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Equal Time

Do you think professional athletes are worth the money they are asking for an getting? **BISHOP KEARNEY**

> **HERB NICOLAY** Senior football

"No. I think they are worth an exceptional amount of money but not what they are getting. The entertainment they give to people is worth a lot because of the money taken in, and the players should have a share of it, but I think they are hurting pro sports because ticket prices are too high for many

people."

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"Yes, because people want to pay to see them play and if the owners want to pay that much for them, they should et it. I think it could hurt professional sports because there will come a time when the athletes will just play for the money and the quality of the game will go down.

JERRIANN PETERS Junior

"No, because you can use the money for other things like for starving people or to help people who are unemployed. There are people who do more difficult work than, say, being a baseball player. Players play sports because they enjoy it so they really shouldn't get that much. People who

have to do what they are doing should get that money.

> **DAWN PRYOR** Junior

"No. They shouldn't get all that money.



The money could be used for social services or fixing up cities. I don't think they should get all that money for something they enjoy doing. It is not like a policeman out on the treets who is risking his

JIM BUCKHEIT Senior SRO member

"I think it is terrible that people are willing

to waste money on recreational sports when people who are necessary to society, like nurses and teachers, are struggling for their jobs and are being pushed out. It's a reflection on our society."

TIM ANDRES football

"Pro athletes are worth as much as the

team can get from the fans who want to see them play. It's too bad the fans have to pay so much money but it is in the players' best interest to go for as much money as they can get. It is a part of sports and everyone expects it. It doesn't hurt pro sports."

TERRY FALK football

"No, because you have marginal players making more money then



the president of the U.S. For example, Dave Roberts of Houston and the super stars like Dave Winfield, who is making one million dollars, which is more than most people make in a lifetime. I think pro athletes have a unique and

phenomenal talent but I don't think they should take advantage of it to that extent. I think it hurts professional sports. I think people are turned off by it and ticket prices are so high that people can't afford to go

> **ELENA POST** Junior

"No, not really, because people are breaking their backs to make a living and athletes are just getting paid all this money to play a game.'



Winner's Circle

RapAround weekly will run a photo of a group of students taken somewhere in the diocese. One person will be circled and if that person brings the clipping to the Courier Journal before noon of the Tuesday following our publication date, he or she will receive \$5. This week's photo was taken at Bishop Kearney in the cafeteria. The person circled should bring the clipping to Joan M. Smith, Courier-Journal, 114 South Union St., by noon, Tuesday, March 9, to receive \$5.

Fifty Years of Memories Join Boxers at Ringside

The finals of the Aquinas Championship Bouts scheduled for 7:30 p.m., Friday, March 12, will mark the 50th anniversary of this event. Under the chairmanship of Robert Bell, class of 57, a committee has been named to honor the anniversary in a special way. A commemorative program is being printed which will detail the history of the bouts, outstanding events and list each "fighter of the night" over the 50 years.

During early preparation for the golden anniversary there was a question if it truly has the 50th anniversary. William F. McCarthy, '39, school archivist, verified that the bouts are indeed 50 years old, Max Russer, '32, informed him on the phone that participated in the first mission fight held at Aquinas the spring of 1932. His opponent was John A. Mästrella, class of '30. Ac-

Lasing The Pain Of Hunger

Eleven members of Quaid's student governent, with the assistance of a ed Cross Youth Incentive Frant, purchased food, cooked it and served it on a recent Sunday at St. Joseph's flouse of Hospitality, student officer Dan Cardinali said last

Cardinali said the grant of from the Red Cross was ombined with money donated by the student overnment for the event.

St. Joseph's House of ospitality, a Catholic orker facility, feeds indigent ople among its programs.

AQ Band Scores Hit

According to school surces, the Aquinas band's inual excursion to Saranac ke was a success. On the cekend of February 12-14, band traveled to the dirondack town to parin the towns annu Winter Carnival and parade. or the second year in a ow, the band won first prize the parade for best marching unit.

After the marching impetition and Jazz Band ncert, the band was given e time and the members vent ice skating, tobagganing nd skiing. After Mass and a carty breakfast on Sunday norning the band headed ome with the trophy.

Kehearsals In Session

Cardinal Mooney High chool will present its Spring iusical, "Guys and Dolls," at p.m., on Friday, April 30, and Saturday, May 1, and Friday and Saturday, May 7-



On left, junior Emil Grugnale strikes a classic boxing pose with fellow classmate Joe Fiorino in a practice session for the Aquinas Championship Bouts. Finals will be at 7:30 p.m., Friday, March 12 in the Aquinas

cording to Pat Shannon, '32, who also participated in the first bouts, Mastrella was "an intercollegiate champ from Syracuse University.

The bouts began when Father Joseph O'Grady, principal, announced that Max Russer had permission to use the gym to raise money for the missions. Admission was ten cents at the door. Shannon reported that in addition to the above named persons, other members of the class of '32 who took part were: Hugh Marks, Michael Pellino, Chester Maliborski, Mark Finocchiaro, Denis Tanis, James Allan and Richard Fink. Shannon's opponent was Gerard Della Porta in the first fight. It ended in a draw.

Russer now runs a successful meat business near Cowlesville. Mastrella is now the Honorable John A. Mastrella, a New York State Justice of the Supreme Court. Shannon is living in retirement Geneseo.

Dominic Arioli, 73, is coordinator for this year's bouts in which 60 boys will be participating. Preliminary fights begin the week of March 8.

Ringside seats for the finals are \$4 and general admission tickets are \$3 and can be obtained by calling the school at 254-2020.



Nazareth varsity basketball players Cheryl Shank and Kris Wiant board the "Nazvan" for a game at Edison Tech.

Around Town In a Red Van

Nazareth Academy students in the past have had to rely on parents and friends for transportation to games, concerts and field trips. A new addition, however, to the school's fleet of vehicles has eliminated the transportation problems. The "Nazvan," a red passenger van, can now be seen carrying basketball players at times, bass drums at other times, and costumes and scenery for the school play at others.

"It's made a big difference, having most of the team riding in the same vehicle," said Richard Hendrick, basketball coach. "It really affects team spirit."

The van was donated by the Parents' Club with proceeds from the annual Garage Sale held in November.

Deadline

The deadline for submitting news to the Courier-Journal is noon on Thursday preceding the following Wednesday's publication.

