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AT THE CROSSROADS

March is "Vocation Month." We all more or less have the idea that "vocation" means being either a priest or a sister. This is not so—a vocation is the state of life to which God calls us, be it the single, the married, or the religious state.

Everyone wants security and happiness. We are so made as to find them in various ways of life. No matter which way I choose, my happiness depends on me. If I marry, the happiness of every member of my family depends on me. As someone has said, a palace may be a prison and a cottage may become a castle of dreams, depending on whether hate or love dwells within. One of the finest feminine arts is making a home. The promises made at the altar are first made to God and cannot be broken.

Some people remain single because it is their duty. Others feel they can serve God better if they do not marry.

As for religious vocations, persons called to the service of God are aware of it. Although every person has a call to serve God, some are almost commanded to become His chosen servants. If this call is ignored, happiness, even earthly, cannot be found.

SPELLING CONTEST

Mary Katherine Jacobson is chosen as the finalist in Eighth Grade, and will represent the school in a Spelling Contest on Saturday, March 13.

Freshmen and Sophomores gave the P.T.A. Program for March. With songs and recitations, they commemorated the feasts of St. Patrick and St. Joseph, and the Passion Season.

SCHOOL VISITOR

Sister Mary Teresa Francis of Mount Carmel, Dubuque, who is the Chairman of the Board of Education of the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, visited Sacred Heart on January 27.

After observing our classwork, Sister talked to the student body, reminding us with the initials SHS to be Students, to be Heroic, to be Saints.



ESSAY CONTEST

As the paper goes to press, word is received that Dolores Kappas won first place and James Bennett won second place in the County for their essays on "Liberty, Our Great American Heritage." The contest was sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion. Dolores will receive \$10 and her paper will enter her as a State contestant for a set of WORLD BOOK ENCYCLOPEDIA. James will receive an award of \$5.

HONOR ROLL

At the end of the first Semester

Fifth Grade:

Thomas Rinker
Gretchen Buss
Garry Barry

Sixth Grade:

Lorraine Conway
Kathleen Quinn
Richard Brown

Seventh Grade:

Patricia Conway
Ann McNertney

Ninth Grade:

Corrine Phelan

Tenth Grade:

Madonna Miller

Eleventh Grade:

Rita Uthe

LET'S ALL GIVE

The appeal of the Bishop's Fund for the Victims of War must succeed! In the past it has kept alive hope in the hearts of weary frightened people.

The third winter of peace has arrived with just as many sufferings and hardships as in 1946-1947 for the people in Europe. Catholics must continue to co-operate with the government in supplying material needs to these people if unity is to be restored to the world.

The Church is the Mother of Charity and her work must go on. Upon its continuance depends the success of the 1948 appeal for \$5,000,000.

At Sacred Heart, the children in Fifth and Sixth Grade are in the lead with about \$40. They have set their quota at \$50.

ALUMNI NEWS

DON MESTDACH '45 is in the Air Force and is stationed at Fort Dodge.

ROSE COFFEY '44, who recently finished training at Mercy Hospital in Council Bluffs, was home for a brief visit.

DON DEMOUTH, '43 is attending Farragut College in Idaho.

MARILEE FITZGERALD DOER '45 was visiting in Boone recently because of the illness of her father. She is living in Spokane, Washington, where her husband is attending school.

BILL MATT '45 is attending Regis in Denver.

CHUCK DITTMER '45 is working in Mason City for a furnace company.

Discharged from Army: BILL COFFEY '46 is at home, vacationing.

FIRMIN KOEHLER '46 is attending Junior College.

JIM SULLIVAN '46 is at Creighton.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE following on their recent engagements:

THERESE FITZGERALD '47 and Dick Riordan.

RITA SCHELL '47 and Carl Aspengren.
JOAN QUINN '47 and Quentin Rickerel.
MAXINE DITTMER '47 and Bob Mallas.
ARLENE CAMPBELL '46 and GALE MICKLE.

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LENT

"Remember man thou art but dust and into dust thou shalt return," are the words with which Holy Mother the Church opens the season of Lent, a difficult time of year. Why must we keep Lent? Why sacrifice our favorite pleasures and food?

These forty days of Lent symbolize the time Christ himself spent in the desert in fasting and prayer. Lent is for us a preparation for the glorious feast of Easter. As we receive the ashes on Ash Wednesday not only with the realization that this is a rebuke to our human respect but also with a determination to make a better Lent, we remember the words of Christ, "Unless you do Penance you shall likewise perish". The Penance we do during this time will make our Easter a happier one.

Although our bodies will return to dust, they like Christ's will rise again—glorified. For us death is but the gateway to a new life.

Doris de Mouth

P.T.A.

Friday afternoon, February 13, the Sacred Heart P.T.A. met in the School Hall for their monthly meeting.

They were entertained by members of the Junior and Freshman classes, who presented a play entitled "Butch on Trial." The scene was that of a court room, where "Butch" was being tried for condemning books without reading them. He was found guilty and was sentenced to "eat his own words."

To close their program, the pupils sang a few songs, and reviewed briefly, the authors' lives.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. James P. Fitzgerald is recovering from his recent illness at the Veterans' Hospital in Des Moines.

Why Go To A Catholic School?

Modern buildings, the advantages of companionship of larger groups, up-to-date equipment, all of these may lure the Catholic and may benefit education but they are not the essentials. In spite of material advantages, an educational system that is not Christian is by far more of a handicap to an individual than a system that exists because God is.

An education without religion is not complete. Such an education may quicken the intellect, enrich the mind with knowledge and produce excellent scholars but it will not produce good men and women because it has failed to develop the will and direct it therefore to the practice of virtue.

As education consists essentially in preparing man for what he must DO and what he must BE here below in order to attain the Sublime End for which he was created, parents are responsible for the training of the child when he is young. When one attains high school age, he should realize for himself the importance of a Catholic education.

Rita Quinn

POETRY CONTEST

Ten members of the Junior Class entered poems in the nationwide Poetry Contest. Five of the entries were accepted. The following selections: "God's Garden" by Martha Ann Gorey; "The Snowstorm", Rita Uthe; "Night's Time", John Doyle; "The Day Is Done", Clarice Coffey; and "Last Night", Virginia Erickson, will appear in a High School Anthology being compiled.

GOD'S GARDEN

God, the Gardener of Our Souls,
Plants, in Faith, the seeds,
Let us keep our flowers growing
And keep away the weeds.

In my garden, let there be
Flowers and Virtue and beauty
to see.

Keep the soul Of our minds, pure
and sweet for all time.

Larry Sovereign and Leo Dittmer
are the new altar boys of the
year. Recruits are waiting.

WELCOME to Sacred Heart School
are Bert Carney, Sophomore;
Michael Carney, Sixth Grade;
and Janice Carney, in Fifth.

THE SNOWSTORM

The mist, is now descending
On every tree and branch,
It brings a spirit of peace-
fulness
On every town and branch.

Then the snow will make its
appearance,
And come slowly at first
Till it covers the roof and
hedge,
As though a cloud had burst.

Night's Time

There is a time,
When all people lay
Down their heads
To wait another day.

They have said their prayers
And have no alarm,
For God is with them
And keeps all from harm.

This is the one time
When they have no fright
For when they are sleeping
They fear no devil's might.

THE DAY IS DONE

When day is done
Throw your cares away
Don't let them worry you
Don't let them stay.

Look all about you
And what do you find
God's beauty,
More than sublime.

The sky is blue
The grass is green
The day will be new
So let naught worry you.

LAST NIGHT

The day was done,
The night was falling,
The stars were bright
And full of light.

The streetlights were dim,
The wind was blowing
The shadows of the trees
Were dark and dim.

MOVIES

Recent Movies We Enjoyed:
Speeding Up Your Reading
How To Spell
Posture
Philippines Since the War
COMING SOON:
Scrub Game
Strategic Materials
Candy and Nutrition

Christmas Formal

A Christmas Formal for the young people of the parish was held at the beautifully decorated K. of C. Hall on Dec. 22.

The graceful moving figures of girls in formals colored for every tint of the rainbow presented a beautiful scene.

Exhibiting the same skill and agility upon the dancing floor as our well attired beauties were the escorts of the evening attired in conventional suits.

A very enjoyable evening was brought to a close by the serving of a luncheon by the Sacred Heart P. T. A.

JUNIORS HOLD DANCE

The Junior Class had a dance at the K of C Hall, Monday, January 27, for the purpose of raising money for the Junior-Senior Banquet. Young people from the neighboring parishes of Ames, Gilbert, Ogden, and Madrid were present.

Christmas Vacations

Many of our students spent the Christmas Holidays visiting friends and relatives out of town.

Martha Ann Gorey went to Chicago for a week to be with relatives.

Rosellen Koehler spent a few days in Chicago and saw her Sister, Sister Mary Rose Andre B.V.M.

Pat Fitzgerald spent some time in Des Moines with her Aunt. Delores Kappas was two weeks with her parents in Albert Lea, Minn.

Dick Matt enjoyed a week in Denver, Colorado at the home of Ed Pepper family, formerly of Boone.

Frank Burke stayed a few days in Emmetsburg, Iowa at the home of his sister.

Working, sleeping or reading was the occupation of the many who remained in Boone.

Meet the Juniors

Jim Morrissey—THE LAWYER
Rita Uthe—THE BEAUTY
Don Vest—JOE LOUIS THE "2nd"
Clarice Coffey—THE PRIMPER
Pat Fitzgerald—THE WHISTLER
Virginia Erickson—THE BRAINS
John Doyle—THE HEART BREAKER
Rose Judge—THE STUDENT
Martha Gorey—THE TYPIST
Katherine Masterson—THE VOCALIST

The Kid Across The Street

Have you ever felt that your neighbor children were loud, rowdy, and in general quite impolite?

The boy I have in mind is a youngster about eleven years old who has a continual runny nose and is considered Public Enemy No. One in our block. He is the only child of an indulgent mother and father, who think their little Johnny is an angel come to earth, while Johnny, better known as pin-head in the neighborhood, is a menace to everyone.

Johnny is quite well known to Officer Casey on his beat. He has been brought to Casey for stealing apples, throwing vegetables, clipping the hair of Mrs. O'Reilly's cat, breaking windows, writing on sidewalks, and picking fights with smaller children. Of course when his mother hears of this, she says Johnny could not have possibly been the guilty party as he would never think of anything like that. Honestly our neighbor's children are awful, but my little Albert is a little angel.

Martha A. Gorey

HIT PARADE

Rita Quinn—"Pure As Carmel's.... Snows and Lovely."

Madonna Mestdagh—Texas Rose—
(Ross)

Doris DeMouth..It's All Over Now.. Katherine Masterson..Pretending... Jim Morrissey....Feuding, Fussin' and Fighting....

Thursday "ight Dances....Miss You. Jack Friel....We're in the Money.. Virginia Erickson...G'wan Home, Yer Mudda's Callin'

Bonnie Haberer...All that Glitters is not Gold.

Marilyn Selzer....What'll I Do.... Paul Eppel....Going Down the Road, Feelin' Bad.

3:10.....Now is the Hour..... John Doyle.....Gimme That Ole Time Religion.

Sacred Heart Girls....Sweet and... Lovelee.ee.ee.

Rose Ann Judge.....Golden Ear-rings.

Frank Burke....I'm Forever Blow-ing Bubbles.

Pat Fitzgerald...All that Meat and No potatoes!

Clarice Coffey.....Harmony. Seniors.....Happy-Go-Lucky! ! ! Father Koenig...He's a Jolly Good Fellow.

PARTY AT AMES

The Young People's Club of Ames had a benefit party on the evening of January 22, for surrounding parishes. St. Cecelia's gymnasium was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and the evening was spent dancing to recorded music. Refreshments were served.

GOLDEN GLOVES

On the morning of Feb. 10 the boxing team, sponsored by the Eagle Lodge, left for Cedar Rapids to take part in the tournament promoted by the Gazette Company. Teams from various towns participated in this contest which took place on the 10th, 11th, and 12th in the coliseum. Those who were entered from Sacred Heart School were Leo Fitzgerald, Paul Ebel, Dick Matt, Don Vest, and Jim Bennet. After the enjoyment of living at the Montrose Hotel for several days, the group returned to Boone, happy even though they didn't bring back the trophy.

TOURNAMENT

There was a great deal of excitement around S.H.S. on the morning of Feb. 4 for this was the day of the trip to Fort Dodge. Sacred Heart has not had a team for the last three years but they were the champions in 1930 and runner-ups in 1939 and 1940. Corpus Christi won over Pochontas in a thrilling game this year.

Few were lucky enough to get into the games as the ticket were sold out but those that did not enjoyed shopping, a movie or visiting relatives.

They returned home weary but happy and looking forward to another day at the tournaments next year.

JUNIOR CLASS RINGS

The Junior class is looking forward to its Senior year and—class rings. The choice is made! Early in September the rings will be delivered. Selection of announcements, too, remind that graduation from dear old Sacred Heart is only a year away for the Juniors.

One of the nicest events of the year—SODALITY RECEPTION, just before the Feast of the Immaculate Conception!



DOLORES KAPPAS
Winner of First
Prize in American
Legion Contest.



James Bonnett,
Second Prize
Winner in Am.
Legion Contest.



MARY KAY
JACOBSEN,
Champion
Speller.



We honor St. Patrick in
bearing his name
If it's "Pat" or "Patsy",
'tis ever the same:
1st Row: Patricia Brice, Pat Rea
Patricia Casserly, Pat Fitzgerald
Patricia Carver, Patricia Curran,
Patsy Dittmer. 2nd: Patricia Moyer
Patricia Donovan, Patsy Conway and
Patricia Phelan



Found among Sister
Mary Mark's treasures--
A picture of the Convent
Chapel in Boone, where
she loved to pray.

Cathedral Scenes from old
Mexico which impressed Father
Ryan on his recent tour.



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