Indiana NSA Adds 3 Offices, Proposes Budget, Plans Clinic

Indiana delegates to the National Students' Association met at Marian College Sunday, Jan. 1, 1:00-5:30 p.m. The budget was prepared to be ratified at a later date. The budget is set at $250. On a basis proportional to the national dues, Marian will pay $10. The three offices, public relations and commission chairmen in charge of national and international affairs, were created on the executive committee.

Workshops, Core Of Tri-State Meet

A regional conference of Red Cross directors at Bloomfield, Ohio, Jan. 15, 16, and 17. Delegates from fifteen colleges in Ohio, Indiana, and Kentucky were in attendance. Dorothy Berher, unit chairman, and Elvira Zevv, recreational corps chairman, represented Marian College.

Chairman Addresses Assembly

The conference opened with a speaker for the representatives at the Sharemos Hotel, Thursday evening. Livingston Blair, vice-chairman of school activities in the Eastern Area, addressed the assembly on the importance of learning community life in college, "We must cease pseudo sophistication, indenturc comprehension from our colleges," he stated, before students will reveal future students their education. Mrs. Blair stressed the necessity of students' accepting everything that college offers, not just the good times.

Workshop Plans Aided

Friday workshops dealt with coordination of Red Cross with other activities on campus and college with high school for a program of community and. After an extended tour of William College, University of Dubuque, the conference adjourned.

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Mrs. Karl Schmidt, New Instructor In Physical Ed.

Due to the resignation of Mrs. Henry Lohse, Mrs. Karl Schmidt has been named head of the physical education department for the second semester.

A graduate of Technical High School, Indianapolis, and former student of Mrs. Lohse, she received her degree from the American Gymnastic Union, Indiana University. While there she was elected to Delta Psi and Alpha Chi Omega, and received her education from Dr. Mary J. Sue Reynolds, her textbook on physical education.

Camp Brown in Wisconsin was the scene of her initial experience as a teacher.

Science Club Holds Assembly on Scotus

The first school assembly of the new year, called by the Science Club, presented the Vereker John Duns Scotus, famous Franciscan philosopher, theologian, and scientist, after whom the new science building will be named.

Katie Tash, club president, introduced the speakers. Lorraine Sine presented the highlights of Scotus' life. Benjamin presented the work of a scientist, and giving an insight into the personality traits of the "Stable Doctor."

The final speaker, Rosemary Dun, told of the association between Duns Scotus and another renowned Franciscan theologian, Roger Bacon. She also mentioned Scotus' contributions to the philosophy of science.

A Cappella Choir Sings for Weddings

The A Cappella Choir provided the liturgical singing for the Oleyer-Mary Jane Porter, Jan. 10 at the Church of the Holy Name. The Very Rev. Rev. Ronald Mohlen, O.F.M., Provincial Franciscan, officiated. He is a former professor of Marian College and a companion of the bride.

The Mass was sung Miss Mary Moll, Monitor in honor of St. Cecilia, a threepart composition by J. J. McGurah. Ave Maria by Joseph Murphy and Pater Angelicus by Cesar Franc, were sung at the oratorio and communion. Edward Kretzer, organist at St. St. Eugene of Arc Church, played the accompaniment and wedding marches.

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Father Weir Chooses 'Life of Modern Girl' As Theme of Retreat

The Rev. Eligius Weir, O.F.M., new theologian and educator will be retreat master for Marian students the first three days of Lent, Feb. 19, 20 and 21. Father Weir's theme will be "The Modern Catholic Girl's Life."

"We must erase pseudo sophistication, indenturc comprehension from our colleges," he stated, before students will reveal future students their education. Mrs. Blair stressed the necessity of students' accepting everything that college offers, not just the good times.

Father promises several surprises in his four daily conferences, but, as he said, "It wouldn't be fair to give advance information on that—I have to hold your attention, you know!"

In addition to practical suggestions for meeting the problems of life in the modern world, from one versed in counseling and educating, the retreat will offer many other spiritual opportunities.

Alumnae, Seniors Plan Homecoming With Annual Tea, Dance Jan. 30-31

Alumnae members will be welcomed to a homecoming week-end Jan. 30 and 31. An informal dance, Friday evening in Madonna Hall, 9:30-12:00, will be the initial event. Decorations, in red and white, will reflect a St. Valentine's Day and homecoming mood.

Saturday afternoon, 2:30-5:00, alumnae will be guests at a re-union tea. In Marian Hall reception room they will be entertained by the Campus Choir.

Members of the senior social committee, Jean Cader, Jane Costello, and Lilian Lundquist Kranz, and senior class president Mary Steff compiled the committee in charge of planning the homecoming activities. Mary Chovelet, president of the Alumnae Association, is working in conjunction with the committee.

At a business meeting held on campus, Dec. 21, preceding the annual dance at the Mayott Hotel, alumnae members decided to launch their first project to help finance the new building. Their special objective is the purchase of the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the niche.

A dance in April will be the initial activity. Josephine Vernetta Stallman will be general chairman, Mary Louise Alter, Patricia Hagn, Joan Kervan, and Sylvia Leluck will be committee heads.

Seminars, Readings Fill Senior Degrees

Seniors, preparatory to comprehensives in the major field, will be konuşous on senior seminars during the next three months. In progress since November, they will continue into April.

English and romance language seminars are built around reading lists issued last spring. English readings cover period classics from Beowulf to Madame Bovary, those in American literature, from Franklin to Masefield. Romance language seminars continue into April.

Four-day curriculum will be offered in May at Moorhead, St. Charles University, and Xavier universities, and Anderson, Indiana State Teachers, Indiana Technical, Marian, St. Mary's (Holy Cross) and St. Mary's-of-the-Woods colleges were represented.

Field Seminars For Writers

A seminar for writers was held at Indiana University last fall, presented by the English department. The seminar was designed for students of high school and college levels.

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Campus Briefs

Traditional blue and gold school rings available only to seniors and alumni have been ordered and will be delivered Feb. 1. The rectangular sophomore class ring, set with twelve pearls, was ordered early in the fall and delivered to sophomore class members on Dec. 16.

The Red Cross Unit has been asked to sponsor a Valentine's Day party at the Veterans' Hospital, Feb. 14.

"Suspended Desires," a comedy in one act will be presented Feb. 20, by the dramatics club.

The seniors will hold a class dinner at the Claypool Dining Room, Tuesday, Jan. 25. After- wards they will attend Irving Berlin's "Sweethearts" at the English Theater.


Churches and Synagogues in America: A Comprehensive Study of the Religious Situation in the United States, by Dr. Thomas M. Hartmann, will be the subject of a seminar presented by the Religion Department of the University of Chicago. The seminar will be held on the campus of the University of Chicago on March 15.

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Can You Afford to Gamble?

It is a reckless risk to gamble—there is always the danger of loss. The gambler who losses consents with himself the thought that he may be a winner the next time—at least he may retrieve his loss. But when it comes to the last chance the situation is ominous—if he fails then, the failure is final. It is a chance of the most perilous run risks, take chances, and gamble with the affairs of life—the interests of immortal souls.

Few of us would be willing to admit that we are such bettors in the game of life—that we lay down our chips unaware how high the stakes are. Yet to realize this we need only to count how many opportunities we have let slip by through succumbing to passions irredeemable time, laboriously doing nothing. It is a pretty poor record in life to need only to count how many opportunities.

What then is the reason for the stir caused by the New Deal? It has been aptly applied to another bi-party system—three Catholic publications—Commonweal, Catholic World, and America—are indexed in Readers' Guide.

60 Catholic periodicals are regularly reviewed by the Marian College Library? Catherine Burton writes the woman's page of The Sign.

56 Catholic newspapers, magazines, and other periodicals are published in the U.S. and territories.

The medical missionary today leaves land and fields for the field to tend the colored harvest?

That you have just read the titles of six Catholic magazines.

Wallace wants a new plan substituted for the Truman-Marshall plan, but he offers no suggestions.

Wallace vows his aid to labor and agriculture. But while Secretary of Agriculture he naturally united various committees seeking aid for starving dust-bowl farmers, suffering laborers.

Wallace wants peace and prosperity. But who doesn't?

Wallace has the backing of the PCA, the political party, of course. Their vote for Wallace would be a voice of protest. In order to satisfy these sympathy to Joan Fitzgerald in the death of her husband, Robert.

Sympathy

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End-of-Semester Misereiro

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Graduate Ventures a Career Abroad

Jeanne Gallaher

When the "Marine Masher" pulled out of New York harbor on Aug. 22, 1947, Mary Toffolo, a Marian graduate of 1946, was aboard. Bound for Stuttgart, Germany, as a clerical assistant in the office of the American consul, Mary was taking the first step in a long-dreamed-of venture. Graduated as a Spanish major, and equipped with a thorough background of French and a speaking knowledge of Italian, she first took a position as Spanish commercial interpreter. Evening classes in Portuguese were added for good measure.

Then foreign civil service, with South America as chief ally, hired her. The only opening, however, was in Germany. So it was Germany for Mary, and a quick six weeks' training, especially in the German language, at Washington, D.C.

The day of departure arrived, carrying her to a future of two years of travel, work, and study abroad.

Established in Consulate

Now, in the offices of the American consulate, high up in a quasi-medical castle, she is doing "virtually confiden­tial" work concerning events "going on in Germany." On her first appearance there wearing the "new look," she created quite a stir.

Week-end and several longer trips have taken her to travel routes in France, Italy, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, and many parts of Germany, including Berchtesgaden. In Parisian hotels she learned, even before reaching Stuttgart, that "you can't leave anything on your place over here because they consider it disgraceful with so much starving going on. Everyone is hungry all of the time." Typical local menus, however, and the manner of serving foods Mary always finds interesting.

"Switzerland," she states, "is clean as a pin, nothing is raised here as it is in Germany, and all the horses and apartments have boxes with flowers in them on all the windows."

Tours Italy

Of the Seals, famous Milan opera house, where she thrilled to La Glo­cendu, she says "it is really some­thing to take your breath away." Rebuilt since the war, its interior decoration is white and gold with plum-colored plush covering the seats and the walls of the boxes. A seat in the second row cost her 1900 lire. Gallery seats were 60 lire (2 cents). Speaking of lire, Mary needed five different kinds of currency and the official papers for a week's trip. In Germany cigarettes are a common medium of exchange. At one shop stirring silver spoons could be bought.

Marianettes...

Out for a job with a writing angle, Jeanne Gallaher intends to make use of experience gained in Phoenix editor. Advertising or script writing are her preferred methods of breaking into free-lancing—after the style of Woolworth and Shulman? At least they are her favorites. Interested in all types of resorts, Jeanne ranks Delancy first. Yet she need not be "sboune about James Merton."

Swimming is "her shining sport." After watching her during a workout in Marian's pool, we know what she means. Red haired and Irish (could she help it with Gallaher?), Jeanne's oft repeated boast is, "I was born on New Year's Day."

If she's listening to the haunting strains of Danse Macabre and reading a serial short story by O. Henry, or writing a Latin poem, you can be sure the girl is Patricia Parker. Two of her greatest thrills at Marian College, according to Pat, were her election to the Student Board and to the Phoenix and Fioretti staffs.

Active in sports, especially swimming and horse-back riding, stimulating style, she occasionally enjoys a "quiet" basketball game in Noblesville.

Pat is just the girl you're looking for if you're in search of a never­diminishing supply of lemon drops or other tasty morsels. She plans to teach her favorite and major subject—English.

Nutmutter Suite Interpreted in Art

"The Nutmutter Suite," Tchaikovsky's story-in-music of the little girl, Clare, who dreamed of the nut­cracker and toys received on her birthday, has been portrayed in water­color by Geraldine Schloeman, art student.

Two sketches comprise the set, now on exhibition in the Art Gallery. These scenes of the story, the prepa­ration for the party, acceptance of the nutcracker, and Clare in night­dress playing with her doll, are among the scenes portrayed.

With the exception of "The Hand­some Prince," the sketches interpret the dances of the toy Cavalier, Rus­sin, and Arabians, the Reed Flutes, and the Flowers. The Reed Flutes are chalkey blond children in dark green costumes; the Flowers are little ballerinas in flowing white dresses. Against a blue-black background, the Sugar Plum Fairy, entirely in crim­son, dances in Clare's house.

A bullet artist herself, Gerry's dance creations are models of poise.
Public Relations, Teaching the Dead, Braille - New Alumnae Interest

Alumnae news bits recently accumulated tell of new interests, new positions, new activities.

Graduate study at Butler, as a side-line, has enlisted Betty Armstrong Gaines, '46, Eve Brown, Sister Von, '44, work there this summer has been a stepping stone to specialized teaching. Eula is now in the staff of Indiana State School for the Deaf.

Rosemary Mackinnon, '42, after intensive study of library science at Indiana University during the summer has qualified for a librarian-teacher appointment at Elmwood, Ind.

At St. Mary's Academy, Indianapolis, Margie Melton, '42, is holding a regular high-school teaching position.

Promotion, a career with a journalistic angle, has opened for Beaute Hynes, '46, in Indianapolis and for Marjorie Gale McFarth in Springfield, Ill. Beatrice is assisting Mr. Stephen Nolan, editor of the Indianapolis News, in recognizing, co-ordinating, and extending the public relations department. Planning a children's book fair is one of the current projects. Marjory is associated with the Te Deum Forum.

In New York City, as Braille proof-reader for the Xavier Society for Catholic Youth, Annie, who has only one light sight, proved herself without error on a four-volume work, of which the Most Rev. John F. Noll, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Fort Wayne, is the author.

This work, 60 Braille pages, entitled Father Adam's Instructs Jack, is now available for use by the blind at 23 regional Library of Congress branches, Indiana State Library included.

Sports Cast

It's happened again! Jane Ghapus has won the ping-pong tournament for the fourth straight year. Finals were played Jan. 16. Marjorie Dwyer, who has for a 21-18, 21-14, 21-17 score triumphed over semi-finalist Lorraine Sick the preceding day.

In the doubles, champs Jane Ghapus and Joan Courtney, placed Lorraine Sick and Elaine Thomas in the position of runners-up.

Swimming is the first on the schedule of the new semester, under the direction of Mrs. Schmidt.

Wednesday afternoon marks the return of Mr. Charles Simmer, teaching advanced life saving, the follow-up of the ARC course offered last year.

Field trips recently took the bacteriological class away from campus.

At the Indianapolis Water Company they witnessed the procedures of purifying water for the entire city and learned the bacteriological methods of determining a safe water supply. The textbook methods had been studied in the classroom and carried out on a small scale in the school laboratory. But the actual observance of the mechanism in operation was a great thrill to all.

Indianapolis Stages

Annual Home Show

The second annual Indianapolis Home Show will be held Apr. 16-25 in the Manufacturers' Building at the state fairground.

This, the third post-war Home Show, is expected to attract visitors from every county in the state. Carl C. Weidell, president of the Central Supply Company, has been elected president of this year's home show.

"The Indianapolis Home Show is tomorrow's newspaper, next month's advertising magazine, the year's showroom of the building industry," Mr. Weidell asserts.

Because of the educational value of this exhibit, centered around the 1948 Model Home, colleges, high schools, home economics clubs, and Boy-and-Girl-Scout troops are invited to send delegates.

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