

Aquinas Grads Tops In Colleges Elected To Lead Classes On Six Campuses

Six Aquinas Institute graduates have been elected as top leaders of their colleges — a unique record believed unrivaled by any other school in the nation.

The Aquinas boys are student presidents at the University of Rochester, Notre Dame, LeMoyne, Villanova, St. John Fisher and St. Michael's.

Thomas A. Hoffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hoffman of 80 Merwin Avenue, has been elected president of the student body and chairman of the student council at Villanova University, Villanova, Pennsylvania.

A member of St. James parish, Irondequoit, and a 1956 graduate of Aquinas Institute, Hoffman has been a leader in student affairs throughout his college career.

An honor student, he has taken part in intramural sports, served in the Spirit Committee, the Student Senate, the Orientation Committee and other student activities. While at Aquinas he was a member of several school clubs and was co-editor of the editorial page of the school newspaper.

Richard A. Corbett, son of Donald J. Corbett and the late Mrs. Corbett, is senior class president of the University of Notre Dame. His family home is 75 Brownsville Blvd. in St. John the Evangelist parish, Hamlet.

Presently he is serving as chairman of the Democratic Political Convention to be conducted by the students of the University on April 1 to 6. He is a member of the dean's list, the Blue Circle honor society, a student senior and is coach of the boxing team.

During his high school days at Aquinas Institute, from which he graduated in 1956, he was four times a Mission Boat champion. He excelled in oratory, debating and played on the junior varsity football team.

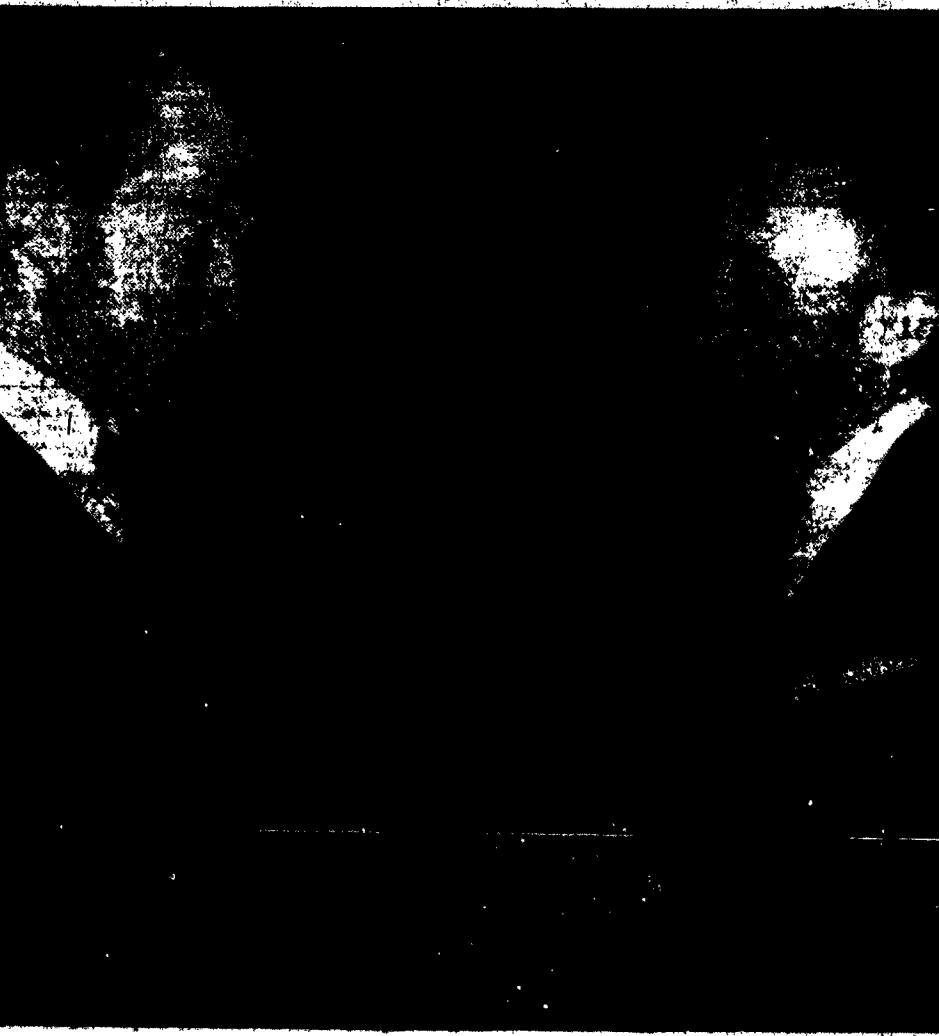
Joseph A. Polizzi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Polizzi of St. Ambrose parish, is senior class president of St. John Fisher College. His home is at 82 Yorkville Road, a member of the student board of governors since his graduation from Aquinas Institute in 1956. Polizzi was elected by the student body to the coveted post.

For the past two years he has also been Prefect of the Sociality and co-editor of ETIAM Journal. An accomplished musician, he was accompanist during his high school years for the school glee club and played in the Aquinas swing band.

John R. Parrinello, long known to Rochester football fans, is president of the Senior Class of the University of Rochester.

An all-time great on the Aquinas football teams he continued his gridiron success to become co-captain of the U. of R. team and received an honorable mention on the Little All-American team. A recipient of a U. of R. scholarship, he is student battalion commander of the N.R.O.T.C. unit, photographer for the Quilting Club, steward and executive council member of Theta Delta Chi and played on the baseball team.

He is a member of Holy Apostles parish and resides with



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his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Parrinello, 18 Villa Street, an announcer for Radio Station WBDL in Olean, New York.

Mike L. Tomanovich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Tomovich of 801 Stone Road, is President of the Senior Class of LeMoyne College. He is a member of St. Charles Borromeo parish, Greece.

Pursuing a pre-medical course, he is sports editor of the school yearbook, a member of the orchestra society, plays intramural sports and is a member of the elections committee.

Science Fair Tomorrow

Space vehicles, chemistry progress and latest techniques in scientific farming will be some of the highlights of the science fair at St. Agnes high school, tomorrow, Saturday, March 26, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Over 80 schools of the Diocese have prepared exhibits open to the public.

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Bus Rides Voted OK

The New York State Legisla-

Catholics across the nation will join citizens of all religious faiths this Sunday to contribute toward relief aid for the world's needy.

A special collection will be taken at all Masses in the 150 parishes of the Rochester Diocese to swell the fund to feed cloth and house the victims of war, persecution and natural catastrophes.

The Church seeks a total of \$5,000,000 from American Catholics in this annual midwinter Christian charity appeal.

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men of the Immaculate Conception parish, Holy Name Society at Malden Public High School.

Cardinal Cushing stressed that the nomination of a Presidential or Vice-Presidential candidate of the Catholic faith by either political party will be the occasion for broadcasting false ideas concerning the social mission of the Church.

Predicting "many manifestations of these false impressions," if a Catholic is nominated, the Cardinal said the election climate may not be identical with that of 1952.

"If you listen to some people they will tell you about a political hierarchy in the Church, of a tremendous pressure movement on the part of the Church to get a Catholic elected, or your priests in this country have direct contact with the Vatican every weekend mapping out plans," the Cardinal said.

"Nothing could be further from the truth," he declared.

Stressing that the Vatican has "no interest" in U. S. politics, Cardinal Cushing said:

"In my contacts with two Popes, the only thing I was ever questioned about was spiritual conditions of the society of priests and people. That is all the Popes are concerned about."

In reference to relations of Church and State at a local level, Cardinal Cushing declared:

"Catholic bishops have not crossed the threshold of City Hall within my memory. And the only time I crossed the threshold of the State House in 20 years was to offer a prayer when the late Governor Paul A. Dever was inaugurated for the first time."

Paying tribute to Catholic patriotism in war and peace, Cardinal Cushing added:

"Catholics have been in this country since pioneer days and many, many of them have died for this country."

"Those of us who come from immigrant parents know them wear themselves into premature graves in order to give opportunities to their children that they themselves never had, and to make sure their offspring would be loyal citizens of the City of God and the City of Man."

Communion Law Eased

Vatican City — Holy Communion may be given during the evening independently of Mass according to a Vatican decree issued this week.

Bishops are authorized to permit giving of Communion in connection with some religious service such as Benediction Station or other public rite.

The permission includes parochial churches and chapels of religious houses, hospitals, and other institutions.

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