

Campus Dateline

Attend Conclave

Sister M. J. Janssens, principal of Nazareth Academy, and Sister M. Annunziata, vice principal, are attending the 77th annual convention of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools at Atlantic City, New Jersey, Dec. 27-29.

The theme, "Education and the Freedom of the Mind," will be considered in all its facets beginning with the keynote speaker, James A. Perkins, president of Cornell University, who is expected to provoke thinking and discussion on "What is freedom of the mind?" The next step will be to consider the curriculum in terms of the basic elements shared by school and the college.

State Finalists

Sandra M. Morrison and Mary K. Mulvihill, seniors of Saint Agnes High School, state finalists in the National Council of Teachers of English Achievement Awards Program for 1963, are among the 270 outstanding students of high school English in the country. The NCTE has named them 1963 national winners in its annual Achievement Awards competition.

Oratory Contest

McQuaid Jesuit High School failed in its bid to defend the St. John's University Tournament title it captured last year, but 3 members of its contingent distinguished themselves in the 75-school competition last weekend.

Senior Stephen Mayka, of 111 Knollwood Drive, Brighton, was one of 10 finalists in the extemporaneous oratory division, against over 100 entries. Mayka, who just finished his football activities two weeks ago, wound up fifth.

Liturgy Day

The Rev. John Skvorak, assistant director of the Sodality Day at Nazareth Academy, Dec. 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Mary in the liturgy will be the theme emphasizing Mary's place in the Church and the work of salvation. Sodality and Student Council will cooperate in this program. Both of these organizations have been stressing liturgical renewal by directing Bible Vigils and the singing of psalms during the Communion of the Mass.

Honor Roll

McQuaid Jesuit High School's honor roll for the second marking period listed 258 students, almost one-third of the total enrollment of 798.

Sixty students attained first honors, 125 second honors, and 71 honorable mention. Freshman year topped the list with 83 names, including 21 for first honors.

Science-Math

The Catholic high schools' Science-Math Seminar is presently in its second cycle for 1963-64. It has been active for five years.

The purpose of the seminar is to allow gifted students with an interest in science and math the opportunity to further investigate these fields. Weekly on Tuesday evenings members meet with area scientists who generously contribute their time to the students' learning. The seminar is held at Our Lady of Mercy High School and Sister Mary Edward, Mercy faculty member, is the moderator.

13 Rewarded

Thirteen Mercy seniors have received the Letter of Commendation Award for outstanding achievement in the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

They are Barbara Bourcy, Cheryl Farone, Joan Weber, Mary Jo Finnegan, Patricia Hagen, Kathleen Hickey, Barbara Hoffman, Kathleen Neary, Margaret Rosowski, Mary Agnes Schaefer, Sally Schreiber, Mary Anna Shepleman and Rosemary Vogt.

Christmas Party

The St. Agnes High Mothers' Club Christmas party for the faculty will be held at the school on Monday, Dec. 9 at 8:30 p.m. in the school auditorium and adjoining gymnasium.

After a welcoming address by Judith Golden, daughter of Mrs. James Golden, president of the Mothers' Club, Dawn Reid, daughter of Mrs. Edmund Reid, vice president, will act as master of ceremonies and introduce the school band for its first public performance this year.

Personality Expert

Miss Anne Culkin, originator of the Anna Culkin Course of Personality Development, will offer her assistance to Nazareth Academy the week of Dec. 10 to 12.

Throughout the week Miss Culkin will present lectures to the students during the morning and afternoon. She will also be available for personal interviews.

Miss Culkin, mentioned in Who's Who of American Women, is a graduate of Maryland College in Pennsylvania. She comes to Nazareth Academy from a background of theater, radio and television. Considered one of the country's most outstanding lecturers, she has addressed over 200,000 women in 49 states. Educators and religious leaders have described her approach to personality development as unique. Miss Culkin is author of the nationally syndicated newspaper column Talk to Over, which appears in the Catholic Courier Journal and the popular current book Charm for Young Women.

Advent Project

Culminating their annual Advent project of filling Christmas baskets for "adopted" families, the students of St. Agnes High School will assist at a Mass offered for these families Wednesday morning, Dec. 11 by their chaplain, Father Ciesing.

Each student will participate by reciting the prayers of the Mass. Sodality Prefect Patricia Glew will read in English the Introit, Collect, Gospel, Offertory and Communion prayers of this Mass.

During the singing of an offertory hymn by the entire student body, a representative from each homeroom, carrying the gift from the homeroom baskets, will form an offertory procession.

Tri-Service Talk

The second in a series of tri-service lectures was given today to the Junior Religion Teachers of St. Agnes High School at their monthly department meeting.

Sister M. Edwardine, chairman of the St. Agnes History Department and summer lecturer in medieval and modern history at Nazareth College, spoke to the Church History teachers on the world events from the Council of Trent to the Second Vatican Council which have had effects on the history of the Church.

The first lecture of the series was given by Sister M. Joanna, instructor in World History as well as Church History. She outlined the topics covered in both these courses. At Saint Agnes, World History is studied in second year, with Church History in the third year. With this outline the religion teachers then planned which topics were in need of depth teaching.

Prayer Day

The Sodality of St. Agnes High School will sponsor a Day of Recollection this Sunday, Dec. 8 from 1 to 7 p.m. for all its own members and for any SAE girl belonging to her parish sodality.

Rev. Robert J. Winterkorn, assistant pastor of St. John the Evangelist, Greece, has formulated the program with Sister Maria Vincent of St. Agnes. Father himself will deliver the conferences, lead the rosary, and at 4:30 conduct a holy hour similar to those conducted monthly at St. Joseph's Church for teenagers.

The topics of Father's conferences will be "The Courage

Wie Gehts? Bene!

A festival of languages was held recently at Cardinal Mooney High School in a colorful hour-long spectacle which included Thomas Moore, German; James Barabato as Caesar, Latin; Andrew McBride, Spanish; Cynthia Mischick, French, and Mary Ann Wheaton, Spanish.

Golden Mass

Two weeks of planning Christmas baskets for needy families will culminate in Our Lady of Mercy High School's annual Golden Mass on Dec. 12. All food and gifts brought in by the students will be offered in the auditorium at this time.

Honor Student

At the end of the first quarter 1963-64, twenty Mercurians have positions on the Scholarship Roll (SA's, nothing less than B) and 235 girls are on the Honor Roll (B average), according to Mother Mary Florence, principal.

Press Conference

Joining newspaper, yearbook and magazine staffs from all over the country at the National Scholastic Press Association Conference in Chicago last weekend, Nov. 28-30, were Mary Mulvihill, editor-in-chief of the "Palm," the St. Agnes High School publication; Joan Weber, assistant editor; Sister Mary John, moderator; and Sister Ann De Porre.

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