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REV. WILLIAM J. GAUCHE TELLS AIDS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION IN EDUCATION

MARY HUGHES WINS ST. THOMAS MORE PRIZE

Miss Mary Hughes of the upper junior class was the winner of the fourth annual St. Thomas More contest award in recognition of her essay "Catholic Action and the 1940 Graduates." The contest, sponsored by a faculty member, was open to students who submitted essays on a theme of Catholic Action. A graduate of Mother of Mercy Academy, Westwood, Miss Hughes has been active in various scholastic functions and extracurricular activities. She is engaged and directed the Press exhibit at the February Session Meeting of the Catholic School Press Association, has been connected with mission and work, and was business manager of the Edgecliff Players production, "Simitron." She is the daughter of Mrs. Ethel Hughes of Hamilton Hill.

COMMENCEMENT

MARGARET MIDDENDORF TELLS OF SENIOR CLASS

Margaret Middendorf New Chief; Staff Chosen

Miss Margaret Middendorf has been named the Edgecliff editor for the scholastic year of 1940-41. She will be assisted by Elizabeth Rottenburger, associate editor. Miss Middendorf, a graduate of La Sallette Academy, Covington, Ky., was formerly editor of the "La Etuite Terhe" and has been an associate editor of the Edgecliff for the past year. She has been a student journalist at O. L. C. for two years. Other departmental editors whose names have been announced include: Ruth Wetterer, exchange editor; Maureen Morley, art editor, and Constance Crogan, feature editor. Rose Pleffner has been named business manager, assayed by Jane Wagner. Rosemary Cox and Mary Lee Ast will be advertising managers, and Helen Friedland, circulation. Reporters who will be given general assignments are Mary Francis Walter, Rosemary Frey, Margaret Mollen, Alice Topmiller, Elizabeth Rotteriberg and Janet Kemme. Further appointment will be announced at a later date.

NEW COURSES PLANNED FOR 1940-41 SEASON

English And French Subjects Enlarged

Several new courses in the field of English will be available to students who the fall semester enters in September, according to the Cataological. English Creative Writing, a course designed to give practice in the writing of stories, articles, plays, and verse, will be offered. The course will be offered in the regression of novel covering its development from the beginning to the modern day, and a course in theory of education, which will be given three hours per week.

Catholic contribution to English letters will be studied in a course entitled Catholic Literary Revival. Modern drama study will include an intensive reading of modern dramatics from Ibsen to the present.

CATHOLIC U. AWARD WON BY SARAH SMITH

A scholarship to the Catholic University of America was awarded to Sarah P. Smith, a member of this year's graduating class. The appointment is for one year, during which time Miss Smith is expected to continue her studies in history in order to prepare for a teaching career.

Miss Smith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith of 2215 Victory Parkway.

"I will do my best to merit the confidence shown in me through the award," Miss Smith commented on being notified of her good fortune.

By VIRGINIA BECK

Grads Feted This Week By Students

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This afternoon at 5:00 o'clock, Our Lady of Cincinnati College celebrated its 50th scholastic year with commencement exercises at which the Rev. Rev. Msgr. Edward J. Quinn, S. T. L., gave the principal address. The graduates were presented by the Rev. Alfred G. Stritch, faculty member, and Msgr. E. F. Hall, the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O. P., S. T. M. Archbishop of Cincinnati, conferred the degrees. The Catholic School Press Association key and the St. Thomas More Award, given for the best essay written on Catholic Action, were also presented.

Fifth annual commencement week was climaxed today by the conferring of degrees upon 28 graduates, including five sisters. Ceremonies began Sunday morning at 10:00 o'clock with a baccalaureate service in the college chapel. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles E. Baden, college chaplain, was celebrant at the solemn High Mass. The Rev. William J. Gauche delivered the sermon. At 1:00 o'clock, the graduates faced the seniors at a banquet in the Rose Garden of the Hotel Alms.

Class Day exercises were held Monday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The formation of a daisy chain, a class history and prophecy, and the presentation of original parodies which is also seen in private life. Here a greed for wealth has led to dishonesty and injustice and the pagan attitude toward man has resulted in divorces and commonplace marriage.
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BON VOYAGE

THE twenty-eight students who received A's their first year are ready to take their places in the world. They have spent enough time in a Catholic college with just the right touch of quirkiness to give them all the spunk and a balanced outlook on life.

This level-headed view should stand them in good stead in future years. They will need it to confront the influences of a society that is growing ever more pessimistic, ever farther away from God.

The Catholic college of 1940 cannot be expected to embark upon a wholesale program of reform. Such a minority could not accomplish much by such a move because, while they are well-grounded in the right kind of life, the world in general is moving along totally ignoring God.

Any change that takes place will come from individual reformers. This is where the Catholic college of 1940 enters the picture. If she cannot reform the world as a whole, she can find her own little world, that small fraction of the universe in which she moves, a better place in which to live.

WHAT IS A TRAITOR?

CURRENTLY the wrath of the Allies is descending upon the head of King Leopold III of the Belgians. The French, especially, are bitter in their condemnation of the youthful monarch for his capitulation to the Nazis.

As students of contemporary affairs, let us look at the situation calmly and rationally. This war is not the first one to which the world has been subjected from the Allied ranks is no small matter. It is wrought with the gravest consequences for those who need every last yard of ammunition to put down a decent fight against the unbelievable might of the Germans. Due to the desperate nature of the situation, France's attitude of bitterness can be excused to some degree.

We beg to disagree, however, with Premier Reynaud when he calls the Belgian King a "traitor." To Reynaud, established in his contemptable philosophy, the word traitor means someone who has sold his country to the enemy.

However, our sympathies are with the Belgians. They are small and weak, if they can stand up beside their larger neighbors, they have done well enough. We are not asking that every nation in the world stand up to the United States, and we are not asking that every country stand up to the British. But we are asking that the spirit and acceptance of Leopold's position. The big point to consider Leopold's position.

This spirit can be seen in the world of shoe fashion. They offer man, woman and the Rev. Thomas F. Cole.

Surely while there remains enough to distribute to aid suffering humanity civi-...
PRESENTING THE GRADUATES OF 1940

VIRGINIA D. BECK, B. A.
MONICA DRUCKER, B. A.
KATHLEEN GERACI, B. A.
FRANCES HANNON, B. A.
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ALICE TENHUNDFELD, B.A.
ROSEMARIAN VALENTINE, B.A.
FLORENCE WINGER, B. A.
A FULL-TIME JOB FOR CATHOLIC GRADS PROPOSED BY ESSAY WINNER

BY MARY HUGHES

Salutations and congratulations, graduates! You’ve earned the happy return to school today. That sheepskin that you hold in your hand may not be quite a magic wand, but it can mean a lot. Perhaps the outlook for youth today seems definitely gloomy and inevitable to you right now. You’re thinking that the boys and girls aren’t tough enough to handle unemployment and depression, nor are there war and disaster ahead. Perhaps you have dreamed already of your work, your own home, your travel, a full life? And now perhaps you are afraid for your dream. Perhaps they have been blasted entirely or have they just turned to a nightmare of blitzkriegs, days of horror and nights of terror?

If they have, snap out of it! Remember, you are a Catholic, American, and Christian. That means you have everything in times like these. You can answer and — you can work for a better world. How? Here’s one way. Accept the job we are going to outline for you! The work you are offering to be will be permanent — so permanent that it will take death to break your contract. To some, our terms may be exacting and the pay — that is always hard to explain to modern youth. The pay you will get in this life can’t be measured in dollars, or even cents. But if you consider peace of heart and happiness to return today, for an investment, we think you might like to hear what we have to say.

The boys and girls we are representing are an old and established one before our time, and therefore need no large amount of data to come in, graduates.

There is a combination advertising and salesmanship position. Your job will be to explain the philosophy behind the turf of care and education that the Catholic Church and the Eucharist, and therefore our Church, embody. It means that you will begin with the clergy and religious in strengthening and spreading your Faith. You will begin to live as a Catholic — not just exist as one. Your life then becomes an advertisement of your Faith. Religion isn’t a product that is put on a television, it is "sold" in the home, in the office, on the street corner, in the marketplace. The philosophy of religion is a product that is a universal necessity, you cannot live more than twenty-four hours without it. If you take this job, you must be ever on the alert. Religion is a living being and never, not giving up your faith, to prove it to a worried man. That’s what he would get if he didn’t watch "Blitzkrieg" On Evil In Print

Three students of Marquette University have followed Hitler’s example and have accomplished "Blitzkrieg" againstsalacious literature, according to recent reports. Richard S. Fitzpatrick, William E. Ryan, and Ray A. Niemitz, all sophomores and hold editorial positions on the Sodality, have been supporting an anti-Nazi petition entitled "The Degenerate Pot," urging a campaign for the destruction ofproprietorship; publishers to keep their places "for news and not for profiteering.

The pamphlet describes the theme of the drive thus: "Wake the world up to the fact that this is polluting your magazine stands. Wake them up and make them active in a purge that will stave off the flotsam. Wake up to a realization that there is need for elimination of the licentious literature to which your children are exposed."

FUTURE COLLEGIANS ATTEND A.T.O.L.C.

More than 200 high school and academy seniors from 15 schools of the diocese will assemble September 12 for an inspection day exercises at O. L. C. May 22. Students toured the physical education program which was well attended, and were served tea in McGuily Hall.

Miss Lois E. Ziliox, '39, who has just been inaugurated this session as editor of the Marquette Sodality, has issued a pamphlet entitled "The Degenerate Pot," urging a campaign for the destruction ofproprietorship; publishers to keep their places "for news and not for profiteering."

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Dear Classmates, Professors and College Friends:

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