

Debaters Continue Debates Over WCFL

On December 18 George Bresnan, '40, and William McCue, '40, represented the College in an interesting and timely radio discussion with Wheaton College on the subject of neutrality. With admirable conciseness and displaying a thorough understanding of the subject, McCue and Bresnan presented a resume of recent applications of American neutrality acts of the problem surrounding our interests in the Sino-Japanese undeclared war.

Resuming the radio debate series on January 8 Brother Martin McLaughlin, '38, and Wilbur Mayo, '40, participated with students of DePaul

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Mr. John Wertz Dies January 1

Mr. John Wertz, father of Edward Wertz, '41, passed to his eternal reward on January 1 from a heart attack. Mr. Wertz was born in Monticello, Iowa, in 1881. He took up his residence as a youth in Aurora, Illinois, where he spent the remainder of his life. Much of his life was spent in serving the city of Aurora, as an Alderman, and later on as its Mayor for many years.

A Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated at St. Nicholas church in Aurora on Wednesday, January 5, at 9:00 o'clock. The Rev. C. Marzano, C. S. V., Treasurer of the College, represented the faculty, while Edward Dunn, '41, represented the student body at the Mass.

Both the members of the faculty and student body wish to extend their deepest sympathies to his widow, and to Edward his only child. The Rev. Paul Hutton, C. S. V., Dean of Men, offered up the Requiem Mass in the Chapel on Wednesday morning for the repose of the soul of Mr. Wertz. The members of the freshman class have shown their sympathy by offering up a spiritual bouquet for the repose of his soul.

Mrs. Deutsch Wins Afghan

Mrs. J. Deutsch, of Chicago, Illinois, was the winner of an Afghan which was raffled in the Kankakee Armory last Saturday evening between the halves of the basketball game. The raffle was sponsored by the Parent's Club for the purpose of raising funds to decorate the College Chapel, and to secure the new pipe organ.

The Afghan, a truly exquisite piece of needlecraft, was very generously donated by Mrs. Willard Bach, mother of J. Emmett Bach, '39, a well known figure on the Viator campus.

Father Cardinal, in the name of the faculty, extends his sincere thanks and congratulations both to the Parents and to the students for the fine spirit of cooperation which they have displayed in making this raffle the huge success that it was.

Junior Dance To Be Jan. 15

Bill Cahill, president of the Junior Class, has made all necessary arrangements to insure the success of the Junior cotillion. As has been previously announced the dance will be held Saturday night, January 15. On that night, approximately three hours after twilight, scores of Viator lads and their lassies will grace the beautiful Gold Room of the Kankakee Hotel. To all intents and purposes, the Juniors have decided that nothing should hinder them from obtaining the best in the way of accommodations for their social debut.

The bids are being sold for \$1.00 But the best is yet to come, for Bill has secured the services of Nap LaFrance and his yodeling swingsters. Nap LaFrance and his boys need no introduction, for time and again they have been acclaimed as outstanding in this vicinity. If student support is an indication of success, this dance will without doubt be the most successful of the year. For according to Harold Sandquist, the genial vice-president, in charge of ticket sales, reports that advance sales are unusually encouraging. Tickets may be procured from any of the class officers.

Debaters Enter State Tourney

Debating will again occupy the campus spotlight when selected teams of the Bergin Debating Society participate in the Illinois State Normal Tournament on January 14 and 15. At this time the personnel of the teams who will represent St. Viator has not yet been announced by the Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, debate coach.

No debate decisions will be given, as this is to be primarily a practice tournament, and the fullest advantage of a post-debate criticism cannot be had if the judge must announce a decision. In this way, the judge, freed from the necessity of substantiating his decision, can concentrate on telling the debaters the means they can employ to improve their case and general debating technique.

St. Viator will be represented by teams in the first and second team divisions. Debaters entered in Division 1 must debate, alternately, both sides of the question, while the teams in Division 2 will confine their efforts to one side of the question.

The debate proposition, as has been previously announced, is, "Resolved: That the National Labor Relations Board should be empowered to enforce arbitration of all industrial disputes."

Two teams have just returned from a debate with Northwestern University's Wranglers in Evanston. Forensically formidable Wheaton College will meet two St. Viator teams on January 13 in a debate to be held in the Seminar Room of the Library.

Fr. Bergin to Address Sodalists

The Rev. William J. Bergin, C. S. V., Ph. D., LL. D., Head of the Department of Philosophy here, will address the Holy Name Society in the Commons Building next Friday evening, January 14. Although Father Bergin has not announced his topic as yet, he will select some topic of vital interest at the present time.

Father Bergin has a reputation as one of the outstanding lecturers in the country today, and is particularly noted for his rigorously logical method of approaching his subject. As is evidenced by his article on "Bahaism" in the current issue of the Viatorian, Father Bergin is also noted for his very clear and trenchant style of writing and speaking.

The lecture on "Birth Control" which he delivered at one of the Sodality meetings last year is remembered by all as being one of the most interesting and instructive lectures ever delivered at a Holy Name meeting here. With the knowledge that the coming meeting will be both interesting and valuable, the Holy Name Society is making preparations for accommodating the largest crowd of the year.

Fr. Cracknell in Address; WGN

As we go to press, word is received that the Reverend William J. Cracknell, C. S. V., has again been invited to participate in the Midday Service over radio station WGN on Tuesday, January 11, at 12:35. The topic of the address given by Father Cracknell is, "Religion and Happiness."

For the past two years Father Cracknell has spoken frequently over the Chicago station and has been recalled time and again to address an ever increasing audience. The secret of his popularity may be attributed to the interest and enthusiasm he displays in acquainting his listeners with the contemporary secular and ecclesiastical problems. Though in full realization of the fact that his work has, even at its present mature stage, just begun, his admirable work must be commended. It has been with admiration that we have witnessed his radio success. It is with surety gained from past experience that we look for his continued success.

CROWLEY PROMOTED

Mr. Crowley of Kankakee, friend and benefactor of the College, has recently been promoted to the position of District Manager of the entire Western Division of the Public Service Company, with offices in Oak Park. This is the second promotion which Mr. Crowley has received within the past six months. We take this opportunity of congratulating Mr. Crowley upon his recent good fortune, and hope that he will continue to be successful.

Fr. Maguire Begins Radio Talks Jan. 2

"Night Club" Huge Success

One of the most superb, original and entertaining events in recent years made its debut in the form of a night club "Club Noel" on the Viator Campus immediately preceding the Christmas Holidays. The spirit which permeated the entire evening was characteristic of the well chosen name of Noel.

A great deal of praise and laudation is due to Miss Mary Anthony, '38, president of the Viator Sorority, who in collaboration with the Glee Club of the College made this event possible. Special commendation is also due to the Reverend M. P. Loughran, C. S. V., director of the Glee Club, for the splendid recital given prior to the dancing, to the College Band under the direction of Brother George Carson, C. S. V., to Thomas Ashe, '40, for his novel ideas and cooperation in the matter of decorations, and to Dan Ward, '40, for his stellar role as master of ceremonies. The floor show and other forms of entertainment also merit special consideration.

With the waiters, hosts and hostesses, a cigarette girl, with the many gay couples at tables and on

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New Organ For College Chapel

By Dick Powers

There is no doubt that everyone in the College was agreeably surprised when, upon the return from the Christmas Holidays, he beheld a real pipe organ in the College Chapel.

He recalled how many times in the past the old harmonium had broken down in the middle of Mass, or at benediction when the regular organist was absent, the unwary volunteer couldn't make "the thing go". All that is now happy memory.

Due to the generosity and kindness of the Parents' Club, a Johnson pipe organ was donated to the College. It was originally built in 1835, which makes it over one hundred years old. Yet organs were so well built in those times that it was possible to rejuvenate it within the space of ten days, making it in many respects far better than a new one would have been. The case is made of solid walnut, hand carved—a thing of exquisite beauty.

It is of nine ranks of pipes, with thirteen stops, boasting of a reed stop in the seal of unusual brilliance, and a four-foot flute of unsurpassing beauty, both of which would ornament the finest organ in the country. Mr. Joseph Wimperly of Chicago, was commissioned to recondition and install the instrument. At some date next month as yet to be definitely set, Richard J. Powers, the College Organist, will give a recital upon the new instrument.

The Rev. J. W. R. Maguire, C. S. V., Head of the Department of Commerce here, resumed his radio talks on Sunday, January 2, over station WCFL, by conducting a Round Table Discussion on the League of Nations. In the discussions, Father Maguire was assisted by the Very Rev. Dr. E. V. Cardinal, C. S. V., President of the College and by Dr. John Tracy Ellis, Professor of History at the Catholic University of America.

The speakers considered three main topics: First, should the League continue as it is; second, should the League be reformed; and third, should it be abandoned entirely. All were agreed that the league should not be entirely abandoned, because there is so much in the covenant that is worthwhile. They pointed out, also, that some kind of reform was highly desirable, but very difficult of attainment because the nations who profited by the world war are using the League as an agent for retaining their ill-gotten gains. Even with the unfortunate failure of the League to settle the Japanese and Ethiopian questions, it has shown

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E. LaMontagne Dies January 5

The Reverend Brother Edward George LaMontagne, C. S. V., a native of Bourbonnais, after an illness of six months died Wednesday, January 5. He was buried in Maternity cemetery from Maternity church, Bourbonnais, on Saturday. Solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung for him at 9:00 o'clock by the Pastor Reverend Walter J. Surprenant, C. S. V., assisted by Father French, C. S. V., as Deacon; Father Landroche, C. S. V., as sub-Deacon; and Father Cracknell, C. S. V., as Master of Ceremonies. Father Armstrong, C. S. V., one of his associates at the Novitiate preached, and his fellow novices assisted as acolytes and incense bearers. His fellow scholastics at St. Bernard Hall kept vigil over his body and recited the Rosary and De Profundis every hour for his eternal repose. Many priests and religious accompanied relatives and friends to the grave where the last absolution was given by the Provincial Father O'Mahoney, C. S. V.

Brother Edward was born in Bourbonnais, September 2, 1915, the son of Joseph LaMontagne and the late Rosanna Boudreau. Several brothers and sisters mourn his loss. After completing his elementary studies in the village school, he entered St. Viator's High School, and after graduation became a novice at the Viatorian Novitiate, Lemont, Illinois, September 7, 1933. His first profession took place in the Novitiate Chapel a year later, and then he resumed his studies at St. Viator College. After two years he was appointed to teach English at St. Joseph's College, Berthierville, Province of Quebec. In June, 1937, he

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WHO'S WHO ON THE CAMPUS

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Bahaism, An Intellectual Absurdity

By Rev. William J. Bergin, C.S.V.,
Ph. D., LL. D.

A few days ago in "A line of type or two", a brief article appeared entitled: "The Bahai Temple". The writer no doubt with absolute accuracy made the following statement: "They (the followers of Bahaism) have no creed, no doctrine." The fact is that no such individual and still less an organized group of individuals, except imbeciles and idiots ever did or even can exist, because the claim is an utter absurdity which is self destructive. Any group which makes such a claim stands self-convicted of stupidity or hypocrisy or both, stupidity, if the members of the group really believe what they say; hypocrisy, if they do not, and both if they try to force that sort of intellectual chicanery upon a patient public.

A mere definition of terms should be sufficient to demonstrate the truth of these severe strictures. Truth is sometimes compelled to be cruel. A creed is a belief, an opinion or a conviction about anything. Quite generally it is a body of such beliefs, opinions or convictions. The creed may be religious, political, social, economic, scientific, philosophic, literary etc. A doctrine is anything taught or maintained by an individual or a group of individuals.

With these simple definitions before us, let us apply a little elementary logic to the astonishing declarations: "They have no creed, no doctrine." Either the followers of "Bahalism" have beliefs, opinions or convictions about something or they have not. If they have, then they have a creed of some kind, since by definition that is what a creed

means. If they have not, then quite obviously they cannot express a belief, an opinion or a conviction about anything. If a man has no opinion or conviction, he certainly cannot express an opinion or conviction.

In the first alternative they are convicted of hypocrisy, because they pretend to have no opinions which in reality they have. In the second alternative they are reduced to mere imbecility or idiocy, because they could not so much as formulate a simple, declarative sentence. Low grade imbeciles and idiots are the only known humans who do not rise that high in the scale of intelligence.

If "Bahalism" has been correctly represented by "a line of type or two", the same conclusions necessarily follow its definition. "Bahalism" has sometimes been defined—as a synthesis of all religions." There are two important implications in this statement which involve an absurdity: first that all the religions of the world can be synthesized or united into one consistent and coherent whole, and secondly that "Bahalism" has actually achieved this amazing synthesis.

Surely no one can be ignorant of the fact that some religions teach doctrines which absolutely contradict what is taught by other religions. Mohammedanism, for example, teaches that Mohammed was the greatest of all the prophets and that he received directly from God the most important revelation ever vouchsafed to man. Most other religions believe that Mohammed was no prophet; that he received no revelations from God.

If "Bahalism", as is claimed, has the magic formula to synthesize, reconcile or unify all religious contradictions, then it should be equally competent to synthesize all other contradictions, political, social, economic, philosophic, etc. Will someone explain to an eager world how contradictions can be made equally acceptable to a rational mind? Will some learned Bahaiist demonstrate to the distracted and bewildered children of men the all-conquering magic of its new founded wisdom?

BASKETBALL SHOTS

By Bob Burmeister

The 1937-38 basketball schedule of the Irish has started in earnest. The "Big" game of the season will be with DePaul University on February 9 in Chicago. Did you know that DePaul's great fives have won only five out of eighteen games from Viator teams?

When St. Viator defeated Western State Teachers of Kalamazoo, Mich., it was their 262nd victory.

Fables in Basketball:

Once upon a time there was a basketball crowd who agreed with every decision that the officials made, even though the home team lost.

In the first three games of this season, Frank Claeys has proven to have the most accurate eye. Babe has made seven field goals out of eleven attempts, and has garnered sixteen points. He was closely followed by Red McElligott who has made eleven shots from the field out of twenty-four attempts. Red has made twenty-nine points. Frank Straub has been high point man gathering thirty-three points.

Old Man Injury has been visiting the Viator squad. Frank Straub and John Burke have suffered injuries to their legs.

The Irish have been sinking their shots from the free throw line. They have made eighteen out of twenty-seven tries.

Luke Gleason from Trinity High, Bloomington; Tony Sacco who hails from St. Ignatius, Chicago, and Phil O'Connell from Spaulding Institute, Peoria, are new members of the Varsity squad.

Things we would like to see:
More student support at basketball games.

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Viator to play and defeat Notre Dame.

Things we will probably never see:

A game with no fouls.
Luke Gleason out jump Bud Monahan.

Blazevich play a game without shouting.

The Arkansas State College Coach, Mr. Wendell Davis, told yours truly, that Bud Monahan was one of the most consistent players he had ever seen.

Did you know that Viator has played Valparaiso University twenty-one times in basketball, and has defeated them fourteen times?

In the last two seasons, the Irish have won 34 games, and dropped only 11. From 1919 to 1922 the "Green Wave" teams have won 60 games and lost 19.

The men on the "B" squad who look like varsity timber for next year are Cashman, O'Brien, Radozovich, Halpin, Winterbauer, and Hientzman.

Did you know that one of the greatest forwards to play on any Viator team was Byron Evard? In a game at Valparaiso University Evard made 17 points before any other player scored a point.

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Famous last lines:
The officials were against us.

Maguire Begins—

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itself very useful in more than thirty cases.

Father Cardinal gave a very plausible reason for some of the failure of the League when he said "It is rather interesting to note that although the United States was one of the countries instrumental in bringing the League into existence, yet this country never joined it, which may account in some little measure for the possible partial failure of the court."

On the following Sunday, Father Maguire and Mr. Ley, Professor of English here, had a very timely and interesting discussion on Modern Literature. Both Father Maguire and Mr. Ley are authorities in this field.

Radio Station WCFL, The Voice of Labor in Chicago, has given Father Maguire, in addition to the regular half hour debate program on Saturday afternoon, an additional half hour on Sunday evenings, during which time Father Maguire conducts his forums. The kindness of this station to Father Maguire and to St. Viator College is deeply appreciated by both the members of the faculty and student body of the College.

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Ward Says:

Unfrequently found are those men of genius who prefer to let their deeds live after them rather than loudly proclaim them to their contemporaries. In the foremost rank of these few was Hans Sachs, Nuremberg cobbler. He not only developed and trained the Meistersingers of Nuremberg, but also wrote five thousand songs, seventeen hundred short stories, and several hundred dramas. Richard Wagner immortalized Hans Sachs and the Meistersingers of Nuremberg, but Sachs was content to leave as his epitaph the verse he

had written for childhood: "Hans Sachs was a shoemaker and a poet, too."

And still some people persist in using the first person "ad nauseam". Shortsighted, short-lived fools!

Without seeking to assume the pontifical air of the serious student of human nature, it is nevertheless my conviction that most people are in many respects extremists. They're either too conservative or too liberal, too circumspect or absolutely thoughtless, too impressionable or not impressionable enough. It is of the concrete of these last two qualities that I wish to speak—vagabondia I'll wander completely from my starting point and tell you a about three of the most impressive things I know.

The first is very nearby, serving well as an example to us that have eyes and see not. It's just a weatherbeaten cross in a country churchyard, the little churchyard in Bourbonnais to the north of Roy Hall. One strolling about will invariably be drawn to the wooden cross which stands as a mute reminder of Golgotha's three hours. It conjures up visions of the Man who was crucified as a criminal but who prayed for His executioners because they knew not. The pained eyes of the figure on the cross look down upon a broken slab of stone. Despite the effects of time and weather one can read the inscription—"The world was made by Him and the world knew Him not."

The second thing, which I have

only seen pictures of, is located at the top of one of the great snow capped peaks of the Andes. Looking down upon a world of war and violence, of unbelief and hatred, stands a great statue of the Prince of Peace. On the base of this figure are the words, "Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust, than the people of Argentine and Chile break the peace which they have sworn to maintain at the feet of Christ the Redeemer." It is of things like this that man can rebuild a world.

The third in the series of which I speak occurred a few years ago at the Chicagoland Music Festival. As thousands sat, enthralled by the program which was sponsored by the modest bearer of the most ar-

resting title in newspaperdom, a young crippled boy was assisted to the platform. As he painfully made his way across the large dais a ripple of sympathy crept from the huge tiers of Soldier Field. But when he began to sing a strange unbelieving silence replaced the murmur. Then came another audible wave of expression—Why does he sing that? It was horribly incongruous, almost ludicrous. Behind me a woman softly wept, "Do you hear—he's singing 'I Love Life'."

If you get caught in hot water, be nonchalant, take a bath.

Stop me. I'm killing myself with laughter. (I can think of better ways. Ed.)

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STUDENT PAPER

Nothing is more conducive to humility than to compare current issues with previous issues of the VIATORIAN; especially when it was edited by men like the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen, Dr. Charles A. Hart, and a host of other men who are famous at the present time. Without a doubt, in those days the VIATORIAN was the exemplification of journalistic perfection.

We note with a great deal of interest that students not connected in any way with the staff frequently utilized the columns of the VIATORIAN to express personal opinions and convictions on worthwhile and important topics of the day. E. G., the treatise on "Labor and Labor Reform" written by Father Hart in '17 is as valuable and as interesting today as the day it was written; the debate of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton Sheen on the "Compulsory Arbitration of Labor Disputes" is a magnificent piece of work; he presents a case which may very readily be used as a model by any college debater at the present time. Although examples could be multiplied almost ad infinitum, the above two will suffice.

The articles of these men are as fresh and as interesting as if they had been written yesterday. The reason being of course, that the articles dealt with fundamental and essential principles; principles which were present yesterday, exist today, and will remain unchanged tomorrow.

The obvious point is this: There are men in the college today who will some day guide the destinies of nations and empires; men who will be leaders of tomorrow as the men mentioned above are the leaders of today. We take this opportunity of reminding our students that the columns of the VIATORIAN are open to anything they have to say, just as the VIATORIAN of old printed the comments of these famous men.

Since the VIATORIAN exists primarily to serve the student body, it is our duty to express student opinion. Moreover, we are both anxious and willing to perform this duty.

—L. R.

A VOTE OF THANKS TO FATHER BERGIN

The Rev. Wm. J. Bergin, C. S. V., has aided us in our effort to print news of permanent and lasting value, by permitting us to

An Old Disease At St. Viator

Look, Stooze, what that Prof. has written here on the bottom of my paper: "See your Dean at once, Mr. McGutzky. Unless he has reason to suspect that you are sometimes normal, I shall charitably conclude from your work in this class that you suffer chronically from encephalitis lethargica. That disease calls for treatment not by a professor of literature but either by a Simon Legree or by a competent physician. A trip to the hospital or hard labor in the mines may be prescribed as a remedy. So far as I am concerned you are hereby released from academic endeavors and can begin the latter form of treatment as early as tomorrow morning." Stop your laughin', Stooze. He's really telling me in polite, sarcastic language that he's all washed up. He wouldn't "charitably conclude" on anybody. Not that bird. Don't laugh, Fool!

This ENCEPHALITIS LETHARGICA, what does it mean? Here in the Webster it says—Why that—it says "epidemic fever commonly called sleeping sickness." I told you that guy has no sense of humor, or charity in his heart. You'd think he'd soften up now that exams are here.

"See your Dean," he says. (Wonder if they've ganged up on me?) Only last week the Prexy jumped me—the last time he had—for never being down to chapel. And

then, just my luck, who should I meet in the back of the church last Sunday but the Prexy himself. He stood there like an actor at his climax, as if he'd been waitin' all morning only for me.

"Old McGutzky," he chirped up, "late again, eh? So you don't hear the alarm. Uh huh. Well, you won't HAVE to hear the alarm on the railroad."

He's coming in that door any minute now and the verdict will be: Pass twelve hours or out. I hope it isn't Out. I'd hate to go home to my Dad right now. He has a remedy for everything.

"Son", he's say, "what's this stuff, encephalitis lethargica, they say you're suffering from? Oh yes, your Uncle Alec and Cousin Jake caught it the winter that I made my first big money. I'm not a medical man but I scouted around and found that it's an infection that comes to certain people from handling too many soft paper dollars."

"You get the same treatment that I gave Alec and Jake. Go out to work and get some thick, honest callouses on your hands. Then you'll find that you can handle money without being infected. That's how your mother and I have, for all these years, avoided the dreaded encephalitis lethargica."

(Adapted from the Religious Bulletin of the University of Norte Dame.)

Abra Ka Dabra

By T. Ashe

"Frequent water drinking", says the specialist, "prevents you from becoming stiff in the joints."

Now that is silly because even a college freshman knows that most of the joints don't serve water.

Pueribus kissibus
Sweeta girlorum.
Girilibus likibus;
Wanta somorum.

Girilibus pateribus
Enter parilum.
Kickibus pureibus;
Exit duorum.

Nightibus darkibus,
Nonus lamporum.
Jumpibus fencibus;
Pantibus torum.

—Exchange.

Pete: "Did you ever see a worm dance?"

Repete: "No."

Pete: "Well, I just saw a worm go into the Big Apple."

Daffinitions—

Oxygen: an eight-sided figure.

Debate: what gets fish.

A professor: a person who talks

in someone else's sleep.

Book: something not half as cracked as it should be.

Joke: what don't get in this column.

In keeping with the times I hereby submit a little pome.

Pome

An apple a day will keep
The dean away.
So polish and polish
And get an "A".

Prof. (to student who enters class late): "You should have been here at 8:30."

Student: "Why, what happened?"

—Stolen.

A big something or other to the one who said that the example of rigid economy is a dead Scotchman.

Joe: "Do you believe in a here-after?"

Jack: "Certainly."

Joe: "Well, I'm here after your homework."

Trying to write something funny for youse guys to laugh at is as easy as cutting diamonds with an icicle.

LATIN LANGUAGE

By Elmer Pepin

Language is the vehicle of thought. No matter how weighty thought may be, it must depend upon the spoken or written word for its conveyance. The terminology of a language, therefore, becomes of great importance in the expression of thought, for inadequate or defective terms may utterly distort its meaning. For a language to be its best possible medium, it is essential that it be concise and logical with no ambiguous terms. Latin is such a language. No other tongue has achieved the ability to express ideas in such terse and pregnant phrases. No other tongue has the logic and clarity of the Latin phraseology. It is indeed the language of philosophers and leaders of thought.

As an evidence of the general recognition of these facts, scholars of the Renaissance, that golden age of philosophy and literature, continued to speak and express their thoughts in Latin long after its general use had declined. It was the universal language of scholars and it became the hallmark of learning and culture. The Church is essentially Latin in culture and its illustrious works are written in that tongue. Great philosophers and eminent doctors of the Church, e. g. St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Thomas A. Kempis, Robert Bellarmine, found it the best medium for the transmission of their thoughts to posterity. But the scholars of the Renaissance and not alone in their use and appreciation of the Latin, for great centers of modern learning such as the University of Louvain, the Sorbonne, Salamanca, and Bologna retain the old Latin culture to the present day.

The Latin languages have preserved the logic and consciousness of the tongue from which they are derived.

They contain no ambiguity of terms, for these languages are not polyglot, with many terms borrowed from other languages, but retain in form an essence the terminology of their common ancestry.

In addition to their heritage of the Latin tongue, these languages are Catholic in character and mode of expression. Centuries of adherence to the Church has impregnated their language and literature with the very essence of Catholic philosophy.

The dynamic stimulus of the Renaissance manifested itself first in the Latin countries and had passed on before the Reformation; thus their literature is predominantly Catholic. The effects of the Reformation which caused so much turmoil in other nations, made but little impression upon the Latin languages. Where the Renaissance took place just prior or simultaneously with the Reformation, the result was quite different. The leading thought of these nations became Protestant and their literature, in contrast to that of the Latin countries, expressed Protestant thought.

Catholic philosophical thought, like all thought, can be expressed by any cultured language, but due to the characteristic logic and consciousness of the Latin tongues, Catholic thought finds a reader and more apt expression through the medium of the Latin languages.

—E. P.

She: "Say, it's after midnight. Do you think you can stay here all night?"

He: "Gosh! I'll have to phone mother first."

Dean: "What is the difference between a college and an asylum?"

Student: "You must show improvement to get out of an asylum."

Famous last words: Foo.

—L. R.

Basketeers Lose 36-24

By Bill Cahill

St. Viator traveled to Collegeville, Indiana to drop their second game of the year to St. Joseph College by the score of 36 to 24. It brought the total to two victories and the same number of losses. Bud Monahan of Viator led the scoring with 14 points. McElligott accounted for 8 points and Babe Claeys netted the remaining 2 markers.

St. Joseph used a fast breaking offense and led the scoring all the way. The first part of the game was slow, six minutes elapsed and the scoreboard favored the Hoosiers 3 to 1. Then the Indiana boys put on the pressure and ran up 14 counters while Viator raised their total to 3. The half ended at 18-6. In the second period Viator loosened up a little and brought the score to 23-19. This rally was checked when John Burke, Viator guard, was hurt in a scuffle under the basket and had to be carried off the floor. He was replaced by Ed O'Connor.

The Green Wave was without the services of Frank Straub, high point man of the team. Frank being out of the lineup and the small playing floor were two good reasons for the result. The St. Joseph cagers played consistent ball and made long shots from all angles. Viator had trouble with their long shots and could not get control of the ball on the rebounds. The last few minutes Viator started to "click" but there was not enough time for them to overcome the lead. Bill McElligott played a beautiful floor game and Bud Monahan dumped in some spectacular field goals. Ed O'Connor looked very impressive in his debut. It was his first Collegiate contest and he veteran while he was

in there.

Summary	G	F
Burke, g.	0	0
Blazevich, g.	0	0
Claeys, f.	1	0
Monahan, c.	5	4
McElligott, f.	3	4
Malloy, g.	0	0
O'Connor, g.	0	0
Totals	9	8

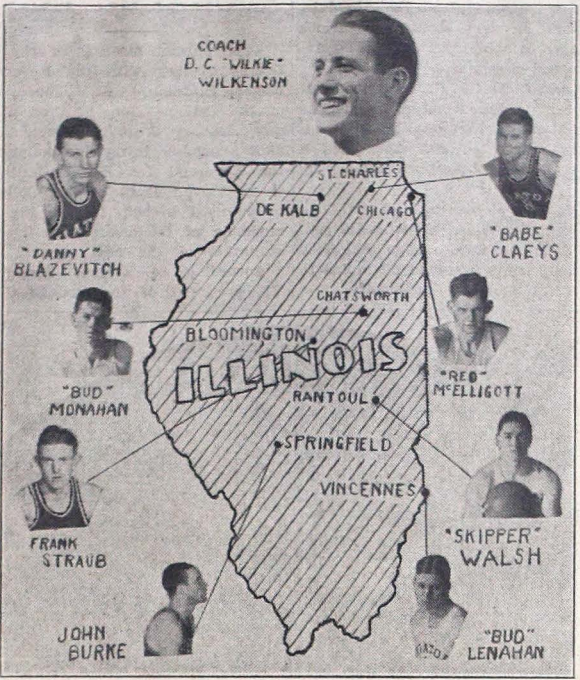
Mr. Wilkenson Married Dec. 27

Mr. Dorain C. Wilkenson, coach of the basketball squad, was married to Miss Winifred Marsch of Cleveland, Ohio, on December 27, at Traverse City, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Wilkenson, who are now residing in an apartment in Kankakee, met as students at Michigan State College where Mr. Wilkenson was captain of the basketball squad. The members of the faculty and the student body, and particularly the members of the basketball squad, take this opportunity of extending their best wishes of success and happiness to the "Newly Weds."

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HERE AND THERE

The sang froid with which athletes constantly face danger was graphically illustrated during the week . . . While playing ping pong, a Buffalo man was hit in one eye by the ball, had to have a beef-steak massage . . . A Midwest athlete was incarcerated, charged with stealing a three-car garage, a brick mill, a fifteen-ton derrick with a ninety-foot beam, a traveling crane, a wood-cutting shed, two electric drum hoists. Prison officials were on the alert fearful he would steal the jail . . . A twelve-year-old Boston triple threat entered a meat store. Though outweighed, he locked the muscular owner in the ice box, robbed the store . . . Historical research pushed back new frontiers . . . The old question, so baffling to historians for decades—"Why is a native of Indiana called a Hoosier?"—at length ran into its answer. In Indiana's youth, Indians were quite active. Early settlers, fearing the Red men, would inquire when they heard a knock on the door: "Who is yer?" Finding "Who is yer?" too long, the early settlers started saying: "Hoosier." So many of them were barking out "Hoosier" all over the state that nick-name-students felt this designation would aptly express the chief characteristic of the inhabitants and Indiana became the Hoosier State. The old custom of saying "Who is yer" to door-knockers has long been abandoned by educated Indians. . . Educational

affairs were not devoid of annoying problems . . . In Massachusetts, the dividing line between the towns of Stow and Hudson runs through the dining room of a home. The Stow school will not take the children unless they live mostly in the Stow side of the house. Four children may have to be "sardined" on the Stow end of the dining room table. It is problems like this one which makes school board hair turn gray.

Congress struggled on in its efforts to find a solution for the excess-cotton situation. One Senator preceived a possible solution. If the 450,000,000 Chinese can be persuaded to lengthen their shirt tails one-half inch, enough cotton will be exported to eliminate the surplus, he felt. Threats of heavy reduction in the imports of chop suey from China to the United States unless the Chinese shirt trade uses more cotton was viewed as a promising method to lengthen Oriental shirts . . . Scientific progress in the matter of diet was reported . . . In Missouri a goat-expert revealed that the family wash and tin cans should be eliminated from the normal goat's diet. Goats like to eat cigarettes, research showed, especially the kind that are easy on the stomach. Plenty of cigars, cigarettes and pipe tobacco should be included in a well-balanced goat diet . . . The victor in a national contest was announced,

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Obituaries

The members of the faculty and student body of St. Viator College wish to extend their deepest expression of sympathy to the families of the following friends of the College who passed to their eternal reward recently:

The mother of the Rev. Dr. Charles A. Hart of the Catholic University of America and former student here.

Mrs. Delay, aunt of Miss Marie Carson.

Miss Lavery, aunt of Brother George Carson, C. S. V.

Mrs. Roch, the mother of Leslie Roch, a former student.

Mr. Marvin Contois, a former student here.

Debaters—

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University in a debate on the subject of the contribution of the machine age to the happiness of man. Judging from the comments received from the radio audience it was apparent that this debate provoked considerable interest.

On January 15, Brother Jas. Walsh and Leo Foley, '41, will take the air in a debate with Loyola University on the extremely controversial and recently proposed Ludlow Amendment.

As has been previously announced these debates are heard each Saturday at 5:00 p. m. over Station WCFL, Chicago. It is only through the gracious cooperation of WCFL that these debates and the Viator Sunday afternoon round-table discussions are made possible.

when the Governor of Maine awarded the championship in the "tall potato story contest", to the Governor of Idaho. The latter won the palm, as a tall-story teller, by saying Idaho potatoes were best . . . A gas which may revolutionize the lives of millions was discovered in Sweden. The gas instantly makes inebriates sober. Traffic cops will be provided with large quantities of the gas, authorities revealed. The gas may change the whole aspect of after-dinner speaking, social pundits felt.

Gene Gould got a new pair of snow shoes for Christmas or were they shoes.

Librarianiana

THE LIBRARIAN KEEPS A DIARY FOR A DAY

Eight o'clock and the morning mail. Clean newspapers and fresh magazines. The previous day's loans are counted. Energetic early students dash into return over-night books. Others, more leisurely, stroll in for a quiet hour with a favorite journal. The crowd increases. The big dictionary is never idle long. Massive reference volumes lie around, evidence of the search for information. Pamphlets, and magazines taken from the files and shelves to furnish special data, strewn the tables. French periodicals and dictionaries are in constant demand.

AFTERNOON—Rivalry develops over a reserve book. A student brings a friend and shows him around. The back file of a newspaper is called for. Books and magazines are being lent in a steady stream. A list of magazine references must be looked up. Books must be classified and cataloged. Catalog cards typed and filed. Overdue lists typed and students notified. Books marked and shelved.

Suddenly the storm dies down. There is a lull before the evening's onset. And now, along with debaters and students from late afternoon classes, high school teachers taking extension courses come in for assigned books or an hour's study. The few who remain are absorbed in their reading. Once more order is restored out of the chaos on the tables. Books are shelved. A last energetic student dashes in for a last book. The last reader, oblivious of time, is gently urged out. Nine o'clock and the door is closed for the day.

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Debaters Dugout Dope

By G. B. Bresnan

In preparation for the Illinois Normal State Debate Tournament, which will take place on January 14 at Normal, Illinois, Father Maguire has purchased a dozen new helmets for the debate squad. The helmets are white with a green pair of lungs adorning the front of the helmets.

"Paw" Ward, chief tongue-lasher, was hit by a flying hyperbole in the debate with Wheaton College a few weeks ago and demanded the team be fully equipped before they encounter any more opposition. "Leather-lungs" Ward is convalescing in the Infirmary and will be back with the team shortly.

Fr. Maguire, coach, also furnished his squad with other essential equipment such as new Ticonderoga pencils, desk pads, and each debater is furnished with a new Webster Dictionary for debate use exclusively. Along with the dictionary jobs, each rhetorician was presented with a large bottle of Listerine, and he must, at all times, have it on hand to keep his throat in leathery clad condition and must keep in shape for any extempereous discussions.

"Old-Foothold" the venerable debate platform, which has been in constant use since the early days of the college, is now being repaired and is being dressed up in a new suit of green paint with a white pair of lungs decorating the front to match their new snappy helmets.

The rather antiquated uniforms and sweat-suits have been sent to the cleaners but will be ready for use in the Illinois Normal State Debate Tournament.

Father Maguire has a few new

plays and adjectives up his sleeve with which he will acquaint his "spike-men" in the course of the coming secret verbal-scrimage. The Viator lads scrambled over Purdue and Northwestern with one of the new triple reverse rebuttal plays in the past month. Some of these plays will be used in the "Alumni gab-fest" which will take place in the near future in which the varsity will tangle with the "Alumni All-Stars."

President Foley reports that in a contest involving the "A" squad and

the "B" squad, the "A" team won by a slight margin, but the "B" boys are right at their heels. Father Maguire admits that he has a very strong group of reserves.

It is rumored about that, to date, Viator has sent scouts to various debates to spot other teams' strategies and arguments.

"Cosmo" McCue's suggestion that the team obtain debaters' handbooks was a welcome one and was immediately recognized and considered a very plausible piece of advice by all.

By way of closing, let us wish the debating squad a successful season with the sincere hope that they build up some iron-clad dilemmas to throw at jabbering opponents.

COLLEGE CLUB DONATES TO CHAPEL FUND

At a special meeting of the officers together with the Reverend Eugene Hoffman, C. S. V., moderator of the College Club, held on Monday, January 3, it was decided to allot a sum of thirty-five dollars to the Reverend Dr. E. V. Cardinal, C. S. V., president of the College, to be used to help finance the remodeling of the chapel and the installation of the new organ.

According to Francis Sanhuber, '38, president of the College Club,

another donation to this worthy cause later on in the year is to be expected. Sanhuber revealed however, that a definite statement as to the amount was impossible. According to Sanhuber, "Various expenses are bound to present themselves during the remainder of the year and hence nothing further concerning donations can be determined at this time."

In making this initial contribution, the College Club is fulfilling one of its essential aims, namely aid in religious undertakings.

John Morrissey has been cutting classes since he came back from Pontiac, does he miss Francis so much that he writes to her all day?

Night Club—

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the dance floor and with the music of Don Bruynell and his orchestra, a characteristic night club atmosphere prevailed.

The writer could go on indefinitely telling of this most pleasant enterprise but judging from the innumerable favorable comments heard on and off the campus he finds it unnecessary to continue.

Miss Anthony on being interviewed expressed her enthusiasm as to the success of the affair and wished to heartily thank the members of the Sorority, the College Club, the Science Club, and all those who so graciously assisted her in making "Club Noel" a success both financially and socially.

—F. S.

E. LaMontagne—

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returned in poor health. On New Year's day, after receiving the last rites of the Church, he asked to be allowed to make his final profession. In compliance with his request, Father O'Mahoney, the Provincial of the Viatorians, received his perpetual vows on his death-bed.

Brother Edward's gentle disposition, refined manners, and devotion to the cause to which he dedicated his life, made him a general favorite with his confreres at St. Bernard's Hall and the students at St. Viator College. The same winning characteristics made him loved as a teacher, and gave promise of a successful career in the class-room. It is hard to lose one so young and so good, but it is a consolation to know that he was so well fitted for Heaven.

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