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Easter Blessings

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DISCUSSION MEETING

The March meeting of the high school sodality was held on Friday, the 29th.

The first part of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of the problem of strikes--are they justified? Who is responsible? Are there any moral obligations on the part of the employers or the workers. An examination of conscience for both capital and labor was suggested.

The second part of the meeting was a discussion of the physical sufferings of Our Lord in His Sacred Passion with a view to the greater realization of why and how much he suffered for man. The conclusion was that Christ was a true Victim, the most blameless and sensitive, and that His agony was most complete from all aspects.

Rosemary Burke was discussion leader. After the discussion, Clare Judge and Therese Fitzgerald outlined the reorganization plans of the Iowa Sodality Union, Duam, and the sodality voted to join.

The last business taken up was plans for a skating party to be held April 8, to which the young people of Gilbert, Ogden, Madrid, and Ames are invited.

DUCAM

Ducam, Iowa Sodality Union, whose activities were discontinued during the war because of the difficulties of meetings, etc., is now being reorganized. The word "Ducam" stands for "Diocesan Union for Catholic Action under Mary."

The idea is to join all Catholic Action groups of youth, and so to promote the spiritual, intellectual, and social interests of the members through the help derived from general and special meetings, and from an exchange of ideas.

The first General Meeting of the year will be held at Storm Lake, on Palm Sunday at 2 p.m. The matter of this meeting will be to consider a youth program that will be cultural, civic, social, physical and religious.

The second big event to be sponsored will be a Mary Day Rally at Grandview Park in Sioux City on May 12.

The speaker at this rally will be the Most Reverend Thomas L. Noa, Coadjutor Bishop of Sioux City, and the celebrant of Benediction will be the Most Reverend Edmond J. Heelan, Bishop of Sioux City.



MOST REVEREND BISHOP THOMAS L. NOA

The Sioux City diocese has a new bishop. He is the Most Reverend Thomas L. Noa, coadjutor to His Excellency, Most Reverend Bishop Heelan.

In a most impressive ceremony in Grand Rapids, Michigan, March 19, Bishop Noa was consecrated in the presence of 1250 Catholic and non-Catholic friends. Also present were about 500 priests and higher clergymen. Important figures were Cardinal Mooney of Detroit, Bishop Heelan, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas J. Davern, vicar-general of the Sioux City diocese, and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Smith, National Chaplain of the American Legion, formerly assistant pastor at Sacred Heart, Boone.

Bishop Noa will celebrate a pontifical Mass in the Cathedral in Sioux City on April 11. The Most Reverend Henry P. Rohlfman, Coadjutor Archbishop of Dubuque, will preach the sermon. After Mass, a banquet will be served to the clergy at the Martin Hotel. The Right Rev. Reverend Msgr. J. J. Berger, Chancellor of the diocese will welcome the new Bishop, and an address will be given by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Francis J. Haas, Bishop of Grand Rapids.

ALUMNAE MAKE FIRST VOWS

On March 19, Feast of St. Joseph, in the chapel of the Motherhouse, Mount Carmel, Dubuque, three members of the class of 1942 pronounced their first vows and received their black veil. The ceremony climaxed two and one half years of novitiate training in which the novice is taught the principles of the spiritual life and is prepared for her career as a religious teacher. Immediately after their profession, the three Sisters were given their first assignments.

Sister Mary Rose Andre', daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Koehler, was assigned to Holy Family school in Chicago where she will teach music.

Sister Mary St. Suzanne, daughter of Mrs. R. Judge will teach at Mount Carmel Academy in Wichita, Kansas.

Sister Mary Agneselle, daughter of Mr. William Sherrard, will also begin her teaching career at Mount Carmel Academy in Wichita. Sister Mary Agneselle spent several days in Boone en route to her new mission, and enjoyed seeing her relatives and many friends.

RANSOMS PAGAN BABY

Jean Marie Whalen, sixth grade pupil, has made the Sacred Heart students very proud of her. She has distinguished herself by saving \$5, and ransoming a pagan baby in China.

Monsignor C. J. Ivis, head of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in the diocese sent Jean Marie a letter of congratulation in which he says: "Thanks again, Jean Marie, for this great sacrifice of yours; I will see to it that the request gets on its way, and soon little Frances Ann will be baptized and started on her way to Heaven."

STUDENTS HEAR FATHER FLANAGAN

Several Sacred Heart students, members of the sociology class went to Ames, February 27, to hear Father Flanagan of Boystown talk on youth delinquency.

Father Flanagan outlined the principles on which his work is built, and told many instances of his successful work with his boys.

Lively discussion followed the talk, as some of the audience still believed that to "spare the rod was to spoil the child."

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EASTER

As the weeks of Lent are drawing to a close, all Christians are looking forward to the celebration of the glorious feast of Easter.

In spite of ourselves, thoughts of the "Easter Parade" are uppermost in our minds.

Just what is the significance of new clothes for Easter?

They are meant to symbolize the beginning of a new life, the forsaking of our sinful ways when we see what sin cost Our Lord in His Sacred Passion.

Our Easter raiment should remind us of the robe of sanctifying grace dearly bought by the sufferings of Christ, and our resolution should be to wear and preserve it without spot.

EXCHANGES

From "The Ciscan"--Chicago

HOC EST ENIM

Stop trembling, world.
How silly
To tremble at a broken atom
Turned into a hellish bomb.
This morning
You have seen
A far greater miracle--
A grain of wheat
Turned into God.

--Marilyn Jegen

PRAY FOR THEM

CATHERINE LYONS, grandmother of William, Clarice, Robert and Catherine Coffey, and of Therese, Leo, Yvonne, and Joan Fitzgerald, who died on March 1.

DENNIS IVIS, uncle of Monsignor Cleo Ivis, diocesan school superintendent, and uncle of Donald Ivis, who died March 21.

S. H. HIT PARADE

Give Me the Simple Life..Geneva M.
Just a Little Fond Affection..

Shirley P.

It Had to be You..... Jim S.

Slowly Joe B.

I'm Glad I Waited for You..Frank B.

Some Sunday Morning.....Rita S.

It's Been a Long Time.....Rose J.

You're Nobody Till Somebody

Loves You.... Senior Class

My Blonde Sailor.....Grace B.

No Love No Nothing.....Pat J.

Sioux City Sue.....Clare J.

Bell Bottom Trousers.....Mary F.

No Letter Today.....Joan Q.

There Must Be a Way.....Firmin K.

Onesy Twosy.....Arlene C.

I'm Always Chasing RainbowsEldon M.

I'm a Big Girl Now.....Naomi S.

Blue.....Bill C.

ALUMNI NEWS

Marguerite Fitzgerald '42 has been transferred to New Orleans, La. She had spent several years as a radio operator in Alabama.

John Sandon '43, looking the picture of health and happiness is enjoying a vacation at home after his strenuous army career. He brought with him from Japan many interesting souvenirs and trophies.

Bill Matt '45 thinks he is the luckiest man in the United States Navy. "We have a beautiful setup here," he writes, "living in civilian homes, and working in the Federal Building (in San Francisco). We go to work at 8:30, have an hour for lunch, and then are off at 5. My job is to type NTX's (Naval Telegraph Exchange)." He is taking Judo lessons at night, which he finds interesting and fun, and plans to take refresher courses in Math and English at the Junior College there.

Richard Murphy '42 is enjoying civilian status and plans to attend Iowa State College.

Charles Dittmer '45 is home, having completed eight months of service with the Merchant Marine. He plans to enter the Navy in September.

Bob Mockler has been transferred from Fort Leonard Wood to Camp Crowder, Missouri, where he is awaiting further assignment.

Paul Lonergan is one of 400 students attending radar school in California. The school, located in the mountains, is reached by a 20-minute bus ride, and commands an extensive view of the Pacific.

Reverend J.G. Skahill visited in Boone on March 25.

EXCHANGES

From the "Catholic Worker"

--Chicago

WORKS OF MERCY

The Farmer feeds the hungry.
The Plumber gives drink to the thirsty.

The Weaver clothes the naked.
The Carpenter houses the homeless.

The Doctor and Nurse visit the sick.

The Lawyer visits (and helps) those in prison.

The Undertaker buries the dead.
Because their work is a work of mercy it has a note of dignity.

It is worthy of them, for dignity means worthy.

And because it is worthy and a work of mercy they and it are blessed.

And blessed are the merciful.

MY FAVORITE SPOT

My favorite spot is the interior of a large edifice. It is a stone building with beautiful stained glass windows which invite you to seek the door leading into the vestibule. Here on either side of the doorway are marble fountains filled with holy water. The interior doors open to your touch. Far to the front within the altar rails is a sacred spot, the altar. You know by now that it is God's House, the Church. This is my favorite spot because God who lives there welcomes and extends His blessings to me each time I enter.

--Madonna Mestdagh '48

SENIOR WHINGDING

On Monday, March 4, the Seniors staged a combined dance and buncio party. It started at 7:30. Everyone was invited and all came.

Father Ryan and Father Koenig were guests.

The party went fine until someone spilled the wax box, then the dance became a sliding party. Convenient though, when it was time to slide over for the refreshing cokes. Let's have more school parties.

Joan: Pardon me, but you have a fly on your forehead.

Patricia: Pardon me, but that's my new Easter hat.

Everyone: What happened to your eye?

Pat: I went to a dance and was struck very forcibly by the beauty of the place.

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THREE BEARS COMING

These are busy days in the First and Second Grade room because practice is going on for "An Up-to-date Goldilocks and the Three Bears" to be presented in the school hall on April 12, with the members of the P.T.A. as guests.

The show manager is Dean Dittmer, the assistant show manager is Peter Fleming. Rosalie Day is Goldilocks. The Mother Bear will be played by Tommy Pepper, Father Bear by Larry Burke, and Baby Bear by William Conway. The entertainers are Carol Briggs, Rita Brown, Marilyn Burke, Mary Casserly, Terry McManus, James Manriquez, John Manriquez, Jerry Manriquez, Aaron Vest, Edward Brice, Vreela Collins, Patty Curran, Marilyn Fitzgerald, Danny Garvey, Bobby Garvey, Tommy Quinn, Michael Stammeyer, Freddie Vitt, and Robert Barry.

Scene One opens on a playground where a group of children are preparing an entertainment to make money for the missions. In Scene Two the home of the Three Bears is shown, and in Scene Three Goldilocks brings the Three Bears to join the show.

Between play practice periods, these first and second graders have found time to work on their two Lenten projects. The first is a sacrifice club whose members deposit in a Lent bank the pennies they save by not buying candy. The second project is a study of the "Way of the Cross" booklet by Father Lord. During the last week of Lent the booklets will be on display. The class will decide which child will receive the prize for the book showing the neatest coloring, and for the best explanation of each station.

Robert Barry has come to join the second grade, having moved to Boone from Marengo, Iowa.

SPONSOR MARBLE TOURNAMENT

The 7th and 8th Graders are sponsoring a Marble Tournament to be held on May 1st and 2d. All grades are invited to participate. Rules and regulations will be sent to the rooms after the Easter vocation.

The Lenten Mass Club in these grades has had almost perfect attendance since the beginning of Lent. The 8th grade has scored 240 points, the 7th grade 222.

THE LADIES PLAY BALL

With the warm sunny days of March luring everyone out-of-doors, the high school girls organized three baseball teams, and have played games that are thoroughly enjoyed by themselves as well as by onlookers.



IN LOVING MEMORY

BETTY

of the kindly word
the smiling eyes
your gentle ways
must make you feel at home
In Paradise.

THE SACRED HEART

His promises to you kept
Though Death into life
So swiftly
So ruthlessly swept.

IN OUR LAST HOUR

dear Betty
for us pray
that we may be with God
In Heaven's Eternal Day.

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April 6 was the first death anniversary of Betty Schaffner, freshman student whose accidental death a year ago caused deep grief and sorrow to her family and friends.

Though death came so unexpectedly, the twelfth promise of the Sacred Heart to those who practice the devotion of the Nine First Fridays was strikingly fulfilled. She received the Sacrament of Penance on Thursday, Holy Communion on First Friday, and was anointed on Saturday, a few hours before she died.

The sophomore class had a requiem Mass said for her on April 10.

ACTIVITY PLUS

The 5-6 grade room is humming with activity, mission and otherwise.

Lent sacrifice money has ransomed three Pagan babies who were named Margaret Ann, John Joseph, and Patrick Clement.

In answer to the appeal for funds for the Bishops' Relief Program, pennies poured into the pail, and at the end of the week, when they were counted, the number made \$11.

They have accumulated \$10 toward the school project of the purchase of a motion sound projector.

Athletically, the score is even between this room, and the 7th and 8th. Playing two games, they lost one and won the other.

GALA HIGH SCHOOL PARTY

The high school party at which the Sophomores and Freshmen entertained the Seniors and Juniors was just about the biggest event of the year.

Elaborate decorations transformed the school hall into a social room, fitting background for the evening of fun.

Dancing, especially the added feature of a grand march, was the evening's entertainment. The students are grateful to Sister Mary Angelina and Sister Mary Julius for their help in carrying out the program. Father Koenig was an honored and welcome guest.

SOPHOMORE-FRESHMAN PROGRAM

The Sophomore and Freshman English classes presented on March 19 a program to honor the feast days in March. Sister Mary Alacoque was their guest.

The numbers were: "St. Thomas Aquinas" by James Garvey; "St. Joseph's Workshop" by Robert Sherrard; "St. Patrick" by James Fangman; "The Annunciation" by Clarice Coffey; "Mia Carlotta" by Anita Day.

Both classes joined in the singing of "The Harp That Once Through Tara's Halls," "Believe Me if All Those Endearing Charms," and "The Minstrel Boy."

TROJANS AHEAD

Two baseball teams have been organized for the spring season. The Cyclones, with Paul Eppel as captain, have the following members: Frank Burke, Jim Garvey, Jim Bennett, Jim Fangman, Jim Morrissey, Ray Enel and Donald Vest, and Duane Day. The Trojans, with Joe Burke as captain, are Dick Matt, Leo Fitzgerald, Roger Burke, Jack Quinn, Eldon McManus, Tom Fangman, Charles Anderson, and John Doyle. Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Thus far, the Trojans are leading.



Anne, Mary Ellen, Frances McNertney with their father. Charles Dittmer, Firmin Koehler and Pat Judge. Rita Schell. Pat Cahill, Joan Quinn, Mary Friel, and Shirley Powers.

Reverend J.J. Ryan
Patty Fitzgerald and Bonnie Haberer
Sacred Heart Church
Maxine Dittmer, Pat Cahill, Rita Schell

Cameras are clicking in the school yard and catch some snappy poses of S. H. personalities

Father Koenig, returns from first base after deciding who's out. Marilyn Selzer, always ready to snap a picture. Katherine Masterson, Rita Quinn, Joan Sullivan, Barbara Dunn, John Wilson,

Paul Eppel, Clarice Coffey, Joan Sullivan, Doris De Mouth, Dick Matt.

Jim Fangman, John Doyle, Duane Day.