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TOURNEY TO TEST THESPANIANS

Each Class To Participate In 1-Act Play Tournament

A one-act play tournament will be held on the Edgecliff campus. Judges will be selected from the professional people of Cincinnati who are connected with or interested in the theater, as well as professional people.

There is no charge for this program and it is open to the public.

Baby Day Set For April 26

The first Baby Day of Our Lady of Cincinnati college will be held on Sunday, April 26 at 3 p.m. in the chapel, where the students with the customs of the children will be performed. Miss Helen Lehnbeck will direct the group and outlined the program and is full of color. The prog-

Looking Ahead

April 7—Hymie Park Mus-
ical Tea

April 8—Assembly, Rose Laird, "Personality and Beau-
ty Hints"

April 10—Prom

April 14—Mothers' Club Lu-
cheon and Card Party

April 21—Mercy Hospital
Choral Concert at 8:00 o'clock

April 22—Assembly, P a n-

April 30—One Act Play

Competition

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Teaching Democracy

B Y offering courses of study in the history of American democracy, several colleges and universities have become a frank admission of the need to instill democratic principles in the students of the East. It is intended to impart to their students a deeper appreciation of democracy in the classical model and achieve a greater realization of the form of government. Among prominent universities offering such courses are Princeton University and the University of Western Reserve.

The action taken by these universities is a direct answer to the insistent cry of many leaders that "America should wake up and realize that totalitarianism is a fighting issue."

Placing the young people of America in the world of Hitler and totalitarianism is a negative motive and is therefore uninspiring. To rid the world of Hitler and totalitarianism is a positive motive, stimulating desire, in the young people of America, to perpetuate our form of government and to carry out the task of maintaining it. It is a motive that will strengthen us in our war industries are producing planes and tanks. In other colleges and universities the new program is enforced by the school authorities. In both cases, the students are being exhorted to be alert in their thinking, to be aware of the events of the day, and to be prepared to act if necessary.

Propositions of the "accelerated" program point to the emergency facing our country and demand that American institutions of higher learning shoulder their part toward winning the war by turning out graduates as quickly and as sufficiently as our war industries are turning out ships, bombs and bombers, tanks and guns.

One of the leaders of the movement for "accelerated" education learnedly quotes Francis Bacon's epigram, "against the dangers of rapid study and the discredit that is found before they can be thoroughly assimilated into the student's mind," but the "accelerated" mastication of facts and ideas, they say, will only lead to mental indigestion and the real production of rapidity of course, training and equipping of the mind with the instruments of further learning, will be frustrated.

Much can be said on both sides, of course. Much is being said on both sides by "accelerated" clif students.

For the benefit of would-be "accelerators" here at Edgecliff, we beg to point out that although our college has not as yet inaugurated an "accelerated" program, the desire "acceleration" can obtain the equivalent of it by the simple expedient of "concentration".

The war and education is a war of intensification. According to the plans followed by many schools, means the contraction of four years' work into three years. It means, then, should mean, the producing of better graduates. This is the ideal of the accelerated program. The "accelerated" program can accomplish the same result by allowing the student to take at one time all the courses that he might otherwise have to take at different times. The "accelerated" program will allow the student to concentrate his attention on his work and his mind.

Under the system we suggest, the "accelerated" program will be left to the good will and sincerity of the individual student. This plan will not produce graduates more quickly, of course, but it will produce better graduates. So if you can't accelerate, concentrate.

If American educators followed the German pattern of developing unthinking automatons instead of democratic, clear-thinking individuals.

Liberal education is rightly expected to make some sacrifices until peace is regained, but it must be kept in mind that the shortening of liberal courses can only be a temporary sacrifice.

Is This Defense?

SIX persons who had been engaged in Communist activities were recently appointed to key defense positions. Among them were Joseph Schlesinger, chairman of the advisory executive committee of the Youth Division, Office of Emergency Management; and Malcolm Cowley, chief analyst of the Division of Facts and Figures under the Office of Production Management. All were active in Red efforts as late as 1939.

The appointments are being defended on the grounds that the appointees have changed their leftist opinions. Perhaps they have, but it is not to the good wish to even formally Communists with responsible positions?

CAMPUS CASUALS

MARY K. KUEBLER

From Proms
Margie Ruff will wear a brown and white dress with fitted line and ample skirt. The dress are unknown. They probably will remain unknown. Liking herself being surrounded by the burnished chocolate Margie wears any bit of white. Sues Dalben will wear the dress in white with silver lame trim... Irene McDermott will have that Spring Tonic look in the scene.

Mary Margaret Winter turns heads in corse fallie with full skirt and ruffled shoulder bands... Mary Ellen Nutini will go courageous in stark white with bold red, yellow, and brown. The dress are unknown. But what is known is that in the Latin Senior... Florence Starnsman will be dressed in blue marquise with calculated win some moments. Don't forget the ruffle... Jean Lowry just missed this edition. Cincinnati shirts missed Jean's. It will be a big disappointment but dayton looked better for prom shopping... Gerry Hanson our hard to get interviewee double until the end... "I'll bet that the Yuletide Ball frock..."... This time she swears she will wear the aforementioned creation. For description read our copy of the Christmas issue... "Mary Huter will feature pink net in what she calls, a "Ruth "... the sentimental mode... Kath Smith will dress sportily periwinkle blue with rhinestones... Jane Reidelshorn will wear pink and black, lovely on the petite and pretty Freshman... Jeanne McGowan will wear the dress in white with a low neckline... probable, but we've come to expect it of a cover of Mademoiselle... Mary T. Creed will look the image of the "Typical American Girl" in blue jacket and print skirt..."... "Jerry Hanson's bow ties look sharp on her, but on anybody else a two legged version of a Christmas eat... Adele Wadsworth's Vassar cap looks right with pink... the population thinks has been left at Vassar and the other half heartily approves of her decisions..."... There was in honest chat at the dance the tag, "153, the happy Kentucky-cured"... Those lucky girls are rated "paragon" to the Hospitality Luncheon beg a return engagement. Rumor has it that their request will be answered... for 15 cents... "Irv Berenson was lost, strayed, and was returned"... "Our trip wandering around McAuley Hall last year was work."

Dr. John D. Macleod will be put to Philadelphia on the last of the holidays... Janet Hogan brings such handsome pictures to school. Let's see more of him... Gehryy, absent for too long, pays us a visit at the Xavier too. Please come again.

The unpublished, unposted, unsigned and oh so interesting. They are available to the interested and approved members in the staff room... Twenty girls were faced with a tremendous temptation the other day to attend class or remain at the Women's Social Center, and the temptation was the "preme sacrifice..."... There was in honest chat at the dance the tag, "153, the happy Kentucky-cured"... Those lucky girls are rated "paragon" to the Hospitality Luncheon beg a return engagement. Rumor has it that their request will be answered... for 15 cents... "Irv Berenson was lost, strayed, and was returned"... "Our trip wandering around McAuley Hall last year was work."

Prayer For Peace

Oh Mary, Mother, hand to our great God, To you we bring our tales of woes and grief, To you we turn in our times of need.

And place within your hands our future hopes.

We ask, Lord, prayer, and pray, your pity show — Not we have need to suffer much.

But rather ask degrees of sensibility.

Look down on this chaotic and confused world, and give us the power to be... grant peace in mankind's need.

— Adoniram Schlozer
Channing Pollock's axiom that "it's smart to be dirty" was challenged by the Rev. Edward Carrigan, S. J., in an address before the student body of Our Lady of Cincinnati college on Friday, March 20.

Father Carrigan charged that the theater of the past two decades has fallen into the evil way of licentiousness; our post-war young people are being brainwashed into dirt fashionable. The responsibility rests upon each one of us to try to bring this matter back to its original place as a factor for good in the community.

The priest emphasized, however, that the restoration of the theater can never be accomplished through marrying and unrestrained censorship. As an example of the harm suffered by over-censorship, he mentioned the record-breaking run of 700-weeks and attributed the success of the play to the fact that the production had been given a vast amount of free advertising by the widely publicized protestations of well meaning groups of Catholics.

Father Carrigan admitted that some plays must be frankly condemned in order to remove the unthinking players of the danger of patronizing such plays. Dead conclusions sometimes result from seeing a number of such plays over a period of years, he said. Catholic can do much more toward promoting the production of good plays by patronizing them whenever possible as indicated above. But he cautioned against "the easy-going attitude that excuses a play because it teaches a good lesson. Such an attitude, he insisted, would only encourage morally good writers to produce dramatically bad plays, a condition that will never restore the theater to its rightful position as an influence for good.

Critic Incompetent

"Two main reasons for the decay of the drama are the lack of a non-commercial attitude and the quizzitiveness of commercial producers and the low grade of current critics," decried Father Carrigan. He said that since truly fine drama is produced only by genuine lovers of the theater, and performers who are motivated only by the desire for financial success are constantly lowering the standard of the American theater.

He ascribed the poor condition of the drama to the fact that critics are controlled by persons who have no love of the theater event or a marketable business. Another reason for the incompetence of the critics, he pointed out, is the fact that most of them are prejudiced against anything that smacks of "old-fashioned." Unless a play can be considered smart and sophisticated it is usually reviewers favorably by many critics, the father said.

Father Carrigan feels, however, that "the theater may soon be restored to its original place as a factor for good."

In speaking of his earliest encounters with theatrical life, Father Carrigan confessed that he never had any particular desire to see a play. The few times he had done so he was particularly heartened by a statement of Maxwell Anderson's that the "moral atmosphere of a play must be healthy."

But the priest expressed his fear that "it will be a long, long time before the stage can ever approach the stage that it enjoyed when it was close to God's altar."

In an informal discussion at a dinner given in his honor by senior and junior students, Father Carrigan said that in his opinion the outstanding contemporary American actresses were Katharine Hepburn and Helen Hayes. He said that Miss Cornell's best effort was "in St. Joan" and that Miss Hayes' best production was "Mary of Scottland." He called Miss Fontaine "the most notable English actress.

He considered Maurice Evans the outstanding actor of the day and said that his most remarkable performance was that of his starring role in "Hamlet." This show, however, never made it to Broadway.

When questioned about Leslie Howard's production of "Hamlet," the priest said that he believed the reviewers who criticized him so severely were unduly fair and were definitely prejudiced merely because Howard is from Hollywood.

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MODERN ST. PAUL HAS 600 CONVERSIONS

More than 600 converts enough to form a medium-sized parish in the Church in the last ten years through the unpretentious doors of the Catholic Information Bureau in downtown Cincinnati.

The Bureau, located at 227 Walnut street, which formerly housed a Protestant organization, cannot ascribe its success to an inviting appearance. Begun with the start of the "great traffic," the dull gray bricks of the old building furnished a prospective convert to the road to religious truth is not an easy one. There is that clamoring for attention. The center is in charge of the priest who has been a priest for 11 years. Father Kotter is especially interested in working among those people who are "ex converts," that is, Catholics who have been married to Catholics or Catholics to Catholics, or who have been divorced, and the majority of these people are ex-Catholics who have been married to Catholics, or Catholics to Catholics, or who have been divorced, and one of whom was never a Catholic. The center is located at 227 Walnut street.

One of the priests, Father Kotter, who is especially interested in working among these people, told the Epistle that "the first year of his conversion is the most critical. The period devoted to investigating the Church is probably of German origin and the fire is a symbol of Our Lord who is the light of the world. Five grains of incense are blessed as a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord. The blessing of the fire is a reminder of the five wounds of Our Lord.

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Vividly in the reader's mind. The story is one that the starry light in Berics Enneking's blue ones could mean only one thing—and that not far off. Reelit, the first daisy to bloom above the ground on March 21, told that the blood of summer "Beau" and "Bill" will be Mr. and Mrs. Bill. Congratulations and best wishes!

Ruth and Louise Meyer—Our only alumnae twins, and one of the most devoted pairs we have anywhere, were separated on two occasions recently by the illness of Louise. A serious infection of the finger and then a strain in bed with fever "fit" made Louise "the Meyer suffering" for quite some time. But you can't keep an army down and "Miss Louise," as her school friends call her, is back on the job, adding her store of apples to those Miss Ruth" collects. March 24.

The girl with the "sooth-sayer" voice who answers all telephonic questions at the Graham Distributing Co. is none other than our own Miss Margy Kuhlman. The only person Margy doesn't answer back is her boss—she just tells him.

Moon Over Newport

Ruth Howe—One of the few women in this man-depleted eldorado who can snap her fingers at local draft boards is Ruth Howe. Four years ago, when she was 18, she was, indeed, a "Miss America," back in the days when social graces counted as much as vocal pleading. Yet, as was always her wont, she was, indeed, a "Miss America," and her voice, it was said, "rang out through the whole town."

Jane Albert—Did you know that Jane (Louis's) Alber's little feminine addition has been named Judith Claire? ... Mary Macke and Helen Landfried have exchanged schools and are busy comparing notes on poor, James Thurber. A young lady should be taught to read Clifton Fadiman's assemblage of favored reading contains many works of equal interest. Mr. Fadiman's work is almost incredible. Alice Tenhunfeld, busy doing visiting work, says she can now handle 15 patients at once. Mr. Fadiman confessed that every reviewer, having been a book-reviewer for more than 15 years, Mr. Fadiman asserts that American situation.

Sister John Mary—Our newest nun is Sister John Mary, a young lady who was just engaged. Sister John Marie was engaged while she was a student at Fort Benning, Georgia, where she was stationed. Mr. Fadiman has a similar story. His publisher gave him a whiskers or a "love nest," but Sister John Mary hasn't received a "love nest" yet. The story is made upon the reader, Lardner wiscly offers no solution, but lets his audience correct the situation.

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What's Become Of...

By Virginia Beeck

Ruth Huske—Together with a lot of other Americans, Ruth Huske chance of going "days at the U.S. feet. In Ruth's case, however, the camera arises not only from patriotism but also from a far deeper emotion and feeling. She says the vision of her man on Guam Ocean Point light, bathed spring nights would be more than she could stand if it weren't for the thought of the positive there aren't any blondes on that island. "Thank Heaven for that," sigh Ruth, smoothing her own blonde locks, "but I'll still feel rough if he were in a submarine."

Jeanne Heeman—Not to be outdone by the tulips, jonquils, and other spring flowers currently rising up after a long winter sleep, Jeanne Heeman, one of last year's grade, who has been bedridden for some time, pleads on stretching her legs and doing some steppin' one of these days. Everyone predicts that the albumen is happy to know that her good pal, Joe, who returned to her, is returning to her normal self, and every one is proud of her, too. For Ruth, clari, and friends throughout a hard time. (Miss have learned it from "Air-Corp" Funks.)

Still On Honeyymoon

The scent of orange blossoms still fills the air in the Huske household. The girl of the house, Louise, is busy comparing notes on poor, James Thurber. A short story with a simple plot, "The Love Nest" ridicules grand and showy living on the pole foundation of money. The man and Mrs. Gregg are the Hollywood producer and his wife who are overly-devoted to each other. It is the common dilemma of an influential man who marries a poor girl "to take her away from all that." When Mr. Barrett assigned the Gregg family interview, he makes many interesting discoveries about the model couple and their huge "love nest." After the point of the story is made upon the reader, Lardner wisely offers no solution, but lets his audience correct the situation.

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