni to matriculate at St. Viator in September of 1929. He chose the science course and has followed that particular field during his college career. Whenever there arose a question demanding the knowledge of chemistry, organic or inorganic, or an understanding of the intricacies of calculus or analytical geometry, Dan's opinion was sought and his answer regarded as the final word.

With the mixing of chemicals, Dan added the mixing of blows. From the time Boxing was introduced at Viator as varsity sport, Dan has been its shining light. In his Junior year he was elected captain of the team and was an important factor in the team's highly successful season.

In his senior year the members of his class recognized his business ability by electing him to the important position of class Treasurer. His success in this capacity was equally as great as his former endeavors.

We feel confident that Dan will carry the colors of the class of '33 high up in the fields of chemical science.

**PAUL A. LaROCQUE***"Ambrose"*

Kankakee, Illinois

Debating 2, 3

President Day Students 4

Viatorian Staff, 3, 4

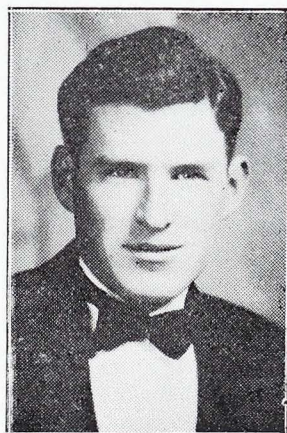
Dramatics 4

Fencing 3

With the graduation of Paul LaRocque, one of the most colorful fig-



ures in student life at Viator will be gone. For several years Paul has attended St. Viator in High School and in College. He has represented the day students in most of the more important activities of the College having been one of the most vociferous as well as successful debaters of the class which numbers several of the best in many years. Paul was a members of the various teams in the intra-mural leagues, playing basketball exceptionally well. Tennis occupied much of his time, and he was an outstanding member of the fencing team organized by Doctor Von Gabriel Besseney. His ability was only equalled by that of his classmates, Hoover and Wenthe. Paul was one of the most popular students for his vivid and charming personality won him a host of friends who upon his graduation wish him every success in the field of law which he expects to enter.

**EDWARD W. GORMAN**

Class President 3

Class Treasurer 2

Day Student Delegate 4

If there were to be an election to choose the most perfect gentleman in the College, Edward Gorman would deserve to win it. For two years he was a resident of Roy Hall and earned the reputation of being the most perfect gentleman there. His gentility of hearing, and his kindness were only equalled by devotion to his work. He was active in intramural sports, particularly basketball, for he was one of Manteno High's star players before he returned to St. Viator College. He had spent his third year of high school in the Old Academy.

"Ed" has been a keen student of philosophy throughout his four col-

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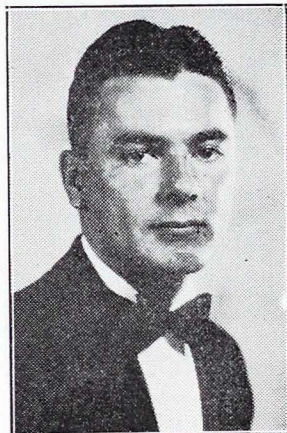
**BANQUET TOAST  
TO THE ATHELETE****JAME LAFFEY**

The purpose of all Catholic higher education is threefold. Just as it is necessary to train the student morally and intellectually, it is also necessary that he be developed physical-

In the classrooms and study halls we build up our minds, attempting to extract from books the real experiences and wisdoms of the authors. The moral influence of the faculty is enlarged by our courses in Religion and Philosophy, which play a great part in Christian education. But, recalling what the Greeks tell us, "a sound mind in a sound body", this training does very little in the development of those faculties that help in the perfect coordination of mind and body. And so, for this reason we find nearly all institutions a means whereby students may expand the potential possibilities that lie in their physical makeup. The athletic department with its diversified equipment to accommodate the sport and the season is maintained for this purpose.

It is to the athlete, therefore, that I pay tribute in this brief toast. Not merely to those outstanding players who "make the news" in the sporting pages of the daily newspapers, but also to those aspirants who must be relegated to the bench; for they also sacrifice time and energy which might be applied to some other endeavor.

The ideal athlete is the perfect amateur. He is the one who makes  
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**JOHN McGRATH***"Jack"*

Secretary College Club 4

Class Treasurer 2

A renowned lecturer told the students of St. Viator recently that a real student must go to the classics and the originals for knowledge. In this particular scholastic field, John McGrath has spent most of his college career. He is the only Latin major in the graduating class of '33. "Mac" has covered quite thoroughly, in the originals, the works of Salust, Horrace, Vergil and the other equally great Latin writers.

Although "Mac" has spent a good deal of his time among the ancients, it cannot be said that he neglected modern social life. On the contrary, his fellow classmates look upon him as their ideal representative in local or foreign society.

We are sure that if "Mac" adopts the teaching profession as his life's work, the "accusatives" of Sallust and the "datives" of Horace will become to his pupils as simple and as intelligible as the poems of an Edgar Guest.

Reverend Daniel O'Connor, former Treasurer of St. Viator College and now at Springfield, was among the guests at the Graduation Banquet, and Commencement Exercises.

**EDWARD HUNT***"Ed"*

Football 1, 2, 3, 4

Secretary 2, 3, 4

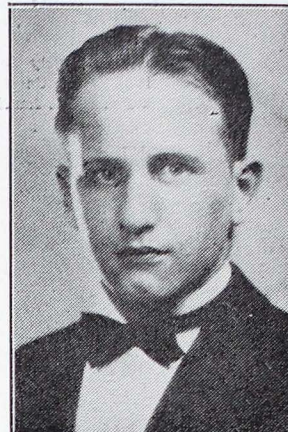
Dramatics 2, 3

Glee Club 4

Choir 3, 4

Memorial Day Address

When Ed Hunt stepped upon the campus of St. Viator four years ago,



DeLaSalle of Chicago sent an athlete, a gentleman, and a scholar. From his Freshman to his senior year, Ed's abilities as an athlete, as an organizer and a leader were recognized. He won the position of guard on the football team as a Freshman, and managed to hold that place in a very capable manner for the rest of his college career. In his senior year his fellow teammates recognized his ability as a leader and elected him captain of the team.

His class was the first to recognize his ability as an organizer, and he held the position of secretary with them during his Sophomore, Junior, and Senior years.

To his laurels as an athlete and a leader Ed added another, his adeptness in the field of dramatics. He has played a leading part in college productions of the last four years, which include the plays, The Two Shepherds, Marco's Millions, and the light opera The Mikado.

For his work in the field of dramatics, Ed deserves a world of praise and encouragement to his ever increasing ability.

The final word of all his friends and classmates is that he ever keeps in life the high ideals he exemplified as a Son of Viator.

**EVANGELINE LEGRIS**

Memorial Day Poem 4

Miss Legris has lent her support to all student organizations. She has been a very devoted worker for the advancement of the interests of the student body, particularly the Social Sorority. Her ability as a student, especially in the field of philosophy, is unquestioned. She is a real scholar, one who has worked assiduously and thoroughly.

Possessed of a vivid personality Miss Legris has become one of the most prominent figures in student life. Her perfect parisian accent, derived from forbearers to whom their native tongue was sacred even in a foreign land, has led her to adopt French as her most appreciated subject, although English was her major.

Miss Legris intends to teach next year. Everyone wishes her good luck.

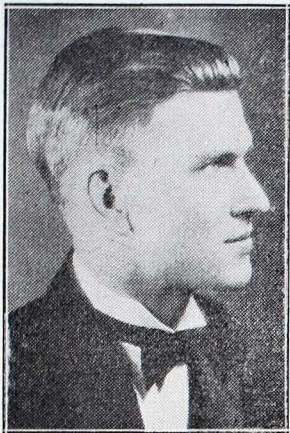
**Students! Aulmni!  
and Friends!  
Meet On  
JULY 4th  
AT ST. VIATOR**



**J. KENNETH BUSHMAN**

Viatorian 2, 3, 4  
Managing Editor 2  
Editor-in-Chief 4  
Dramatics 2, 4  
Choir 3, 4  
Class Treasurer 3  
Glee Club 4  
St. John Berchman's 2, 3, 4  
Bachelor Oration 4  
Vice-President Berchman's Society 3  
Latin Medal 2  
Debating 3

With a college career largely devoted to the pursuit of scholastic attainments "Ken" Bushman has found



his greatest outside interests in journalism, dramatics and music. Coming from Spalding Institute of Peoria with a high scholastic record he started what he hoped would be a brilliant period of activity on the gridiron. However, he soon discovered the mistake and limited his activity chiefly to the classroom, VIATORIAN office and the various musical organizations on the campus. As a Junior he won second place in the annual Essay contest writing upon the question of disarmament, a favorite subject. He was an active member of the International Relations Club considering it to be one of the most important of campus organizations.

The Pooh-Bah of Gilbert and Sullivan's Mikado he gave a perfect characterization of that "haughty and exclusive person of Pre-Adamite ancestral descent". As organist for the St. Viator choir he helped in the formation of an organization of vital importance in the life of the College. Though limited to participation in only three debates because of other activities which demanded his more immediate attention his respect for the value of debating was unbounded. He was chiefly interested in English and languages, teaching the Ciceronian orations in his fourth year. He was a devoted admirer and follower of Dean Lynch, considering the course in English poetry as the outstanding one of his college career.

**ED GORMAN—**

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lege years at St. Viator. His leadership was unquestioned by his fellow students. As President of the Juniors he was in large measure responsible for the unusual amount of activity that characterized the class last year.

Ed perhaps more than anyone else has achieved the philosophic mind and heart that should result from a course in the arts and sciences. His material and spiritual success rest assured. During the last semester he has taught in Manteno high school. After his graduation he will continue his work as a teacher with the ultimate objective of studying law. The best wishes of all his friends are ever with him.

**BANQUET TOAST  
TO ST. VIATOR COLLEGE**

**JOHN F. McGRATH**

Four years have been blessed in this habitation of wisdom and charity. Four years in the search after causes, and motives, and means to an orderly and happy existence for the rest of lives—four years that have passed with the speed of four short holidays. And now there is an end; and a short moment for thanksgiving. Our illusions have vanished. In the clear light of reason, we can review our resources, standing enthralled before the spectacle. Foremost, therefore, among our convictions, is that this day is a day of dedication.

We are no artists, genius has not visited our groping personalities, we are, at best, but ordinary men. What must be said at this time, needs must be said inadequately. We find the emotions within our hearts transmitted into a concrete form, an uninspiring tribute, and one which probably shall command no wonderment from dilettantes. But the emotion sustains its fire and strength; and shall remain "an adornment of the soul"—reflecting inward daintiness.

In this last hour, then, we salute our Alma Mater, and speak our hearts in a respectful benediction. May St. Viator College ever be blessed in her efforts to enlighten ignorance and to bring to growing minds clear visions of Goodness, Truth, and Beauty.



**JAMES B. HUNT  
"Jim"**

Chicago, Illinois  
Baseball  
Vice-President 2  
Secretary 3  
Viatorian 4  
I. R. C. Club 4

For the past four years Jim Hunt has been one of the most prominent gentlemen on the campus. His cheerful personality and willingness have won for him a host of friends, both on and off the campus of St. Viator. Jim came to us from DeLaSalle High School of Chicago, with a fine reputation as student and athlete. As student, he has proved himself to be much better than average. Although Jim appeared on but one Varsity squad, he was ever active and popular in all Intra-Mural sports.

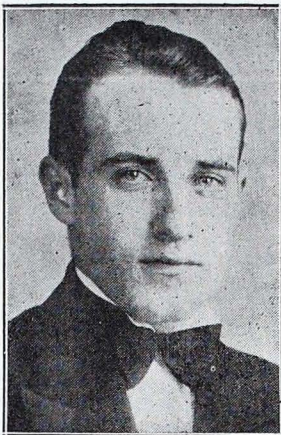
In his first year, Jim was on the Baseball squad. As a Sophomore, he served in the office of Vice-President. As a Junior, he held the office of Secretary. His Senior year found him a member of the VIATORIAN Staff and also a very active member of the International Relations Club. His versatile nature and unassuming manner have stamped him as one of the outstanding members of this graduating class.

**Remember The Fourth  
At Viators**

**GILL MIDDLETON**

Viatorian 1, 2, 3, 4  
Debating 2, 3, 4  
Debate Manager 2, 3  
President 2, 3  
Secretary 4  
Vice-President Holy Name Society 1  
President 2, 3, 4  
Class Delegate 1  
Class President 2  
Bachelor Oration 4  
Chairman Homecoming Dance 2  
Dramatics 1, 4  
Glee Club 4

With the graduation of Gill Middleton the most active man on the cam-



pus will be gone. He was one toward whom all looked for help in any project whatsoever. His keen intellect and his limitless energy helped him to accomplish more than any other student. His sense or responsibility was such that no project undertaken by him, ever failed through a lack of effort on his part. For three years he held the position of bookkeeper for the refectory. This work demanded many hours of his time every week, but he did not permit it to interfere with the task of achieving a splendid scholastic record and a reputation for extra-curricular work that few could equal.

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**JAMES W. LAFFEY  
"Pete"**

Chicago, Illinois  
Baseball 1, 2, 3  
Football 2, 3, 4  
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4  
Vice-President College Club 4  
Vice-President 4  
Christmas Play 4  
Viatorian 1

In September 1929, there appeared on the campus a young gentleman who was destined to make Athletic History in the annals of this College. Pete Laffey came to us from DeLaSalle High School of Chicago, with a fine reputation as a student and athlete, and he has certainly lived up to those recommendations. During the past four years he has been an important factor in practically all of the athletic teams of St. Viator. His scholastic record is no less laud-

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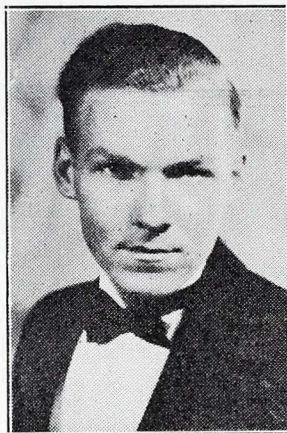
**BANQUET TOAST  
TO THE FACULTY**

**RAYMOND WENTHE**

In behalf of the graduating class of 1933, I wish to extend our most sincere thanks and heartfelt gratitude to the faculty. All that they have done for us could never be told in words or repaid in material things. Their influence cannot be reckoned nor measured, and we oftentimes tend to underestimate its greatness. The fact remains that we have felt it, and it has left its mark upon us. It shall show its effect in all our works and thoughts, and serve as an inspiration to do always what is right and considerate.

What the faculty has done for us can never be entirely associated with separate ideas; but the sum total of these ideas shall manifest itself in a general sense of growth and broadening of our minds. What matter then that recollections may become hazy in years to come, when we have the knowledge that they were beautiful, and did heighten our appreciation, and left us far nobler than before. That is all we can ask of existence—that each experience, each bit of knowledge shall bring us closer to perfect happiness. The truth is always good; and the faculty of this college has dedicated itself to the vocation of assisting Catholic young men and women to the attainment of the truth.

They have sanctified our intellects.  
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**RAYMOND G. WENTHE  
"Red"**

Chicago, Illinois  
Viatorian Staff 2, 3, 4  
Class Delegate 1, 3  
Class Secretary 2  
Debating 2, 4  
St. John Berchman's 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary 2  
President 4  
Sec. International Relations Club 4  
Choir 3  
Dramatics 4  
Fencing 3

Raymund Wenthe has the distinction of being the only member of the class who has attended both St. Viator Academy and College completing his eighth year May 30th. Having attained high scholastic honors during his four years in the Academy Mr. Wenthe continued his career in College by returning after one year's experience in the world of traditional coldness. He has been active in intra-mural sports, and extra-curricular activities in general. In his fourth year he has appeared as Pish-Tush in the production of "The Mikado". His experience as a debater in the Bergin Society has been highly successful, for he is quite as much at home on the rostrum as in the realm of social activity. For eight years he served as a member of the St. John Berchman's Society on the altars and, in his fourth year of college, he was elected to the position of honor as President of that society.

**RALPH E. HOOVER  
"Herbie"**

President College Club 4  
President Senior Class 4  
Viatorian 1, 2, 3, 4  
Editor-in-chief 2  
Debating 1, 2, 3, 4  
Secretary 3  
Publicity Director, 2, 3, 4  
Valedictory

The record of Ralph Edson Hoover exemplifies the phenomenon of one who has the reputation of being the most talked about man in College both for good and for bad reasons. His record explains all the good that



is said of him. The simple statement that for two years he was editor of the notorious column known as "The Campus Briefs" is sufficient explanation for the latter. For "Herbie" found ample time after all his many official duties were fulfilled to discover all the current gossip of the campus. He considered himself the most heartily disliked individual at St. Viator, but he is wrong, for he has given the title to his successor in that department.

Mr. Hoover's accomplishments speak for themselves and for him. He has been a true leader of student opinion. His conduct in the College Club Elections of this year proved him to be a real parliamentarian. His record as a debater, as one to be feared by all opponents, has been exceptionally brilliant. He has served efficiently as Editor of the VIATORIAN and as director of Collegiate Publicity. Both of these offices he held as a Sophomore and the latter department has been under his direction for three years. Mr. Hoover is an outstanding student, one whose name has become synonymous with great achievement. While he would make a very good Senator, we think he will make a splendid President. For if the newspapers don't get him politics surely will. His talents are such that nothing short of the greatest honors are due him, and we feel assured that it is a question of only a short time until his name is heralded throughout the land associated with great deeds.

**TO THE ATHLETES—**

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the sacrifices, not for mercenary gain, but the satisfaction that results in the achievement of an end. It is the amateur who is the best sportsman. It is the amateur who plays cleanly, is a modest winner, and a good loser.

And in this graduating class of 1933, there are many who have been measured by this norm and found worthy. Men of courage and fair-play, who have served their college loyally and diligently. Men with whom I have played, whose names will grace the annals of athletic history in this College for all time. Men whose skill and courage have made St. Viator a "worthy opponent" in all fields of athletic endeavor. I salute those men who answer to the names of: — Hunt, Jim Hunt, O'Connor, and Karr.



# Commencement Day Addresses

Rt. Rev. Patrick C. Conway

This scene of Classic splendor brings the mind back to the day when human thought was inspired by Divine light and purified by Pentecostal fire. To the day when the twelve graduates of the School of Christ, vivified with the spirit of knowledge, wisdom, and sanctity, and fortitude set out to fulfill their God-given mission "Teach all nations". Don't let these few words of Scripture scare you, I am not going to preach a sermon. The commencement address has been to my memfortune set out to fulfill their God-send to a lot of simple minded newspaper men and comic artists. They have pictured the young man and woman graduate standing on the stage radiant in the conviction that the world is anxiously awaiting their arrival for salvation—its salvation—and we heeded the comic suggestion and laughed heartily at the presumption, and the power, of the young, and the good and the true. But my dear young graduates, I believe the world today, suffering and almost exhausted from a distemper of dishonesty, perjury, ambition, avarice, sensuality, all combined in hated selfishness, is sick of the politician, and the racketeer, of the dishonest and the insincere, is sick of the order of the day, perjury and bribery, is through with iniquity in high places, purchased favor, and endowed crime, and calls out for a new deal and a clean deck, a clean mind, and a clean man.

The world is hungry today, perhaps as never before, for the bread of true philosophy and true theology, of pure principles, and pure conduct, of intellectual culture and cultured intellectuals, of men and women knowing the right, speaking the truth and doing the good.

And where will we look for such leaders, and lieutenants for such generals and soldiery, but to you and such as you. Your are unstained by the pollution of the world; you are forewarned of its deceptions; you are fully equipped with armaments of defensive and offensive warfare against the false, the cunning and the selfish. You have the best of the knowledge of the past, and directed by Christian philosophic principles and aided by correct scientific theories you will marshal the forces of history, literature, science and experience into a charging column of conquest and victory.

Do not forget, that discipline, if not the soul, is the ration of the army. Be faithful to the discipline of your ethics as her expounded to the discipline that has made you true to right, cautious of deceit and considerate to your fellow man. Have ever blazoned on your banners "Ad maiorem Dei gloriam". And he who is true to his God cannot be false to any man. Today you go forth anointed with the unction of prayer, and crowned with collegiate victory.

Your Alma Mater depends on you; honor and virtue welcome you; the world will test you.

Go forth, Christian athlete, and show your prowess. Let your light shine before men, let your voices ring out in defense of right; let your works be good; let your ambitions be noble; let your aspirations be higher and higher; let your lives be an eloquent tribute of gratitude to the Alma Mater that thinks for you, studies for you, and prays for you and lives for you. Be not seduced by the world's allurements not the world's maxims.

Truth is immutable. You know the truth, now live the truth. I know it is frequently said that an honest man cannot make a living,

and a truthful man cannot draw an audience. Nothing is farther from the truth. Ninety-nine percent of our people want to deal with the honest man, and ninety-nine percent want to hear the truthful man.

What man, in our times or all times in our country, drew larger audiences, elicited longer and more sincere acclaim. What man in the history of our country was the recipient of greater and more numerous encomiums from adversary and partisan alike, than did the illustrious, four times governor of New York, and the once defeated candidate for the presidency—Alfred E. Smith. And why? Because he was truth and honesty; because truth dictated his speech, and honesty shaped his actions; because he was no policy man; because he had convictions and the courage of them. Even though he was told that he might lose the presidency by warning his countrymen against the poisonous serpent of bigotry, in his campaign, like another John the Baptist, he forced his way into the court of Herod, and convicted him with incest against religion. He was not afraid to speak the truth and drag out that loathsome monster and exercise it, and compel it to admit its satanic origin. What was the presidency or the loss of it to him, if by exposure to the light of truth, he could neutralize that poison that was eating away the fabric of our flag, and blasting out the letters of our bill of rights. He lost—but he won. He lost the presidency, but he won a place in the hearts of his countrymen, than which none is dearer.

I will not say be honest for dishonesty is a crime. I will not say, be truthful because to lie is disgraceful. I will not say, be industrious because the sluggard is despised. I will not say be thrifty because the spendthrift is a fool. I will not say, be pure and temperate because their opposites are loathsome and destructive of career and character, but I say be honest because Eternal justice demands it. Be truthful because a lie is an abomination in the sight of God. Be industrious for God will demand an account of the talents entrusted to you. Be thrifty because God will exact an account of thy stewardship. Be pure and temperate because your bodies are the temples of the Holy Ghost and purity and temperance must abide within you.

## VIATOR PLAYERS—

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Princeville. Having a strong, clear tenor voice he gave excellent renditions of the solos, but his finest work was in characterization. Pish-Tush, a noble lord, was sung by Raymond G. Wenthe, '33, of Chicago, who was very amusing and thoroughly satisfying to the ears, in his role.

### Success

The production represents many difficulties overcome in the attainment of high and thorough success. In a very particular way it is the work of Miss Harriet Gillette who labored unceasingly with the idea of ultimate success alone to reward her efforts. No praise could be too high in Miss Gillette's regard. Fr. Maguire has earned the gratitude of every member of the cast. He unselfishly sacrificed a great deal of his extremely valuable time to foster the dramatics on the campus by his direction of this work. The Mikado stands as a triumph of student and faculty cooperation in a worthy project.

## Dean To Address Fall Banquet Of Educators

Rev. Richard J. French, C. S. V. Dean, has been asked to address the members of the National League of Compulsory Education Officials at their twenty third annual conference to be held at the Palmer House, October ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth. The topic upon which Fr. French will address this very important organization is "A Study of Truancy in Chicago Schools". The speech is to be printed. The invitation was issued the Dean of St. Viator College by William L. Bodine, Superintendent and Chairman of the League.

The subject of the speech is one upon which Fr. French is an authority, for it constituted the major portion of the work done by him while studying for the Doctor of Philosophy degree which he secured from Chicago University. The invitation is a recognition of his ability and learning in the field of educational research. Dr. French is also head of the department of education at St. Viator College.

## COMMENCEMENT—

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the banquet were made by Very Reverend J. W. R. Maguire.

### The Final Graduate Services

Following the banquet, the procession continued to the porch of Marsile Hall. The honorary guests of the day and the several speakers took their places on the porch immediately above the Chapel entrance. The Graduates occupied places on the lawn immediately in front of the porch. Immediately behind the graduates sat the hundreds of relatives, friends and visitors who had come to view the ceremonies and congratulate the graduates.

The ceremonies at Marsile Hall were opened with the Bachelor orations of Kenneth Bushman, A. B., and Gill Middleton, A. B. Mr. Bushman spoke on "The Unchanging Principles of Education", and Mr. Middleton followed with "The Application of the Unchanging Principles".

### Conferring of Degree Upon Rev. Conway

Following the Bachelor Orations, came the conferring of the degree of Doctor of Laws, upon Rev. Patrick C. Conway of Chicago, by the Right Reverend J. W. R. Maguire, President of St. Viator College. After the proclamation had been read, Father Conway proceeded to deliver the Commencement Address which was the principle speech of the day. The whole of Father Conway's speech may be found on other pages in this issue of the VIATORIAN. It was probably one of the finest commencement day speeches ever delivered at St. Viator College, and will go down in the history of this institution as such.

### Degrees and Honors Conferred

Following the address of the Rev. Conway, Ralph E. Hoover proceeded to give the Valedictory, which proved most interesting, and ranked with the best ever uttered at graduation ceremonies upon this campus. The subject that he chose to speak on was titled, "The Heritage of Catholic Education". Mr. Hoover, the Valedictorian, Ph. B., was president of the Senior Class of '33.

Immediately following the Valedictory, came the bestowing of degrees and honors upon the gentlemen graduates, by Rev. J. W. R. Maguire.

Then arose the Rt. Rev. Msgr. G. M. Legris, who is ever the most impressive figure in all our College ceremonies, came forward to pronounce the Benediction, and thus six-

# Program of Commencement Day Exercises

## Morning Program

Memorial Solmen Migh Mass, Celebrant Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V.

Deacon—Rev. Adhemar Savary.

Sub-Deacon—Rev. T. E. Fitzpatrick, C. S. V.

Memorial Day Address—Edward J. Hunt, Ph. B.

Memorial Day Program—Evangeline M. Legris, A. B.

Decoration of Crosses—Ralph E. Hoover, Ph. B., President Senior Class.

## Banquet Program

"To the Day Student"—Paul A. LaRocque, Ph. B.

"To the Athlete"—James P. Lafey, A. B.

"To the Faculty"—Raymund G. Wenthe, B. C. S.

"To St. Viator"—John F. McGrath, A. B.

"To the Undergraduate"—Ralph L. Karr, B. C. S.

"To the Senior"—William J. Clancy, '34.

5Closing Remarks—Very Rev. J.

W. R. Maguire, President.

Toastmaster—Ralph E. Hoover, Ph. B.

## Commencement Program

"The Unchanging Principles of Education" Bachelor Oration—J. Kenneth Bushman, A. B.

"The Application of the Unchanging Principles" Bachelor Oration—Gill Middleton, A. B.

Reading of Citation—Rev. Richard J. French, C. S. V., Dean.

Conferring of degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, upon Rev. Patrick C. Conway, LL.D.—Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., President.

Commencement Address—Rev. Patrick C. Conway, LL.D.

Conferring of honors and awarding of degrees to the graduating class—Very Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V.

"The Heritage of Catholic Education" Valedictory—Ralph E. Hoover, Ph. B.

Benediction—Rt. Rev. Msgr. G. M. Legris.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. G. M. Legris Presiding.

teen members of the Class of '33 pass into a new life—into the roll of the alumni of St. Viator College, being the Sixty-Fourth Graduating Class to be written into the annals of this institution.

## BANQUET TOAST

Toasts to the Undergraduates

### RALPH L. KARR

It is my pleasant yet sad duty this afternoon to convey to the undergraduates of St. Viator College those sentiments and ideals which have been ours during the past four years. Not maudlin sentimentality but sentiments of noble friendships and contacts which have so strongly developed during the formation period of our lives at St. Viator College. Sentiments so strong that they are a part of our very character which can never be effaced or forgotten. Not ideals in the sense of pipe dreams or utopian attainments, but ideals in the sense of high and worthy yet tangible ends set before us by the faculty of St. Viator College to guide us to an appreciation of, and participation in the more worthy things of life.

It is a sad duty inasmuch as it signifies our departure from the halls of St. Viator where we can truly say we have spent the happiest days of our lives; but it is a pleasant duty in that it is a part of another great accomplishment of St. Viator College in its great task of education.

The most worthy advice I might offer to you, undergraduates, is simply that you enter earnestly and completely in the Spirit of St. Viator College. Be not solicitous for the outward manifestations, the show and the pretense of higher education. Be humble, humble enough to enjoy whatever you may be doing for the good that is in it, and not for the mere accomplishment of the commodity common to us all—human vanity. Live in your youth for the art of living is far more important than that of knowledge.

Finally, be convinced of this, that education is a lifelong process not to be condensed into four short years. We leave you in the hope that you will not only retain and carry in the few standards that we have endeavored to maintain, but also that you will take up the threads which we have broken in our carelessness. Mend them and attach them to your per-

sonality, so that the remaining years of your college life may prove to be a wise and fruitful experience.

And now upon the man who has been singled out as one of the leaders of the undergraduate body, upon the president of the Senior Class of 1934, I have the honor of conferring the symbol of seniorial rank, the cap and gown. May it be to you and your classmates, Mr. President of the Senior Class of 1934, a cloak beneath which you will carry the dignity, the gentility and the high integrity befitting Catholic College Gentlemen.

## Wm. CLANCY—

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office by Robert Nolan, and the former's margin of victory was not very great. Bill has made a fine record since his Freshman year, and with the cooperation of all the class members, he will make the Senior Class of '34 one of the most outstanding in the history of St. Viator.

also held the office of Vice-President Miss Smole, a resident of Bradley, in her Freshman year. Gerald Sullivan, of Chicago, is also Treasurer of the College Club for the next school year. Charles Byron, who claims (or disclaims) Bourbonnais as his home, has held the office of Secretary for three years, and so his work should not seem very new to him.

With these officers taking the lead, there is not doubt but that the Class of '34 will be successful in any and all problems which it might undertake during the year.

## BANQUET MAY 24th—

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Kenneth Bushman, Editor, acted as toastmaster.

Fr. Maguire spoke of the interest he felt in the College newspaper and its achievements. Before making known the appointment he explained the need of selecting a student upon whom the faculty might rely for promptness and responsibility in the fulfillment of the duties of editor. In the light of this consideration Mr. Robert L. Spreitzer, for seven years a members of Viatorian staffs while a student in the old Academy and later in College, was named the new editor-in-chief.

During the past year he has served as one of the two editors of the Sport page. Mr. Spreitzer is a student of journalism and was president of the Junior Class of '33.



# .. BACHELOR ORATION ..

T. GILL MIDDLETON

You have listened to a masterful oration concerning the unchanging principles of Truth, Justice, and Beauty, and their existence in a changing world. Perhaps some of you may wonder if it is still possible to hold to such ideals in this modern industrial age. You may even believe that ideals are something to talk about, and not to be put into practice.

Have you ever stopped to consider that if we had more of this idealism, this strict adherence to the principles of Truth, Justice, and Beauty, we would have less of the political, moral, and economic evils that now beset us,—because these principles are fundamental in that they come from God, the Immutable.

These undying tenets are not mere abstract terms, they are the very life and breath upon which all humanity must necessarily depend, despite the fact that they are so difficult of attainment.

The world abounds with many unnoticed, but real scholars who are continually in search of truth. They live in the monasteries and convents, in the universities and the colleges, and even amongst us in every day life. We can never realize our debt to these men and women, those who have made our literature and sciences what they are. We shall always be under obligations to them for providing us with the analogies and the examples which aid us in the understanding of supernatural truth.

This truth, about which we speak, is merely the conformity of the mind with reality. But yet, as simple as it may seem in its definition, it is difficult of attainment because of the smoke screen thrown about it by man's false logic and his general inability to understand it clearly.

Nowadays we read much of the so-called conflict between religion and science. Yet, really, there is no conflict, because science and religion are but two different phases of the same truth, and truth cannot contradict itself. This apparent conflict results through a misunderstanding.

We are told of scholars and theological writers that our definite conception of Justice is but a mere shadow of the Justice that is administered by God. The higher the concept we have of Justice, the closer we approach the infinite Justice of the Creator. Down through the ages men and women have fought vigorously for this higher concept. However, the forces of selfishness have put the bandage on the eyes of the Justice, and have prospered by their insidious acts. But the Justice of God will eventually destroy these ill gotten gains.

There is a crying need today for a rebirth and a rehabilitation of man's concept of Justice. All about us we see glaring inconsistencies in our courts, in society, in industry, in fact in all things human. Yet we raise but a meager protest, principally because our concept of Justice is not upon a higher basis. We need more men and women who will sacrifice practically everything in life, in order to attain some resemblance of the Divine concept of Justice.

One of the most glaring of the many modern injustices is the one perpetrated upon working men by failing to give them a fair return for their share in the production of the profits of industry. Our present economic disaster has taught us that if justice had been done to the employees of the world in the form of increased wages, the catastrophe would not have occurred.

Although we may not be directly connected with giving fair wages to laboring men, it is our just duty to demand that the goods we buy be

produced by employees who are receiving proper remuneration for their services.

The English essayist, John Ruskin, realized that a study of the beautiful leads men closer to God and nature. And today we need a return of the spirit of Ruskin to guide us towards a true appreciation of the beautiful.

Beauty is nothing more than God's reflection in nature, and our needs must uphold the beautiful to understand the other two eternal principles. There can be beauty in every act man performs, but there can likewise be ugliness if he does not apply the proper co-ordination.

Reason demands that we ever maintain our ideals of Truth, Justice, and Beauty, but Reason likewise demands that we apply these ideals in our every day life. If we do not, then we sin grievously by violating the rationality which God has given us to solve our problems.

We must become better acquainted with these eternal principles, or our whole civilization will come toppling down upon us. We must rise above the material and familiarize ourselves with the immortal. We must touch the stars while still keeping our feet upon the earth. We must never allow the one to separate us from the other.

It is in colleges like St. Viator that we, who are to fight tomorrow for these eternal principles, must be trained; for in such institutions alone is given the religious background that is necessary for the proper understanding of Truth, Justice, and Beauty.

## CAMPUS BRIEFS

Graduates come and graduates go, but it seems like Tennyson's brook "we stay here forever". There is nothing like sending the graduates of this year out into the cruel, cruel world with some advice; "Don't take any Woodin Nickles (I knew we would get that pun out of our system some time) . . . It looks as if the baby of the graduating class would have to go back to farming for a career . . . Yes, we mean John Kenneth Bushman, the twenty year old child prodigy of St. Viator . . . Now with Ken gone some of the other boys ought to have a chance at Yolanda . . . Ken surely did the "rush act" the last month . . . I'll bet my roommate's last clean shirt that Pete (he of the "Athletes Toast") Laffey will be the first to ring the wedding bells . . . No, just a prophecy . . . and she won't be a Chicago girl, either . . . Nothing can be said of the Hunt boys that is scandalous, but we'd like to know why Mary Hunt wouldn't talk to us when she learned we wrote this scandal-mongering column . . . Ho-Hum, just another possible friend lost. (O' press, where is thy sting?).

Kankakee papers please copy . . . How did Orrain Allen work up enough Intestinal fortitude to wear his white suit to the Senior Dance . . . Sorry this year is over Allen, for we did like to fight with you . . . Where was Hoover the night of the Dance . . . He was there for one dance, and then he did a disappearing act . . . Where was he, Miss Smole? . . . Harriet Gillette . . . all is known . . . That was a nice party after the "Mikado" Saturday night, wasn't it though . . . Gibbons thinks so, as do Burns and O'Mara, and as do also Misses Riley and Ryan.

How did the Co-eds picnic turn out . . . I hope a lot better than the one they had last year . . . Bill Phelan must have made money on the



Standing: Pooh-Bah, J. Kenneth Bushman, '33; Ko-Ko, John Cronlin, '34. Seated (rear): Katisha, Mary Cruise, '35. Seated (front): The Mikado, Edward Hunt, '33. Yum-Yum, Teresa Gray, special student. Nanki-Pooh, James Foohey, '35.

Freshmen Brawl . . . he is keeping Gendron Legris at his home this summer . . . What with Legris and the rest of the "Day Dogs" working at the World's Fair, one won't be able to walk around the grounds without falling over a Viatorian . . . We always did say that the Viatorians did have a lot of "Push" (comprehend the pun, people) . . . Employment news: Dugan working as a Drain Inspector in good ol' Bloomington this summer . . . quite apropos, we would say . . . No offense meant Jim . . . Rip Riley, of "Bad Luck" fame, is now a private secretary . . . To what a pass things have come these days . . . Hoover must like this climate when se stays all summer . . . Here he come now with the younger of the Smole Sisters shadowing him . . . Love makes the world go around, and going around makes one dizzy . . . We hope you like it, Erby . . . Burke Monahan is spending the summer at Fox Lake . . . we wish we knew why for sure, but of course we could surmise . . . At that it is a long way from Chatsworth . . . Wenthe finally handed in his thesis, four days late, but even at that it was pretty good for him . . .

Fourth of July should be a red letter day for the Viatorian Students . . . there is talk of cheap beer . . . Bet all of Bloomington will be down here then . . . Dugan ought to lead another parade that day . . . Sullivan, of the Chicago "O'Sullivan's" is helping to pay for the Trianon rent already . . . Wonder if Gill Middleton is still going to stay here and work in the Purple Peak (don't blush Bob) now that he is a man with a Degree . . . His rommie Jawn McGrath headed for Peoria . . . Heaven help the people in Peoria . . . Another school master joins the ranks with Ed Gorman punishing the Educational methods of Father French by teaching three R's at Peotone . . . will it be school teaching???? . . . for Rosann Gorman, now that she is a sweet girl graduate . . . we wonder

What school-spirit . . . some of the loyal St. Viator Students went down to see King Kong while the graduation exercises were going on . . . How was the show, Doyle? . . . Wonder if Gene Ryan will be able to fill Hoover's shoes in the publicity office next year . . . we are talking of shoes, not ears, now . . . Who is going to be the assistant to the Fashion Editor on the Viatorian next year . . . Sez you, Spreitzer . . . At last the writer of this column finally backed a candidate that won, and won honestly? . . . Shea, Dugan, Hoover and Spreitzer went the way of all flesh . . . Thanks Clancy, for

coming through a winner . . . Boy, was that track and field day a riot of fun and color . . . Nolan would fall over his own feet and nearly kill himself . . . Revell, being temperamental and refusing to run in the relay . . . Sullivan pinch-hitting, and even with this handicap, the Juniors were able to beat out the Seniors for second place . . . Those Freshmen are really fast men . . . Baker and that snappy retort, which will really go down into Viatorian History . . . But, all in all, it was a fine day filled with much entertainment, and no casualties (except for aching backs and weary legs) . . . With the coming of next September will also come more cannon fodder for this disreputable sheet and also, we hope some new coeds . . . for some of the fellows around here are so hard to please . . . With this we bid you adieu . . .

## Musical Groups Conclude Successful Year

The musical trio which has functioned at many affairs during the year, played for its last time this term on Graduation Day at the Banquet. The trio was composed of Miss Mary Cruise, violin; Miss Harriet Gillette, viola; and Mr. Donald Hickey, piano. Their work during the year tended much towards the success of the many activities that were sponsored here, and we thank them for the effort put forth, and the fine entertainment they afforded us at our social gathering.

Another musical organization of the campus made its final appearance of the year at the Graduation Exercises, namely, the St. Viator College Glee Club. The numbers they selected for this occasion were very appropriate and well executed. Many thanks to Miss Harriet Gillette who devoted much time and energy to the development of this chorus, and to Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., who succeeded in bringing our Glee Club before the microphones of radio station W. C. F. L., on many occasions during the past year.

We can only hope that these two groups which performed so well this year, will still be alive and just as successful in their efforts next September, when the College will reopen for a new year.

May we quote from an article in the "Tower", a publication of the Catholic University, at Washington, D. C. concerning Allan J. Nolan '30 "The greater part of credit for the success of the Shahan Debating Society, goes to Allan J. Nolan. It is well-known that the position of coach of debate requires a great deal of time and labor, and yet pays very little. Mr. Nolan accepted the task without a grumble and produced results which have been pleasing. The University needs more men like him. Two of Mr. Nolan's proteges were successful in winning the two first prizes in the "Rector's Prize Oratorical Contest", held recently at the University. Since Al left us, we have been receiving such reports, and we sincerely rejoice with him, and hope that his success will continue.

We wish to acknowledge the fine letter and welcome donation of Mr. Frank S. Sowa, LL.B., LL.M., and congratulate him on his appointment to the office of Registrar of the Seminar Department of the Chicago Law School. Mr. Sowa attended St. Viator in '25 and '26. We sincerely hope that his success will continue, and that we shall have the privilege of hearing from him again, soon.

Among the prominent Alumni gathered for the Graduation Exercises was Mr. Thomas L. Warner of the Class of '11. Mr. Warner is one of our outstanding alumni. He forms part of the Warner Construction Company of Chicago, and he was the contractor for the new buildings on the campus which were erected in 1926.

## CELEBRATE

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# Valedictory

Ralph E. Hoover

Light was the first gift of the Creator of mankind. It came into the world before man himself was born. In creating man, God made a creature of two distinct parts—the body, and the soul. To each part was assigned a duty—to the body was given the duty of supplying itself with food, that it might prolong its existence; clothing, that it might not freeze; shelter, that it might be protected against the inclemency of the weather. To the soul was given the duty of fostering its two faculties—the intellect and the will. The will, in itself, is blind, but God gave to man an intellect—reason—to guide that will. That reason, stunted in ignorance, undeveloped by education, is utterly powerless. By the voice of nature, then, man cries aloud for education—for light.

The Catholic Church depends more upon that light than any other institution in the world. Consider her dogma. Without light there can be no salvation, for the act of faith, while it is a submission to the pronouncements of God, is none the less an intellectual act. The will may command the intellect to bow down and believe, but the essential act of faith is an act of intelligence, of receiving light and accepting it. Light therefore, is knowledge, and the Church could not exist without knowledge. The necessity for answering this call for light, then, comes naturally to that institution that has the attainment of the vision as its end.

Realizing its duty towards its children, the Catholic Church has been the careful mother of education and instruction. She has spread her light over the world, the light not merely of divine, but of human knowledge. During the days of her triumphal reign, during the medieval history of the civilized world, wherever she has set her foot, she left the commemoration of her passage in the colleges and universities she founded. No need to speak to you of her Benedictines of her Augustinians, of her Franciscans—no need to speak to you of Paris, of Bologna, of Oxford, of Alcuins, of Abelards, of Aquinas. Genius looked to her cloisters and to her colleges for its necessary development. The Church said to mankind, "Come to me and I shall give you light. There is no single power in your soul, not a single faculty, either intellectual, moral, or spiritual that I will not bring forth into its full bloom. You require knowledge for intelligence—every form of human knowledge—that I shall give to you".

Yet the Church in these golden days was not without the educational adversaries. The school of the world—open for countless centuries—held its doors wide, eager to instruct youth. Its appeal was the appeal of self-interest. All the professions, all the mercantile operations, all the duties and pleasures of life appealed to the individual to seek his own self-aggrandizement—his own self-indulgence—to make life a pleasant and a happy thing for him alone.

Not so with the Church. With the foundation of faith, she sought not to instruct men in the love of self, but in the love of his fellow-man. Just as self concentrates the heart of man, narrows his intellectual and spiritual horizon, makes him turn in upon his own contracted being and so narrows every intellectual and spiritual power within him; the teachings of the Church enlarge and expand his heart, widen the horizon of his own intellectual view, and lift him above himself.

What is that which distinguishes

man from a beast? Is it the strength of limb? Is it the gracefulness of form? Is it a sense of superior sight or hearing? We have not the swiftness of a stag, the strength of a lion, the keen sight of a hawk. Yet the labor of man must be distinguished from the brute labor of animals. The distinction lies in intelligence, in his ability to recognize truth, justice, and beauty. The church alone recognized then, as it recognizes now, that the education of man must not stop with the satisfaction of the problems of the body, but must have as its primary end the satisfaction of the cry of the soul. To that end has she dedicated her teachings and her schools. In the words of her master, "That you may have life, and have it more abundantly".

Today, just as in centuries of old, the Church finds itself opposed by a school of the world. Today she finds greater secular universities crying out to man, "Come to me, and we will teach you how to make a living". And the answering cry of the Church today, just as in the ages past, is, "Come to me, and I shall teach you how to live!" And while the secular halls of knowledge are littered with a wreck of incoherent systems she alone exhibits a theory of knowledge complete in itself, harmonious and consistent—the heritage of ages of arduous toil in the task of giving to man light.

That heritage is the parting gift of every Catholic college to its students. That is the gift of St. Viator to us today. And as her children go forth, we realize that her fervent prayer is that even nobler than the highest culture of their intellects shall be the culture she has instilled in their hearts, teaching them to find in the fear of the Lord the beginning of wisdom, and its fullness in Him in whom alone are hidden all the treasures of knowledge.

## TO THE FACULTY—

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they have strengthened our wills, theirs has been the work of God. Their teachings, their influence, their example; we shall always cherish and strive to follow—the memory of them and the days we spent with them will be forever with us.

Great plans are being made for the Fourth of July celebration to be held this year, which promises to be the greatest ever sponsored by St. Viator College. Already Rev. C. Marzano, College Treasurer, is busy making preparations so that this celebration will be one for friends and visitors as well as students and alumni.

## MIDDLETON—

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For four years, he was a most active member of the VIATORIAN staff. He was one upon whom each successive editor relied for support of the most valuable kind. His literary merits were recognized by his winning second honors in the essay contest when he was a Sophomore.

His leadership won him a position of honor in the Holy Name Society when he was yet a Freshman. This leadership has not diminished, for he has repeatedly held posts of great responsibility until the very end of his college career.

He is one of the outstanding debaters of St. Viator College. That is the highest compliment which can be paid any student. The Senior class is proud of Gill Middleton and the ranks of St. Viator Alumni have in him a most distinguished member.

## LAFFEY—

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able than that which he has made in the field of sports. His popularity was not confined to a group, but he held the admiration and respect of every student with whom he came into contact.

In his Freshman year, Pete served on the staff of the VIATORIAN, and was a most efficient and valued asset of that student publication. In this, his Senior year, he has served as Vice-President of the College Club, and also held that same honorable position in the Senior Class. He has acquitted himself most honorably in the class room and on the athletic field, and it will certainly be a difficult problem to fill his place in future years. With his pleasing personality and his ambitious, cooperative spirit, it is needless to say that his success will continue to grow, regardless of where his vocation may lead him. And he carries with him the admiration and the best wishes of the entire student body.

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## TO THE SENIORS—

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You who are graduating here today have bestowed upon us indeed an honor and a privilege—and also a responsibility—as your successors. Intimate associates through these years in St. Viator, yours has been the hand, the agency which made the rough spots smooth, yours the encouraging smile when there seemed to be ruts in the road pulling us from the way. We know no higher honor than to accept from your hand the title of Seniors of 1934. It is our hope, it is our prayer that we may carry as well as you have the standards which have always stamped Viator graduates as real men and Christian gentlemen.

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## Gala Celebration To Be Held On July 4th

With the preparations well under way, the Fourth of July Celebration this year promises to be the biggest and most exciting ever sponsored by St. Viator College. As in years past, it will be a day when Alumni, Students and Friends may renew old friendships, and spend one day that is really filled with thrills and excitement; a day filled with entertainment for the young people and the elder folks also.

Plans have already been made to hold a great banquet in the College Refectory, and invitations are already being sent out to all students, alumni and friends. And the price which is to be charged for this affair is so small that no one will find it impossible to pay for such an extraordinary meal as is to be prepared for that day.

There will be a baseball game in the afternoon, but as yet, the teams have not been picked. But we may say with assurance that the game will be one well worth watching as they always have been in past years at these celebrations. For those who would prefer themselves, to indulge, there will be tennis, handball, or swimming. And there is no better pool to be found—none so cool and refreshing—as that of St. Viator's, at the gymnasium. Aside from all these, there will be the midway which will offer games and entertainment of all kinds.

The evening will hold just as much excitement and enjoyment. There will be dancing in the Gymnasium, with a popular orchestra providing the music. There will also be a monster demonstration of fireworks which should appeal to the old as well as the young.

There's a day that is really filled with entertainment, and surely, you can't afford to miss it. So, let's all meet at St. Viators on the Fourth for one big day that'll be filled with fun.

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