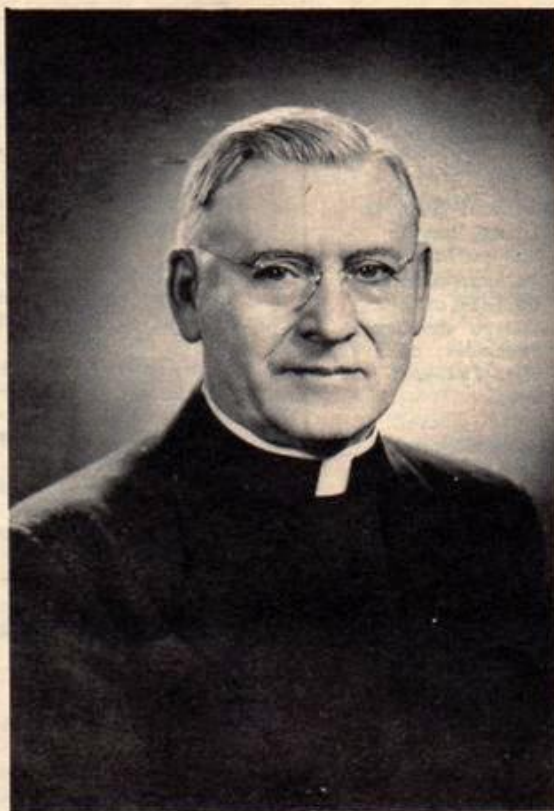


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This Commencement edition of Listenin' In is lovingly dedicated to our devoted pastor, Father J.J. Ryan, the man and servant of God who has done much for all of us by his admirable and efficient leadership in our spiritual and educational affairs. He earns our gratitude as a true and loyal friend.



## COMMENCEMENT

With graduation comes the realization that we must have a part in America's future. Thinking on this, let us kneel before the altar of God and implore His help:

Dear Jesus, please help me to do my best no matter which profession I choose, whether a doctor, lawyer, nurse, pilot, factory worker, mechanic, or religious. Help me to strive for the betterment of the world.

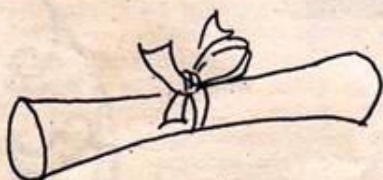
Your mother Mary appeared to the children at Fatima and told them that if they would pray the rosary we would have world peace. This is asking very little of us for such a great thing. After all, it takes only fifteen minutes to say a rosary.

Dear Lord, our government has done much in trying to develop world understanding, but I realize that unless each one in the world will give a little bit, nothing will be accomplished. May we implore You to help us? We fall on our knees now and ask mercy for us sinners who try to do right but sometimes fail. Help us, dear Lord, sustain us and make us strong, faithful soldiers to carry out Your holy will.

All the powers in the world can work toward world peace, but unless there is prayer, nothing can be had.

Jesus, we know you made man equal but not in the way communism is making men equal. People should have a voice in government, a living wage, and a voice in Religion. The people should not be made to exist for the state, they should have the State exist for the people.

Dear God, I shall try to make this a better world by striving to live to the best of my ability for the love of You and my neighbors.

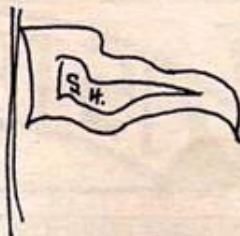


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## FIELD DAY

The Annual Field Day was held on Tuesday, May 17, in spite of threatening rain clouds. And although there were rumors of showers from nearby countrysides, favorable weather at Sacred Heart assured a successful play day.

At nine o'clock the opening prayer was lead by Father Koenig. Jim Morrissey lead the Flag Salute and Katherine Masterson, the hymn, "On This Day, O Beautiful Mother".

After the relays, broad jumping and high jumping, the grade school gave a colorful program of dances and drills, as follows:

Clown Dance.....First & Second Grade Boys.....  
Sunbonnet Babies..First & Second Grade Girls.  
Flag Drill.....Third & Fourth Grade Boys.....  
Irish Coleens.....Third & Fourth Grade Girls.  
Wand Drill.....Fifth & Sixth Grade  
Virginia Reel.....Seventh & Eighth Grade Girls  
Pyramids.....Seventh & Eighth Grade Boys  
Maypole Dance.....Fifth & Sixth Grade

High School Boys and Girls vied for the championship at baseball. Children and parents enjoyed a picnic luncheon.

At 3:00 the following awards were given:

Athletic Medal.....Donald Vest.....  
School Pennants for high points in Athletics to:  
Jim Morrissey  
Tom Garvey  
Yvonne Fitzgerald  
Clarice Coffey  
Robert Coffey  
Michael Carney  
George Steininger  
Dolores Coffey  
Alice Casserly  
Patricia Phelan

Felt Wings for faithful duty as Patrol Boys to:

James McDonald  
Gary Clark  
George Steininger  
Edward Sadler  
Michael Carney  
Richard Brown  
Robert Donovan  
David Schell  
William Curran  
Louis Anderson  
Robert Coffey  
Herbert Dittmer  
Donald Burke

Lieutenant Dittmer received a gold-colored bar and Captain Coffey, a gold star.



## CLASS PROPHECY

by  
Rose Judge



Here we are, Virginia and I, traveling across the United States by car. I'm the famous daredevil driver who just made a new-world record of 648 m/p.h., while Virginia Erickson is my secretary and mechanic, who cleans my pistons and keeps water in my radiator.

We have just left Maine in the "Go Devil", and should reach New York in about five minutes, where we will find Jim ("Skeets") Morrissey. On arriving in the Big City, we locate "Skeets", the famous sports announcer, broadcasting the famous Red Socks vs. Boston Braves game at Radio Theater. He really hasn't changed much except for his beard which is a little longer. During the visit with "Skeets", we learn that Don "Pretty Boy" Vest is now boxing at Madison Square Garden where he is defending the Heavy weight title of the world against Jim "Dude" Bennett. But we must be leaving for Chicago to visit Martha Ann Gorey.

We find Martha Ann supervising the John-Hopkins Hospital in Chicago. She shows us about Chicago and we visit the B.V.M. Convent where another of our classmates is Superior. The former Pat Fitzgerald is now Sister Mary Ignatius. We have a lovely visit, talking over old times at S.H.H.S.

We have to hurry now to make four more stops before going home to work. Boone, our "happy Hunting Grounds of '49" is next! Then Ames, where the former Katherine Masterson is now Mrs. Uthe. Katherine eagerly inquires about each classmate, and adds that being the wife of a farmer keeps her so busy she doesn't have time to read the newspaper. We stay for cake and coffee—not Clarice, we'll see her later.

Pushing on toward Omaha we see Coffey (Clarice this time), the advertising manager for Max Factor. She has had her face on every billboard in the country. She gives us samples of products and tells of her enjoyable work.

Without too much lingering, we are soon off for Denver where we find John Doyle "Snoz", the head surgeon at Fitzsimmons General Hospital. He is just coming out of the operating room and tells us that he had just completed another brain operation.

On to Hollywood! Here we find the much-talked-of actress, Rita Uthe, and have luncheon with her in her spacious eighteen-room mansion on the edge of the city. She tells of her next picture "Love's Lure" with Charles Boyer.

From coast to coast we find the Class of '49 fulfilling their duties as good citizens and we return to Maine proud that we are alumni of Sacred Heart High School.

## FIRST COMMUNION

Thirty little ones will make a three-day Retreat at Sacred Heart School on the days preceding Ascension Thursday, in preparation for their First Holy Communion. Those in the class from Sacred Heart School are: Thomas Brown, Patricia Brice, Elaine Collins, Patrick Duffy, James Hunter, George Lynch, Gary Mullins, Patricia Mlover, Michele Mlover, Kathleen McDonald, Thomas Payne, Margaret Quinn, Janet Steu-erwald; from St. Mary's Mission: Martha Sullivan, Janet Sullivan, Barbara Wilhelm; from Boone Public Schools: James Cady, Marvin Cady, Kenneth Carlson, Frederick Erickson, Thomas Judge, Janice Lynch, Mary Beth Malloy, Barbara McGurran, Monica Musgrove, Harold Schell, Rose Schell, Joseph Tornabane, Charlotte Walters, Gerogina Williams.

## JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET AND PROM

The American Legion Cabin never looked more beautiful than it did for the Junior-Senior Banquet on Wednesday, May 11. Decorated with a Spring Garden Motif the setting assured a successful dinner. Father Ryan and Father Koenig with the Seniors were the honored guests.

Madonna Miller was toastmistress; James Bennett welcomed the seniors to which Clarice Coffey gave the response; Katherine Masterson gave a toast to Alma Mater, Pat Fitzgerald to parents; and Rita Uthe to the Sisters; James Morrissey expressed gratitude to Father Koenig, and Martha Ann Gorey to Father Ryan.

After the Banquet the high school students gathered in the school hall for their annual Prom.



Whatever talent I have to learn;  
Whatever health I have to earn;  
Whatever strength I have to enjoy;  
I have all because God blesses me.

—Selected



# Graduates

of 1949

**MARY CLARICE COFFEY** — Class President  
 Hobby: Playing Tennis  
 Ambition: Efficiency in Secretarial work  
 Favorite Subject: English  
 Noted for: Red hair  
 Nick Name: Swede  
 Pet Peeve: Staggering on Greyhounds  
 History: Choir; Vice President of Junior Class; Award in Poetry Contest; Award in Essay Contest.



Clarice Coffey

**KATHERINE MASTERSON** — Vice President  
 Hobby: Collecting Records  
 Ambition: Secretarial work  
 Favorite Subject: Typing  
 Noted for: Eyelashes  
 Nick Name: Kate  
 Pet Peeve: Noisy people  
 History: Choir



Katherine Masterson

**MARTHA ANN GOREY** — Secretary-Treasurer  
 Hobby: Music  
 Ambition: Registered Nursing  
 Favorite Subject: Chemistry  
 Noted for: Translating Latin  
 Nick Name: Red  
 Pet Peeve: Shorthand  
 History: Organist, '46, '47; Choir; President of Junior Class.



Martha Ann Gorey



Rita Ann Utke

**RITA UTKE** — Sodality Prefect  
 Hobby: Music  
 Ambition: Unexpressed  
 Favorite Subject: History  
 Noted for: Country smile  
 Nick Name: Ute  
 Pet Peeve: "Undetermination"  
 History: Choir; Sec. and Treas. of Freshman Class.



Donald Vest

**DONALD L. VEST**  
 Hobby: Playing Pool  
 Ambition: Architecture  
 Favorite Subject: Math  
 Noted For: Frankness  
 Nick Name: Duval  
 Pet Peeve: Sleeping  
 History: Amateur Boxer and all-around participant in other sports.

Patron--

St. Joseph



# Quae sursum sunt quaerite



Patricia Fitzgerald



Virginia Erickson

## PATRICIA ANN FITZGERALD

Hobby: music  
Ambition: nursing  
Favorite Subject: Algebra  
Noted for: Personality  
Nick Name: Fitz  
Pet Peeve: People  
History: Organist, '46, '47, '48, '49  
Choir, "Listenin' In Reporter, Co-editor in '49.



John Doyle

## JOHN DOYLE

Hobby:  
Ambition: Doctoring  
Favorite Subject: Science  
Noted for: Vocabulary  
Nick Name: Doc  
Pet Peeve: Low grades  
History: Acolyte and Lector;



James Morrissey

## ROSE JUDGE - Artist, LISTENIN' IN

Hobby: Reading -- Driving  
Ambition: Nursing  
Favorite Subject: Geometry  
Noted for: Drawings  
Nick Name: Rosie  
Pet Peeve: Men drivers  
History: Choir; Dramatics; Art

## VIRGINIA ERICKSON - Editor, LISTENIN' IN

Hobby: Collecting antiques  
Ambition: Secretarial work  
Favorite Subject: Religion  
Noted for: Working  
Nick Name: Virg  
Pet Peeve: School  
History: Choir, '46, '47, '48, '49  
Secretary of Sophomore Class,



Rose Judge

Flower --

Camellia

## JAMES R. MORRISSEY

Hobby: Playing Pool  
Ambition: Sports announcing  
Favorite Subject: Math  
Noted For: Perseverance  
Nick Name: Skeets  
Pet Peeve: Red hair  
History: Acolyte and Lector; All-around participant in sports.





We, the Senior Class of SACRED HEART SCHOOL, Boone, Iowa, being of sound minds and memories and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make, ordain, publish, and declare this to be our last WILL AND TESTAMENT, hereby revoking all other and former wills by us at any time made.

ROSE JUDGE leaves her ability at the wheel of a car to anyone brave enough to imitate her, and her gold hair to Marguerite Newland.

CLARICE COFFEY wills her "Tweed" perfume to Rosie Koehler, and her talent at getting first prize in essay writing to Susan Judge.

MARTHA ANN GOREY leaves to "Finley J" Bennett her knowledge of chemistry, and to Coleen Casserly, her blushing ability.

PAT FITZGERALD leaves her "Sparkling Personality" to Yod Burke; her long fingernails to Mickey Conway, and her knowledge of Algebra to Joanne Pepper.

VIRGINIA ERICKSON wills "Tino" Ballantyne to Barb Morgan and her typing ability to Bert Carney.

JOHN DOYLE leaves his capability for fouling up the works at debate meetings to Janie Pepper.

RITA UTHE wills her big brown eyes to Mary Helen Rea and her sister Mary to anyone.

KATHERINE MASTERSON wills her old boy friends to Madonna Miller and her shorthand skill to Rosie Koehler.

DON VEST leaves his knowledge of cooking to Bert Carney and his manly physique to Mickey Conway.

JIM MORRISSEY leaves his sports ability to "Finley J" Bennett and his acting to "Clance Dittmer."

We will our happiness at Sacred Heart to those behind us; our appreciation to Sister Mary Leonilda and Sister Mary Hermana. We will to Sister Mary Gregory our gratitude for putting up with us this year. To Sister Mary Dolorita, our shorthand and typing ability.

## CLASS DAY

On the Feast of Our Lady, Help of Christians, May 24, the Senior class began Class Day activities with Mass and Holy Communion following which they were the guests of the Sisters for breakfast at the convent.

The program scheduled for the day delighted both the school children and an evening audience of parents and friends.

John Doyle read the Class History  
James Morrissey, the Will  
Donald Vest, the Class Prophecy

The one-act play, "Skin Deep" was given by the girls:

Miss Ida.....	Virginia Erickson
Miss Sally.....	Patricia Fitzgerald
Miss Cora Lee Blodgett .....	Martha Gorey
Mabel Miller.....	Clarice Coffey
Agnes Wood.....	Katherine Masterson
Deb Cobbins.....	Rose Judge..
Vivian Jennings.....	Rita Uthe.

## MAY P.T.A.

Mrs. Bertram Holst showed slide pictures of her travels in Africa and Egypt for the May Meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association. Each scene of rare flowers, birds, animals, or unfamiliar people was accompanied by an instructive description. Two hours passed so quickly the business meeting had to be shortened.

Refreshments were served from a beautiful tea table at which Mrs. Percy Barry poured.

## VEISHEA

The Junior and Senior classes left Friday morning at 9:30 for Ames where they spent an interesting day visiting the exhibitions of Veishea. The Chemistry, Physics, and the Anatomy in the Veterinary building were all very interesting to the classes.

Some of the students went through the WOI building and saw broadcasting, recording, and demonstrations of television.

Most of the day was spent in the Memorial Union where the meals were served. The Senior girls spent the afternoon in Ames walking, and in the evening they went to a movie. On the journey home the girls were piled into the back of Uthe's car and had a lovely ride back to Boone.

The Senior Class wills its thanks for many good times to Father Koenig. To Father Ryan, the Senior Class of '49 will their blessing and gratitude.



### MY IDEAL

All of us have ideals, whether they may be a book, a poem, a car, a town, a teacher, or a friend. My ideal is composed of several men all combined to obtain one end — "THE PERFECT MAN."

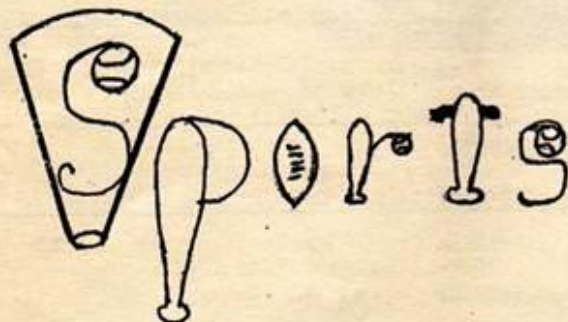
He must be as tall, dark, and handsome as Gregory Peck; a voice as soothing as Frank Sinatra's; the pocket-book of Rockefeller; as convincing as a lawyer; as firm and as just as a king; but in spite of these worldly gifts; he must be as virtuous as a Priest, and as humble as a nun.

Yes, this is my ideal, but ten years from now, I will probably look to my poor, insipid husband and say — — — "Homer, You are truly my ideal — — — — —." — Joan Pepper.

### BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE

On Tuesday, May 10, two big blue and white buses rolled up in front of Sacred Heart School and sixty young college men poured out. They were the Loras College Vested Choir, on tour through northwestern Iowa in the interest of Liturgical Music. At two o'clock they marched into the Church in Cassocks and surplices and assembled in front of the altar. The boys with Father Kleiner as their director gave selections from a Concert prepared to show the people how singing in the Catholic Church should be.

Father Kleiner announced that the choir was not scheduled to stop in Boone, but did so enroute from Fort Dodge to Ames, in honor of Sister Mary Leonilda, who gave Father his first lessons in music.



Don Vest recently won the state novice tournament in Des Moines for boxing. The title came to him by his scoring three KO'S, and the award won was a gold trophy. Don's only loss this year was to Jim Sorenson, the state light-heavy weight champion.

During the gym period the boys are playing good softball games against the seventh and eighth graders. The high school are planning to play the Alumni on Field Day and feel confident of a victory. The strength of the Alumni is not known but Jim Murphy is organizing them and expects to have a strong team.

### HIT PARADE

By Jim and Don

Martha Ann Gorey—Red Head  
Pat Fitzgerald—In My Merry Pontiac  
Rita Uthe—In The Mood  
Virginia Erickson—Go to Sleepie, Little Baby  
Clarice Coffey—There's a Blue—JAY Singing in My Heart

Rose Judge—Till The End of Time  
Jim Morrissey—She's Too Fat For Me  
Don Vest—My Irish Coleen  
John Doyle—Johnnie, Get Your Girl

Madonna Miller—I'll Be Seeing You  
Rosie Koehler—Just Plain Bill  
Jim Bennett—Bella, Bella, Rosie  
Roger Burke—Take Me Home Again, Madonna  
Bert Carney—Give Me Five Minutes More

Coleen Casserly—Love Me, Love Me, Love Me.  
Peter Conway—Little Man, You've Had a Busy Day  
Julie Doyle—It's the Animal in Me  
Clarence Dittmer—Clancy Lowered the Boom  
Tom Garvey—More Beer  
Mary Kay Jacobson—I'm Nuts—About You

Yvonne Fitzgerald—The Martins and the McCoy's  
Jane Pepper—Smarty  
Marguerite Newland—All Alone  
Helen Yegge—You've Taken My Heart

Joan Pepper—I'm Always Chasing "Finley"  
Mary Uthe—So Long, Mary  
Pat Casserly—Sweet Georgie You'll  
Dick Burke—Mr. Five by Five  
Joyce Matt—Do You Ever Think Of Me.  
Jim Ballantyne—Richest Man in the Cemetery  
Eleanor Selzer—I Love An Old-Fashioned Song  
Susie Judge—Open the Door, Richard  
Jim Quinn—Get Lost  
Barbara Morgan—Now Is The Time To Fall In Love  
Mary Helen Rea—Three O'Clock in the Morning

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### ESSAY AWARDS

Madonna Miller was awarded \$5 by the Elks for her essay on "Why Democracy Works."

Clarice Coffey's essay on "My Part in America's Future" won first place in the contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and will be entered in the state contest. Maybe Clarice has more than the \$10 coming to her. Madonna Miller received \$2.50 in the same contest for the third place her paper received.

In the American Legion Contest on the subject "What Kind of an American Am I", Tom Garvey was awarded \$7.50 as second prize.

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FOUND: Silver Rosary with engraving  
? ? ? on back of crucifix. Owner may call  
at school office to claim it.

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A HAPPY VACATION TO ALL



CLASS HISTORY  
by  
Clarice Coffey

School doors swung open wide and on a September morning far back in the year of "1937", our class sought admittance to SACRED HEART SCHOOL.

Within the group were nine of our present Seniors: Katherine Masterson, Patricia Fitzgerald, Rita Uthe, Martha Ann Gorey, Clarice Coffey, Virginia Erickson, James Morrissey, John Doyle, and Don Vest. Sister Mary William James willingly received us and passed on to us our first seeds of knowledge. Many happy days were spent performing in the rhythm band, and acting out our first play, The Wedding of Jack and Jill.

Though registrations followed during each succeeding September, and withdrawals of transient members, all through the years these same nine remained. Through grade school there were countless interesting and happy accomplishments such as putting on our first dramatic venture, THE BIRDS' CHRISTMAS CAROL. One part of school which we always liked especially was "recess."

In leaving the grades and entering high school, we remember well how much gratitude we owe to our grade school teachers who started us as six-year old boys and girls and guided us through our first steps towards becoming young men and women. After first and second grade, Sister Mary William James turned us over to Sister Mary Leocadia for third and fourth. Then Sister Mary Clare Ellen took charge of us for fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth.

The present class entered high school as young, timid, and very green freshmen. Green is hardly the word! We were so green that when we walked up the lawn we were perfectly, protectively colored—we couldn't be told from the grass. We thought cube root was the hardest thing to learn. We had studied about Washington, Lincoln, and President McKinley, but we thought the Renaissance was a new kind of motor car, and that Hannibal was the name of a river. But we soon got over our timidity, and started diligently into new subjects: algebra with the terms  $x, y, z$ , our first foreign language, Latin, and science was added to our schedule. One of the greatest joys during this year was the arrival of Rose Judge into our class.

Then came our sophomore year. One of the most interesting subjects of this year was biology. The seniors remember well the dark, stormy night that they dissected the cat. Another fond memory is the play, "Call It a Day" that we put on, with Sister Mary Gregory as directress. It turned out splendidly, and we had a lot of fun doing it, too. Father Koenig started the K of C dances in this year. We can never thank him enough for providing such gay Thursday evenings.

Junior year then sped by us very fast with its American History, and pounding away at the typewriter. Then came our big moment—we were Seniors! The girls waded into shorthand and the boys started working the advanced problems of solid geometry. We showed our dramatic talent with Jim Morrissey and Don Vest putting on their humorous skit "What Are You Selling?"; the girls staging a more serious number "Vocation Room". On Class Day the Senior girls gave the comedy, "Skin Deep." Various activities, such as Veishea, Field Day, the High School Picnic, and Class Day filled the last moments of our high school days and left most enjoyable memories.

In leaving high school we remember gratefully our teachers who were tireless in trying to show us how to be young men and women. In Freshmen year, we had Sister Mary Alacoque; Sophomore year, Sister Mary Gregory; Junior year, Sister Mary Hermana; and in Senior year, Sister Mary Gregory and Sister Mary Dolorita.

Soon it will be Graduation Day and we shall don caps and gowns, to leave all these happy memories behind us. The class of '49 enters now into different fields, some to College, others to the medical field, a few into the world of business, but all know that the happiness of each one depends upon the doing well of whatever is presented to be done.

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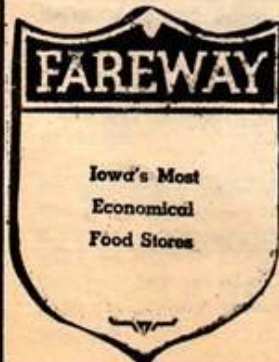
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