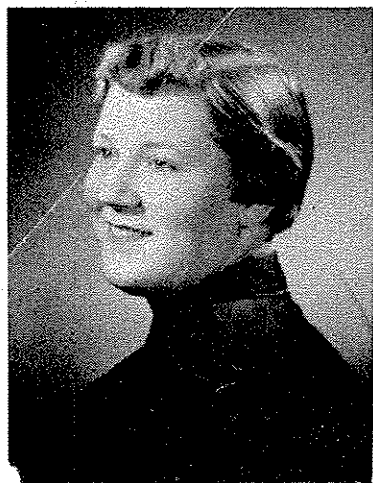


FIVE '56 GRADS ACCEPT GOD'S CALL



Virginia Bauer

Six Notre Dame students of the graduation class of 1956 accepted God's call to serve Him in religious life.

Having scarcely laid aside their cap and gown, Beverly Reck and Alva Chandler left for the Ripa Motherhouse in June.

A few weeks later on July 18, Rene Reeb of Blessed Sacrament Parish, joined the White Sisters at their Motherhouse in Pennsylvania.

Deanne Statmann received her candidate bonnet of the School Sisters of Notre Dame at St. James' Parish Millstadt, August 29. On the same day, Ann Boismenuue, received the bonnet of the School Sisters of Notre Dame at Holy Angels Church in E. St. Louis.

Deanne, sister of Marlene Stratmann, was a very active member of her class and a credit to Notre Dame Academy for her outstanding co-operation. The Sodality was her first choice of organizations, but she served as G.A.A. president and assistant business manager of the Read-A-Wee.

Beverly Reck, a member of St. Peter and Paul in Collinsville, was quite prominent in school activities as an assistant editor of the Read-A-Wee.

Alva Chandler, a member of St. Augustines Parish, left a school record of high merit. She was a member of the Sodality for two years and received high honors in the Greater St. Louis Science Fair meriting a place in the National Science Fair.

Rene's two years at N. D. are well accounted for. She was made Notre Dame's chief Homemaker in her senior year by winning the Betty Crocker Homemaking contest.

Virginia Bauer was invested with the postulant's habit of the Nursing Sisters of St. Francis at Springfield on September 8. Virginia is a member of Cathedral Parish in Belleville.

Her interest in hospital work resulted because of her work as a Mary's Helper at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Later she worked there as a full time employee.

From Notre Dame go best wishes and blessings to these girls for their perseverance in God's service.

The class of '56 is the first class in several years to give that many graduates to religion.

The Read-a-Wee

XXXII No. 1 ACADEMY OF NOTRE DAME, BELLEVILLE, ILL. September, 1956

Organizations Name Leaders

Tying knots around Notre Dame's organizations are the newly elected presidents of the 1956-57 school year.

Judy Rafalowski heading the Student Council.

The C.S.M.C. elected Carol Jean Bodenbergh president.

Patty Blanquart, the new Library Guild president, invites you to come and browse among new books.

Asking for your co-operation to make the Yearbook better than ever, is Sandy Ballard, editor-in-chief.

The Sodality Prefect is Maryann Frefes.

Band president, Janet Vernier, looks forward to a great year for the band.

Chairman of Mary's Helpers at St. Elizabeth's is Mary Salomone and at St. Mary's is Mary Jane Nadler.

N. D. Scope

Christine Steiner, accelerated student, and Georgia Schmidt, graduate of '56, visited Notre Dame on Thursday, September 13. Chris and Georgia had just returned from Registration Day at St. Louis University, the choice college of both girls.

Christine was admitted to the Honor Society of English at St. Louis University. Her admission was decided by her score in the U.'s placement test.

Four Added To ND Faculty

In response to the continued increase in the enrollment of Notre Dame it has become necessary to enlarge the faculty with four new members.

Sister Reginald comes to us from St. Mary of the Pine in Chatawa, Mississippi and is serving as our new principal.

Sister Mary Ann Catherine, who is being kept busy with a freshman homeroom, and chemistry has been assigned to us from St. Dominic in Breeze, Illinois. She replaces Sister M. Joecile who is now on the college faculty of Notre Dame College.

Mrs. Robert Knauer, who has returned to her Alma Mater, is instructing the Freshmen and Sophomores in their English.

Sister Hortense is taking Sister Leo's place in the general office.

While Miss Troupé and Sister Patricius, members of last year's staff, have been assigned new posts, N. D. welcomes Sisters Reginald, Mary Ann Catherine, Hortense and Mrs. Robert Knauer.

Diocesan Living Rosary, Oct. 7

First School Assembly Program Spotlights Science Wonders

Mr. Cooper Gives Thrilling Exhibition On Radar, Atomic Energy, Jet Propulsion and Radio

In a very entertaining assembly on Thursday, September 27, Edwin Cooper tried to give Notre Dame girls' minds a little push in the following of a vocation in the field of science. Mr. Cooper's program was truly scientific, yet he presented radar, atomic energy, and other examples of physical science in a dramatic manner. He also discussed careers in science for hard-working and enthusiastic students.

Mr. Cooper, a graduate of the University of Chicago, has taught physics at Northwestern University and at North Park College. Because of a bone disease contracted during his childhood, he is handicapped as a result. However, this has not kept Mr. Cooper from having a career in one of today's most challenging and promising professions, a profession inviting young scientists to discover its many unsolved mysteries. He actively encourages others to become members of some chosen field in this same profession.

Edwin Cooper believes physical science is the most fascinating subject in the world. He also knows that many high school students have a potential talent for physics but are not interested.

Drive Launched for RAW Yearbook

Once again, September brought another Read-A-Wee Drive into full swing. Beginning on September 9 and running until September 25, the Drive prompted students to strive for a minimum of 500 patrons to enable Notre Dame to publish its first padded-cover yearbook, plus the necessary quota to cover the expenses of both paper and yearbook.

Prizes awarded were; first, a portable radio, next a smart overnight case, and third, a record album. A special treat for the highest homeroom was given, plus cash homeroom prizes.

Playing an essential part in the Subscription Drive was the Business Staff, headed by Advertising Managers Dot Ford and Lois Schiebel.

To the business managers and their assistants the drive meant many hours of balancing and totaling of points and cash each evening. They were supervised and aided in their work by Miss Rita Troupe, Faculty Business Adviser.

Just before the Read-A-Wee went to press, the winners of the Drive were announced. First prize, a portable radio, was won by Sandy Hoeffken, 645 points. Second prize went to Maureen Stratmann, 595 points. The third prize was awarded Nancy Smith, 352 points. Honorable mention goes to Carolyn Tindall.

Days to Remember

- Oct. 5—Living Rosary
- Oct. 7-13—Fire Prevention Wk. Activities in classrooms
- Oct. 7—Ring Ceremony Seniors and Alumnae
- Oct. 9—Mission Day
- Oct. 10, 8 p.m.—Father's Club Meeting
- Oct. 19, 1:15 p.m. Assembly Deep River Quartet
- Oct. 24, 2 p.m.—Dedication to Christ the King
- Oct. 25 & 26—Teachers' Institute Holidays
- Oct. 26, 1 p.m. Mother's Club Meeting, Juniors entertain.
- Oct. 28, 3 p.m.—Family Day; Alumnae
- Nov. 1—All Saints Day Holiday
- Nov. 6, 2 p.m.—Assembly "Characters in Clay"
- Nov. 8—Alumnae Card Party
- Nov. 12-16—Report Cards

New Statue Attracts Returning Students

When school began at N. D. many new and old faces were present. Most prominent among these were the faces of Our Lady and Her Son as they welcomed the returning students for the coming school year.

Originally from the convent building, this statue has been rejuvenated through the artistic ability of S. M. Victorine. The statue is enshrined upon a green, gray, and white purma-stone base, a gift of the Class of '56, which was made possible through the chairmanship of Deanne Stratmann and Kay Donlan. Embedded

in this base is a gold plaque naming the donors. Planters, also donated by the class, have been placed in front and in back of the statue. Our Lady and Her Son are ever present to remind future students of former Principal Sister M. Paula's words, "When you say Notre Dame, think of Our Lady."

Shirley Compton, Sr. 102, says, "The new statue greatly improves the looks of the main corridor, while it is a constant reminder of Our Lady's guidance."

Ten Homerooms Elect Class Prexies

Notre Dame homerooms took on a conventional attitude as class presidents for the immediate school year were elected. Girls of outstanding character traits were chosen.

Senior homeroom 102 favored Mary Jo Rukavina; 110 chose Roslie Kern, while 109 elected Joanne Gnojewski.

Junior choices were: from 206, Mary Evelyn Forestner; and Dian Rabel from 207; Judy Kassebaum, 201.

Karen Jung was elected in Sophomore 205; in 306, Nancy Elliot; Judy Lawrence in 305; and Jean Kuebel in 309.



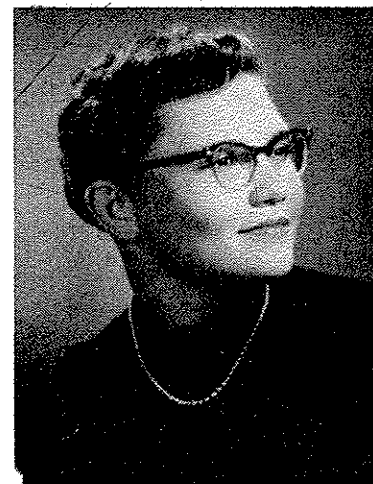
Alva Chandler



Beverly Reck



Rene Reeb



Deanne Stratmann

Father-Daughter Banquet

There will be no Freshman-Sophomore Father-Daughter Banquet. The Juniors and Seniors no have that special privilege set aside for them. This revised custom will be put into effect as of this year.



Admiring the new statue and base donated by the Class of '56 are the new Student Council Officers, Judy Rafalowski, president; Doris Donna, vice-president; Mary Esther Nurdin, secretary; Carolyn Zimmermann, treasurer; and Jackie Ellis, sergeant-at-arms.

Don't Read This

by ROBERTA ARNOLD

DON'T READ THIS if you are not Miss Charlene Chitterchatter, Lola Lockerbanger, Trixie Trayclanger, or various other Misses of the "Noise" clan. This article is not for you, if you do not talk in the halls, bang your locker, or clang your trays in the cafeteria. My goal is to convert the people of Bang-O-Land into good upstanding citizens of "Peace and Quiet."

The most terrible of the "Noise" clan is Charlene Chitterchatter. Her ways are as noisy as her name suggests. She talks during announcements on the P. A. and in the corridors, in the study hall, and in the Library, in the Girl's room, and in the class rooms. I imagine she even talks in her sleep. Where she finds the chitter to chatter all day, I will never understand. This little Miss usually gets to be known as a dizzy brain by her class mates, and an undependable, unreliable student by her teachers.

Locker-banging is a very bad habit. Besides not being good for the locker doors, the bang of the locker sometimes causes the stacked books to slide forward. When your locker partner (may she rest in peace) opens the door, she is unexpectedly greeted by ten pounds of Chemistry, Prose, Algebra, and Shorthand. This is hard on friendships.

Trixie Trayclanger is the next victim of my "one man regime for quiet." She is very meticulous and must have the shiniest, cleanest, tray in the stack. And just where do you think it is. That's right . . . at the very bottom of this gargantuan array of silver servers she spots the one she desires. After knocking over five or ten, she decides to be satisfied with the top one. Her pride will have to suffer.

Seriously, Girls, let's see if we can't win the "Noise" clan to our side. Don't work just so you won't be known as a Lockerbanger, or a Chitterchatter. Do it because it is the right thing to do.

Today's Enrollment . . . What of Tomorrow!

A much-discussed subject this school year is the tremendous increase in enrollment due to the record-breaking number of freshmen who have started their secondary education at Notre Dame. When asked to give their impression of this matter, here is what a few N. D. students had to say:

Junior Karen Oberbauer and Sophomore Jo Schilling think the "jump" in the enrollment this year emphasizes the growing need for a larger and better equipped school and gym. "How can we possibly accommodate next year's incoming class," says Karen, "which statistics show will be even larger."

Judy and Janet Weis, freshman twins of 108, expressed their amazement. "You can understand our wonder after attending a grade school where the entire enrollment was smaller than our Freshie class here at Notre Dame."

Most of the seniors probably agree with Faye Amann, Sr. 110, when she says that "Even though we've had to adjust some of our ways, I think we're being rewarded with the adoption of two little sisters."

Another freshie, Lucille Vernier, stated her problem. "Getting acquainted is perplexing with a large class like ours. It seems like an endless list of names to remember."

Congratulations

The 25th anniversary of their profession of vows to the Sisterhood was celebrated this summer by Sister Marie Ann (Marie Plotzkoester), Sister Mary Peter Fourier (Helen Spitzer), and Sister Marie Therese (Dolores Dressel). Also from the present faculty are: Sister M. Jean Marie, Sister M. Roman, Sister M. Hermione, and Sister Mary Patricius.

Watch for big surprise on Mission Day.



Campus Tunes

- Ka Ding Dong* — change of classes
- Don't Be Cruel* — to the Freshies
- Sixteen Tons* — Prose & Poetry
- Chain of Love* — Daily Rosary
- Standin' on the Corner* — watching all the buses go by
- That's All There Is To That* — Senior year
- Make Yourself Comfortable* — crowded lunch tables
- Crazy Man Crazy* — Babylon
- I Almost Lost My Mind* — Semester exams
- Song for a Summer Night* — no homework
- The Fool* — tries to get away with chewing gum
- A Teenage Prayer* — A's
- Memories are Made of This* — Water shooting out through a Bun-sen burner
- Teenage Meeting* — Assembly
- Adorable* — Little Sisters



Convention Focuses Interest On International Missionary Work

"Go ye into the whole world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Those girls that attended the CSMC Convention remember well the emphasis put in this phrase. The theme of the Catholic Students Mission Crusade was promotion of the lay apostolate. In the last few years this program has grown considerably. Young men and women throughout the United States are becoming aware of the fact that they can be a missionary here or abroad by giving a few years of their lives to God.

Lay mission auxiliary groups of Europe are found all over the world today. They are far advanced in this field while the U. S. has only a few organizations which are not yet too well known.

You have heard of Grailville in Loveland, Ohio. Here young women members are trained for work in mission fields. There are Grail workers in thirteen countries of the world, of all nationalities and from all walks of life. There are two groups of this organization, the Grail nucleus which consists of permanent members and the Grail members who sign up to work from three to six years.

International Catholic Auxiliaries is another organization similar to the Grail. It has a headquarters in Chicago, but this group is not as far advanced as the Grail Service.

More workers are needed in the Mission Fields. Is His finger pointing to you?

Forty-one Grads Choose College Careers

It may be hard for us to picture, but many of our once proud seniors of last year are right now being humbled as freshmen in colleges, universities, and nursing schools in many parts of the country.

Four of our graduates have decided to stay close to home, and Notre Dame, by choosing St. Louis University as the place to further their educations. They are Nancee Pratt, Barbara Coulson, Judy Barrett, Christine Steiner, and Georgia Schmidt. Barbara, Judy and Christine plan to spend four years with the University's School of Arts and Sciences, but Georgia who's enrolled in the Nursing School will go to St. Mary's next year to complete her training. Diane Braner attends pharmacy school.

Last year's editor of the Read-a-Wee, Marydel Harrison and Mary Lou Wainwright, are attending St. Mary of the Woods College in Indiana.

From far off Mount St. Scholastic College in Atchison Kansas comes word from Mickie Burns and Mary Ann Stengel who are living in a dormitory with four other girls, while Agnes Yoch shares a double room. They're looking forward to a year full of fun and excitement. When last heard from, the girls were planning on attending a party with the boys from St. Benedicts College, but they had to wear big badges and freshman beanies.

Four more of our grads are attending school nearby. Barbara Haubrich, Helen Clark, and Kay Donlan are students at Maryville while Marian Wuerz attends Montbonne, and Cathy Chaffin and Ruth Heinemann are registered at Webster College.

Our three student nurses from St. John's Hospital, Pat Cooney, Peggy Wilkinson, and Ann Yoch are crazy about their new life. Peggy and Pat are rooming together and Anne is just across the hall. The girls proudly reported that they survived "raid night" sponsored by the second year students, and have acquired the right to suffix S. N. (student nurse) to their names.

From Judy Bauer and her companions, Rose Raab and Rose Lintzenich at St. John's Nursing School, Springfield, came a cute letter and greetings to all N. D.'ers. Enrolled at Junior College are Bobbie Villemain, Norma Schwarz, Judy Berger, Janet Becherer, and Elain Tice.

Kampus Kapers

THINK YOU GOT TROUBLE
Liz Lavar, a senior at N.D. is the proud possessor of a brand new "56" Ford Convertible, but . . . NO LICENSE!

RED AND GREEN
— FRESHY COLORS

School has started with a boom of freshmen.

Our freshies have been referred to as green. But I've seen some rather red ones, too, when they discover they were in the wrong room a half an hour after class started.

SOPHOMORE SCHOLARS
Who were the bright sophomores that mistook 303 for the Biology lab? It's 302 girls, please try and remember. It makes for less confusion in the broom closet.

THE NAME'S THE SAME
During a class of the Summer Workshop, Sister Patrick said, "The cause of the large enrolment of Read-A-Wee Galley 6 Frank . . . freshies this year is Pearl Harbor."

Some wise Lammie in the back of the class blurted out, "Who's she."

FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS
Sister Gustava gave her clothing class the task of basting a towel with a single thread. After hearing the assignment, Ginney Burns, one of our "Brighter" Juniors, sat herself down and worked diligently at unwinding a piece of thread so, as Ginny explained, she could baste her towel with a "single" thread.

ABSENT MINDED
One freshman teacher as she rushed into the class room is reported to have said, "All those who are absent, please stand up."

New Statue of Our Lady Adds Spiritual Tone To ND

by JANIS LUEHDER

"Notre Dame! Our Lady, help us." To remind the students of this ejaculation which was so often referred to by Sister M. Paula, a lovely statue of the Blessed Virgin has been erected in the first floor corridor.

In former years, this same image of Mary stood in the convent building; but after having been artistically refinished, it now rests on a perma-stone pedestal donated by the graduating class of 1956 as their parting gift to the school.

This year, as in the past, the patroness of the school as well as of its activities will be Our Lady, but the stately figure gracing the first floor hall will serve to impress this fact more deeply. To some, when passing before the statue, she will say, "Do you have your quota for the Read-A-Wee drive?" Others will have to be urged to attend an important meeting which means staying after school.

Mary's greatest task will be to remind the majority to do their homework, even if in doing so, it will conflict with other plans which they have made.

When a student has done her best in class, made a visit to the chapel, or kept prayerful silence in rank, Mary can proudly beam and say, "That's my girl!"

Not only will this statue serve as a reminder of duties to be performed, but by its mere presence will be a comfort and guide through the students' remaining years at Notre Dame. The memory of it when they no longer pace these familiar halls will guide them down the path of life to their Mother, waiting at the gate of heaven with outstretched arms.



Mr. Arthur Semmelroth of Record Printing Company pulls a page proof for editors Lucia Lawrence, Janis Luehder, Doris Stolberg, editor; Rose Prindable, Roberta Arnold, and Janet Vernier.

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What's New At N. D. A.

by EVELYN BYRD

The largest enrollment in Notre Dame's history, brings many new additions and adjustments which have been noted by all the students. Yes, there is a shortage of lockers, homerooms, typewriters, and many other things, but N. D. has met the challenge.

While walking through the corridors on the first, second, and third floors, you will readily agree that the new lockers that have been installed on these floors accommodate the up-surge of students quite well.

Have you been in the typing room lately? Well if you have it would probably have come to your attention that new typewriters have been added for the convenience of the students. There are also four electric typewriters instead of the previous one. New desks have also been added to replace the older ones.

Freshmen on the first floor? Well it may be very unusual, but it is truly a necessity. There are now five Freshman homerooms instead of the previous four. Three are located in the convent building, while the other one is on the first floor in 108 of the school building and 306. These have been added to accommodate the record breaking enrollment of two hundred and six Freshies.

Yes, the halls of Notre Dame Academy are modified by additions, but all are welcomed necessities.

Sophomore Enters Ripa Juriorate

by MARILYN MARCHIANDO

Pat Bradley, former student of the Academy of Notre Dame, left September 2, for Ripa Aspiranture in Saint Louis, Mo.

Pat, a sophomore of last year, plans to finish her two years of high school there in the aspiranture and then to enter the candidature.

When asked how her daughter liked it, Pat's mother cheerfully replied, "Pat surely does like it over there. She writes home once a week and is just crazy about all her teachers."

Pat's friends and classmates wish her success!



Seated at the breakfast table are Virginia Stengel, Becky Burns, and Jo Ellen Kane. Grail Lay Missionary Clara Sun and Judy Finley smile from the Training Exhibition. Bunkmates of Morrissey Hall are Jean and Mary Lou Kuebel. On the steps of Morrissey Hall are, standing, Carol Jean Bodenburg and Virginia Stengel, seated, Rosie Prindable, Lyn Forestner, and Anamarie Marine. Waiting for the home-bound train are Mary Orschell, Mary Jo Bieser, Ann Lynn Hoeffken, and Bonnie Junker.

CSMC Convention Fires Crusaders' Zeal

by BONNIE JUNKER

An army of youth, flying the standards of truth! Thirty-five hundred teenagers brought this phrase to life under the banner of the CSMC as the 17th National Convention opened from August 23 - 26 on the campus of Notre Dame University, South Bend, Indiana.

After eleven hours of weary travel, sixteen N. D. girls and two chaperones, Sister M. Victory and Sister M. Gerald, caught glimpse of the spacious grounds and elegant buildings symbolic of Notre Dame U. Our home for the next three days was Morrissey Hall of which Jo Ellen Kane exclaims, "I can't remember when I had such fun. Our stay in Morrissey Hall seemed to be an endless slumber party."

A most impressive keynote speech on the first evening by Father H. Rigney, S.V.D. made everyone literally sit up and listen. His eyes, sad for those still behind the Iron Curtain, his face lined with worry, he told almost unbelievable yet unmistakably true stories of the criminal torture suffered by the religious as well as the Catholic laity in Communist hands.

The busy days which followed were a combination of meetings and social gatherings. Immediately after general meetings for all delegates, work sessions were held for various groups in which the activities undertaken in schools from all over the United States during the past two years were told by a representative of each school. Janet Ratz proudly put forth the progress of Notre Dame Academy.

Night prayer at 10:45 on campus each evening was followed by the observance of grand silence till the next morning after mass. "It was an excellent opportunity for us to perform a little sacrifice for the missions," Carol Jean Bodenburg commented. "Of course, not everyone did it perfectly, but . . ."

All too soon the flickering lights of candles and the voices of young adults in solemn procession marked the closing. It was time for each to go his own way, back to his own home town and school, but each went with a greater knowledge and appreciation of why he must be a strong Crusader and soldier of Christ.

As Doors Open 206 Freshmen Invade N.D.

Notre Dame was engulfed in a sea of green by the 206 freshmen who flooded the campus this September.

This blast from the bombing of Pearl Harbor of 1941 is still having its repercussions. But, this is only the beginning. By the end of 1959, according to all statistics, the walls will be bursting at their seams with the increased enrollment of war babies that will break all attendance records of schools throughout the nation.

The increased number of students necessitated the use of rooms 108 and C102 as additional freshman homerooms. Also new lockers were ordered to "take the wraps" for the freshmen.

Congested corridors, two-way traffic on stairways, and girls packed like little sardines at a cafeteria table are some of the results of this influx of freshies.

Following in their senior sister's footsteps at N.D. are freshies: Eleanor Kalert, Betty Foran, Patty Patterson, Kathleen Prindable, Mary Louise Blanquart, Lydia Arnold, Helen Gagen, Lucille Vernier, Carol Ann Berger, and Donna Lawrence.

Some of the Freshmen bear famous names. The name of Sweetney is known to all upper classmen because Nancy, Lois's older sister, has left her mark at Notre Dame by her unique posters scattered throughout the school. Judy Clark's sister, Helen, was known for her work on the year book and for her help to the teachers. Mary Wierciak is the little sister of last year's Assumption Football Queen. Cherie Ann Gass is the sister of a Notre Dame Nun.

With these well-known names and others destined to shine in this large class, the Seniors of 1960 will be a credit to Notre Dame.

Farewell . . .

The class of '57 bids farewell and good luck to four of its members who were unable to return this year. Shirley Hale, Joy Hindman, Nancy Janning, Christine Steiner: May God guide you on your way.

Mary's Minutes

The first meeting of the Sodality of the Immaculate Conception was opened on Thursday, September 13, by prefect Maryann Frehes. After having been introduced, Sister Richard Marie, the new moderator, asked all the Sodalists for their cooperation during the coming year, so that it would be successful. 38 enthusiastic freshmen reported for the first Sodality probation meeting.

The Mary's Helpers, under the direction of Sister Mary Luke, opened a new season of good works with thirty-five new members signing for St. Elizabeth Hospital, and twenty members for St. Mary's Hospital. Chairman for this year is Sophomore Mary Salomone, who has 119 hours to her credit.

Teachers' Aids, newly begun last year by Sister Mary Luke, has an enrollment of sixteen. This organization was formed to give service to the teachers after school doing such things as typing, sorting, and correcting papers.

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"Getting to know you" sums up this scene as senior Big Sisters and their Little Sisters enjoy the traditional party. On their way to refreshments are: Senior Judy Barcum and Little Sisters Connie Facetti and Josephine Giamanco.

Seniors Adopt Twin "Little Sisters"

by LUCIA LAWRENCE

"Hurry!" "Where is she?" "Oh, there you are!" Exclamations similar to these were eagerly shouted as the 103 seniors searched frantically for their "Little Sisters" on Friday, Sept. 14.

Due to the phenomenal increase in enrollment this year, the seniors had to adopt "twin" sisters. After everyone was claimed, the seniors and their "Twins" relaxed on the campus. The microphone and loud speakers were set up in order to enable all to hear the messages of welcome extended to the Freshies.

Evelyn Byrd, Mistress of Ceremonies, warmly greeted the assemblage and gave a few important pointers to the freshmen and introduced the senior leaders of the various organizations. Prefect of the Sodality, Mary Ann Freshes, invited everyone, old and new, to join the Sodality; after which Carol Bodenbergh explained the purpose of the C.S.M.C. The importance of the Student Council was stressed by Judy Rafalowski. Editors, Doris

Stolberg and Sandy Ballard, urged everyone to double their efforts during the Read-A-Wee and Memory Book Drive. The Library president, Pat Blanquart, received the advantages of a well-equipped library and invited all to explore its secrets. Mary Voellinger encouraged all to join the Speech Club. Celeste Bilhartz expressed her desire that everyone enrich her musical life by joining the Glee Club. "The band has improved every year and will continue to do so, with your help," said Janet Vernier. Mary's Helpers president, Mary Jane Nadler, asserted that "Your membership involves many others besides you."

After the brief summaries of the various organizations, the freshmen were treated to a bottle of soda and were given sisterly advice by their "Big Sisters."

The side campus became a scene of friendly chats as senior "Big Sisters" and freshman "Little Sisters" enjoyed soft breezes and cool drinks.

Mid-America Presents Spectacle On Waterfront

by EVELYN BYRD

The waterfront of St. Louis presents an appropriate setting for the month-long pageant known to St. Louisans as the Mid-America Jubilee.

Temporary constructions containing everything imaginable, have been erected at various sites. Exhibitions on televisions, currency, radar, livestock, clothing, machinery, and automobiles are among the various attractions. Outstanding among these were Ford's recreation of a street scene in Paris and the exhibition on "Atoms for Peace."

An unusual presentation titled "Heartland U. S. A." gives a touch of light opera to this show of shows. This musical depicts the story of the city of St. Louis from the time of its beginning to the present day. The old Cathedral served as a backdrop for the stage setting.

Another section of the Jubilee is dedicated to the entertainment of the young at heart. This array of amusement rides adds even more variety to the jubilee.

Schools in the surrounding areas will visit the jubilee at various times during the month. As a part of the educational feature, Notre Dame was represented by Sister Jocile and some of the Science students, Barbara Coulson, Nancy Pratt, Janet Becherer, Diane Braner, Christie Steiner, Ruth Heinemann, who demonstrated the Atom at work.

Having received widespread acclaim, the Mid-America Jubilee will be recorded in the hearts of all who have seen it as the most wonderful example of patriotism in recent years.

Notre Dame's Band On Its Way Again

Under the supervision of Sister Jean Marie and Mr. G. Tuerck, N. D.'s Band is once again on its way to a prosperous year.

Last year's 38 members have now increased to 46. Their first appearance will be in the presence of the faculty and student body on Mission Day, Oct. 9. N. D.'s 'blue and gold' will display their marching ability in the Holy Name, Santa Claus, Clean-Up, and Picnic Parades. The first concert of the season is to be in January and with the combined efforts of the Cathedral, Perpetual Help, and N. D. bands. The outdoor concert will be held in the Spring.

The result of the voting for band officers is as follows: Janet Vernier, president; Carolyn Zimmermann, treasurer; Mary Jo Biser, secretary; and Helen Scheibel, librarian.

Notre Dame Anticipates Mission Day

Once again N. D. mission crusaders will join forces to celebrate Mission Day on Oct. 9.

The annual parade will begin the festivities followed by installation of new C.S.M.C. officers.

The highlight of the ceremony will be the crowning of the 1956-57 Mission Queen.

After the morning ceremonies the

campus will be crowded with girls and guests showing their mission spirit as they try their luck at the many different booths and games.

Here's a sneak preview of a few scheduled activities: sandwiched between a special dinner there will be games on the tennis court, country store booth, a hit movie, white elephant booth, plush animal stand, Christmas gift and record booth.

Playground Director Didn't Play on Job

Summer vacation had different meaning for various Notre Dame girls. For some it meant traveling, for others it was a time for working at home; others just spent the summer loafing and enjoying life.

There were some ambitious girls who got summer jobs which proved to be as fascinating as the rest; such was the case of playground directing. Rosie Prindable as well as Rita Craig and Barbara Eisenhower found it to be very interesting and personally helpful.

The playground is organized to keep children occupied and out of trouble during the summer months. Different activities such as swim meets in which the playgrounds compete with each other, and a three day camping trip to Springfield combined to make it a most delightful summer.

Popularity at 25c

by MARY ESTHER NURDIN

Attention girls, have you ordered your telephone directory yet? Well, let's not loiter, for in approximately three weeks they can be in your hands for as little as a quarter.

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Alumnae Hi-Lites

By Pat Zeszutek

The School Sisters of Notre Dame recently received the following postulants into their novitiate: Joyce Berkel (51), now Sister John de Deo, Charlotte Delaney (54), now Sister Mary Patricia, and Lee Ann Farrell (55), now Sister Alonza Marie.

Sister Gemma Marie (Jo Ann Dittle 55) and Sister Miriam Michel (Viola Needham 53), finished their novitiate year and pronounced first vows.

Sister Grace Marie (Marie Mueller) renewed her vows for three years.

Final profession of their vows was made by four alumnae Sisters. They are: Sister John Mary (Mary Warwick), Sister Mary Karen Joseph (Elizabeth Lakin), Sister Emmanuel Marie (Helen Preisle), and Sister Sister Therese Mary (Lois Rebstock).

Many Notre Dame graduates strolled down the aisle to the melody of "Here Comes the Bride" during the summer months. United in Holy Matrimony were the following:

May to August

Ruth A. Baumann to Ronald Zimmerman.

Joan Schaefer to Leroy W. Scheller.

Joan Teter to Anthony Libro.

Helen Rutz to James Slocum.

Marie Karfs to Daniel Spitz.

Mary Ann Falcetti to Lester Appel, Jr.

Bernette Wilderman to Leroy J. Weck.

Agnes Fenner to Stanley Schobert.

Ann E. Grill to Richard McCurdy.

Patricia Ann Smith to James A. Braun.

Carla Bednara to Robert Hyland.

Virginia Ramirez to William R. Howard.

Joan Toni Smith to Donald Carpenter, Jr.

Patricia Ann Dunham to Robert Steppig.

Rosemary Heckenberger to Bernard Lodes.

Mary Helen Molitor to Carl C. Watson.

Marianne Hannan to George W. Morgan.

Marilyn Wilson to Ernest T. Mueller.

Joan Wiesen to Harold Reime.

Joyce Fallan to Richard Castagna.

Mary C. Cullen to James A. Mason, Jr.

Kathleen Smith to James C. Grimm.

Dorothy Forrest to William Misencik.

Janette Rose Simich to John D. Zinkan.

Rita Helfrich to John F. Rickert.

Marilyn Weiss to Frank Burrelman, Jr.

Marjorie Holdener to William Dick, Jr.

Rosemary Bassker to Robert Ivey.

Peggy Glossop to John J. McKinney.

Patricia Courtney to John M. Klopfer.

Joan Hannan to William A. Brown.

Marjorie Ann Long to Lee A. Schanuel.

Mary J. Maserang to Thomas Boucher.



Pictured above are Mr. & Mrs. Robert Hyland (Carla Bednara '54). They were married at Holy Angels Church.

LEFT: The former Shirley Ann Karwoski '54 is now Mrs. Robert Davidson. Mr. & Mrs. Davidson were wed at the Old Cathedral.

Besides the Notre Dame graduates that were married during the summer, there are quite a few girls who are proudly displaying an extra sparkle on their left hand.

The Alumnae recently donated \$25 to the Xavier Society for the Blind, \$100 to S.S.N.D. schools in Kyoto, Japan, and two \$90 scholarships to N.D.A.

With the Alumnae

Annual Tea Initiates New Year

by PAT ZESZUTEK

The 1956-1957 agenda of Notre Dame Academy's Alumnae Association was introduced at a business meeting followed by the Annual Alumnae Tea. The event was held at the Academy on Sunday afternoon, September 9, at 2:00 p.m.

Miss Mary Ann Bedel, Alumnae president, presided at the business meeting. Miss Louanne Marxer was chairman of the tea.

Besides many other alumnae members, there were a number of 1956 graduates present.

The program of the meeting was as follows:

- 1) Secretary's report
- 2) Communications
- 3) Old business
 - a. Convention report for Alumnae paper
 - b. The Requested helpers
- 4) New business
 - a. The Alumnae formally joined the S.S.N.D. federation.

Included in the new business was the announcement of coming activities and dates. Family Day is the

next social activity on the list. It will be held on October 28 of this year.

Also, an election of a nominating committee was made. The following were chosen: Phyllis Prindable, Janet Jaeger, Carol Meder, Carolyn Wagner, and Helen Schlegel. They will prepare a slate that is to be presented around Christmas. The floor will then be open for further nominations. After the new officers are elected, they will be formally installed at the Annual Alumnae dinner. The officers are elected for a two-year term.

Tentative plans are being made for a dance and a card party which are to be held during the coming months.

Tops with Teens

Fashion Board Previews Fall Favorites

by BARBARA EVANS

Barbara Schlueter, a junior, is this year's representative to the High School Fashion Board of Stix, Baer, and Fuller.

In a recent fashion show, Barbara modeled a coat made of a new imitation fur called Cloud No. 9. Because of their increased popularity, these coats can be bought in a variety of colors and styles.

Variety is the keyword this fall—for coats range from the very briefest of jackets to the elegant or sporty full length coat.

Charcoal black is playing an important part in the color scheme

this season. Equally important is brown, beige, taupe and the very new loden green.

Naturally, that party dress is always a must. Neither the sheath nor the full skirt has waned in its popularity.

Senior Jo Rukavina, who took a course in modeling this summer puts emphasis on wearing the suitable clothes. The feminine type can wear buttons and bows, and all the trappings. While the athletic type had better stick to tailored styles, the dramatic type capitalizes on her personality by wearing bright colors.

So, to be a leader in the fashion parade this fall, choose the most becoming color and style and watch the compliments roll in.

Ring Ceremony Colors Senior Year

"All Hail, All Hail, The days we spent at Notre Dame." Yes, these words of our School Song will take on special meaning to the 103 Seniors, who will proudly receive their class rings on October 7. The rings will be presented ceremoniously in the chapel after being blessed by Rt. Rev. Msgr. L. A. Bauer.

This year's seniors are following a tradition which was started by the class of '56, under the sponsorship of the Alumnae.

The rings, which remind anticipating seniors that their great night of graduation is approaching, will be presented by the Alumnae board members.

The rings will serve as an official introduction to the Alumnae.

Miss Doris Wesolik will be in charge of the affair. She will be assisted by other Alumnae members, who will distribute the beautifully displayed rings.

Fathers and Friends' Elect New Officers

Getting this year off to its traditionally great start, the Fathers' Club held its first meeting Wednesday, September 12.

The business meeting was highlighted by refreshments and television, and the election of officers. Mr. Frank Stengel was elected president, Mr. R. Stratman as Vice President, Mr. Thomas Heck secretary, and Mr. Frank Miller treasurer. A special welcome was also given to the fathers of freshmen.

From the 50-50 Club a check for \$180 was presented to Sister Mary Reginald for school improvements.

The participation of the fathers in the Club again shows that they are willing to put forth their best efforts to help both their daughters, and their daughter's school.

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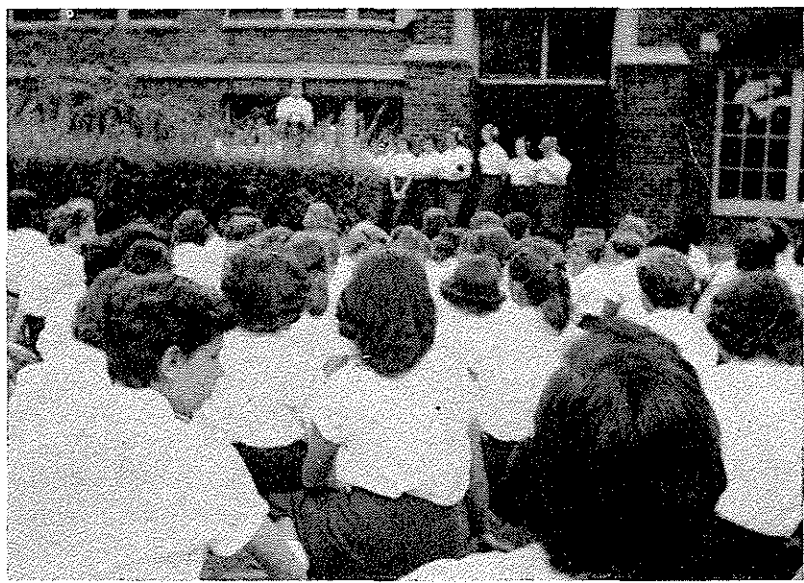
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The "Seniors Speak" as leaders of the individual school organizations are introduced to an audience of freshmen present at the party on Friday afternoon, September 14.

Future Champ Makes Mark In Golf Tourney

Who has won distinction and recognition as one of the best amateur golfers in this area? It's our own Barbara Beuchman.

Barb became interested in golf three years ago. Recently she played in the "Women's Amateur Division" of the All American Tam O' Shanter Golf Tournament in Chicago and placed fifteenth.

She broke a record at Sunset Country Club, Sappington, Mo. shooting 74, which was one under par.

Besides golf, Barbara has other interests. She wants to go to college, major in accounting and later (if her golf improves) turn pro.

"The tournament was the greatest experience of my life. I didn't expect to qualify. I like tournament golf because you live golf twenty-four hours a day; it's a great life!

Well here's wishing lots of luck to a great golfer, Barbara Beuchman.

Physical Exertions

For Freshies

Are you in shape for physical exertions?

1. Touch your toes 10 times
2. Raise your self on hands and toes 5 times
3. Do 4 roll overs

Are you still with me?

4. Do 5 cartwheels
- If you do all this and always remember to bring your gym suit and shoes, you've a cinch to pass the course.

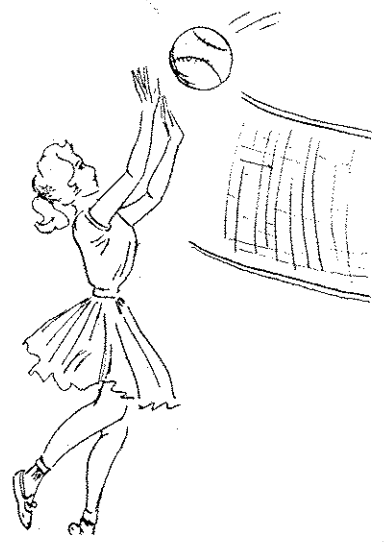
To All Sophs.

Now you're old hands at this this routine so we'll skip the preliminaries. We'll start you with volley ball.

1. Take the ball in your left hand
2. Smack the ball with the hand that isn't holding the ball.

3. If it hits the ceiling, you've hit it wrong and that this column can't control.

To All Juniors



Dancing is your field; we'll begin with the rumba.

1. Find a partner; start the music
2. Mark off a square with chalk on the floor.

3. To the rhythm of the music move the torso to the words, "Relax, relax, relax"

To All Seniors

This year you'll have two chances to knock pears off your little sister's heads. If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

1. Take your bow in your left hand.

2. Fit the arrow with the point away from you. (This is important)

3. Take aim
4. Close your eyes
5. Let fly

I hope this does not discourage Sister Devota and Miss Soucy in their efforts to teach Physical Ed. the "right way."

Students Proclaim Missing Links Puppy 'Dog Daze'

by JANE BARKER

Dog? Someone asks with shrill surprise as she views the scene. Why that animal is large enough to pass for a midget elephant!

No, not really, "Irish" is merely Father Sullivan's prized St. Bernard puppy who, one day, nonchalantly walked into the school building, surprising everyone who came within viewing distance.

Don't let his size frighten you for he is really very gently, although it may be hard to believe by just looking at him. Though it is true that the editorial staff jumped two feet when "Irish" gingerly stepped across the threshold of 109 leading Father Sullivan, he stood docily while everyone petted him. His patient look, so characteristic of his breed, would go hand in hand with a weeping willow.

Lest "Irish" be offended, it should be mentioned that he is a most beautiful and attractive thoroughbred canine. His thick furry coat could repel the temperatures of the Swiss mountains and his powerful stature renders him a useful dog.

Never let it be said that Notre Dame went to the dogs, because the dogs are coming here.

Missing Links

by BETTE JO SEMITH

Have you contracted the "September Malady?" This disease is very contagious and is usually carried by a freshman. Notre Dame Nuns are looking in vain for some cure or remedy, but alas, all is in vain. Only time and patience seem to combat this terrible disease.

It has no general characteristic, but is often detected by a dreamy stare into space, a sigh for summer's gay pastimes, or a worried frown of preoccupation.

Ah! but these are only outward signs. The real disease affects the mind and renders the victim incapable of remembering. Such is the state of many girls this September, and as a result, there is a flood of lost articles in every classroom. Here is a brief list of some lost articles:

Any size, color, shape, or type of notebook and pen; a plentiful supply of English Handbooks and New Testaments; one diet, one pair of glasses, one comb, one gym belt, one pair of shoes, one sweater, one scarf, one letter, five book covers, one purse, a half arrow from the gym class. Please reclaim your missing possessions.

Also among the missing are Sisters who were very dear to all at N.D.

Missing from the campus are about eight dozen green pears. These pears are believed to be the cause of this epidemic of "September Malady."

Cathedral and Assumption Get Off to Fighting Start

With an optimistic beginning, the Cathedral gridiron 11 beat St. Mary's Dragons 6 to 0 on September 15.

In the first quarter Cathedral scored its 6 points on an intercepted pass and a 40 yard run by Dan Abegg. During the rest of the game, St. Mary's tried in vain to break through Cathedral's defense. The lineup for the Cathedral Crusaders was: Bill Mayer, Jerry Hutchen, Dan Abegg, Dave Arfdenspring, Mike Monken, Tom Nold, Jerry Oberndorfer, Bob Bauer, Roger Mueller, Jim Buss, and John Menard.

The pep club, led by N.D. cheerleaders, Janis Luehder, Lavonne Grant, Janet Vernier, Carol Jean Bodenburg, Charlotte Berger, and the mascot, six-year old Linda English added color to the exciting game with their all-new cheers. These five girls attended a special school for cheerleaders held this

summer at Illinois State Normal University.

The Assumption Pioneers piloted by Butch Fiegel, began their football season with an exciting 20-20 tie against Valle High of St. Genevieve, Mo.

The Pioneers led Valle 20-18 going into the fourth quarter, but in the final minutes of the game they lost ground on a holding penalty. With the Pioneers pushed back to their own 5 yard line, because of the penalty, Terry Keeney attempted to punt. The pass from center was high and sailed over Terry's head and he was dropped in the end zone safely tying the game.

Coach Martz aided by returning lettermen, P. Humphrey, B. Mijka, T. Mijka, B. Fiegel, Fred Pearson, T. Keeney, T. Delaney, J. Cygan, and V. Lintzenich, faces a tough schedule, but he has hopes of the Pioneer's coming through on top.

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