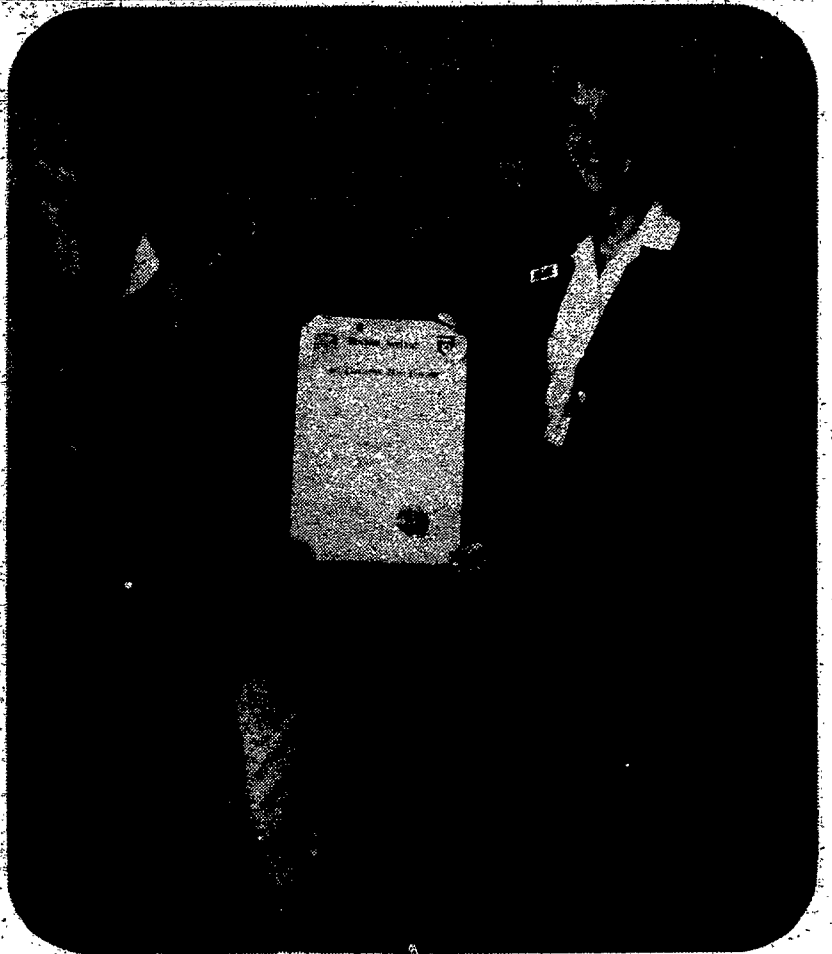




McQuaid Sports Rally

Photos by Susan McKinney

McQuaid's hockey team was put in force on Friday, Dec. 3 for the school's winter sports assembly. Other teams present were wrestling, swimming and basketball. McQuaid players and coaches were optimistic about year's chances.



Band President Paul Piccini, and Drum Major Kim Jackson exhibit the invitation to the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Dublin.



Retreat Weekend

Twenty girls from Nazareth Academy, John Marshall High School and De Sales High in Geneva took part in a Christian Growth Weekend, Dec. 3-5. The high school retreat was sponsored by the Sisters of St. Joseph Vocation Core Group at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse on East Avenue.

The weekend opened at 7 p.m. Friday with a talk on "Person and Womanhood" given by Ms. Barbara Skornia, a theology teacher at Nazareth Academy, and Sue Nowak, a senior at Nazareth College. Both Ms. Skornia and Ms. Nowak are associate members of the Sisters of St. Joseph. Following this initial talk, the girls participated in a prayer service based on the talk, shared prayer together, and concluded the evening with snacks.

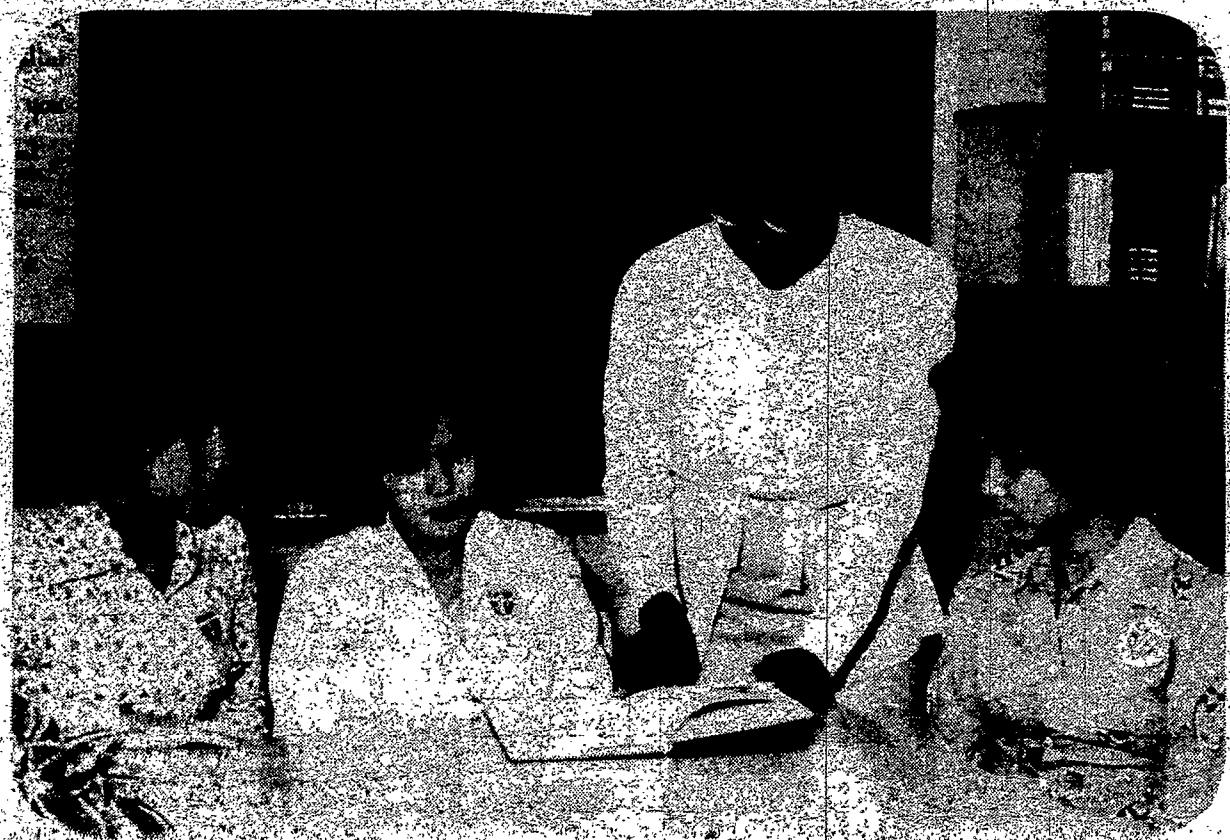
The rest of the weekend included prayer sessions, scriptural readings, further talks, a movie on "Reconciliation and Forgiveness," and a penance service celebrated by Father Brian Murphy, chaplain at Nazareth Academy.

The Christian Growth weekend was planned by Sister Elaine Engler and Ms. Barbara Skornia of Nazareth Academy and Sister Rita Quigley of DeSales, Geneva.

All for a Good Cause

Photo by Ben Susso

Aquinas held a magazine drive with student sales prizes which included typewriters, tape recorders, and cash. The favorite prize, however, was the chance given to students who topped daily quotas to throw pies at teachers. Very enthusiastic about this pastime was Dave Arena, top salesman for Tuesday, Dec. 7. The lucky teacher was Paul LaCour. Proceeds from the drive will be used to reduce the school debt and defray budget expenses.



International Rapport

Sister Agatha Megunia from Kenya is pointing out an English lesson to Annette Nocon, recently arrived from the Philippines. Sister is student teaching at St. Agnes High School as part of her master's requirement at Nazareth College. Annette and her sisters, Cynthia who is a freshman, and Rhoda, a senior, are fast becoming acquainted with the St. Agnes curriculum, students and faculty.

Marching Kings off to Ireland

There is excitement around the band room at Bishop Kearney these days; it is caused by the scroll received last week from the lord mayor of Dublin inviting the Marching Kings back for "Shamrock Time in Ireland 1977."

If they raise the money necessary to make the trip, and the students are determined that they will, it will be their sixth appearance in the Dublin parade. They're crowd-pleasers, no doubt about that, since no sooner was the Dublin invitation received and tentatively accepted, than invitations arrived from Galway, Waterford, Cork, and Limerick, to say nothing of the invitation from the citizens of Callan in County Kilkenny, birthplace of Brother Edmund Ignatius Rice, founder of the Irish Christian Brothers who staff Bishop Kearney High School.

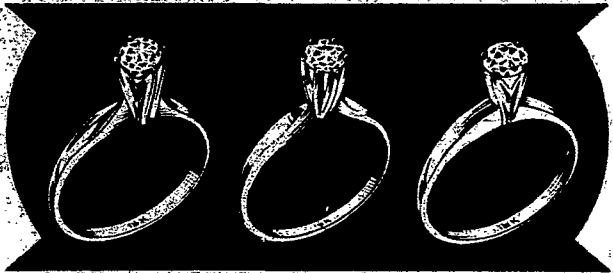
It will be impossible for the Kings to accept all these invitations since time is very limited, but they do plan to visit Galway, Waterford, and Callan on their way to Dublin with a rest break for a day or so at Killarney — but they may not get too much rest there since the mayor has asked them to perform also.

The students will be very busy from now until March 11 when they leave, holding buffet dinners, jumble sales and a roast beef dinner.

While they prepare for their trip, they also must get ready for a Christmas Concert and keep up with their studies. So, come March, they hope it will be "Cead Mile Failte" (A Hundred Thousand Welcomes) in Ireland for the band.

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