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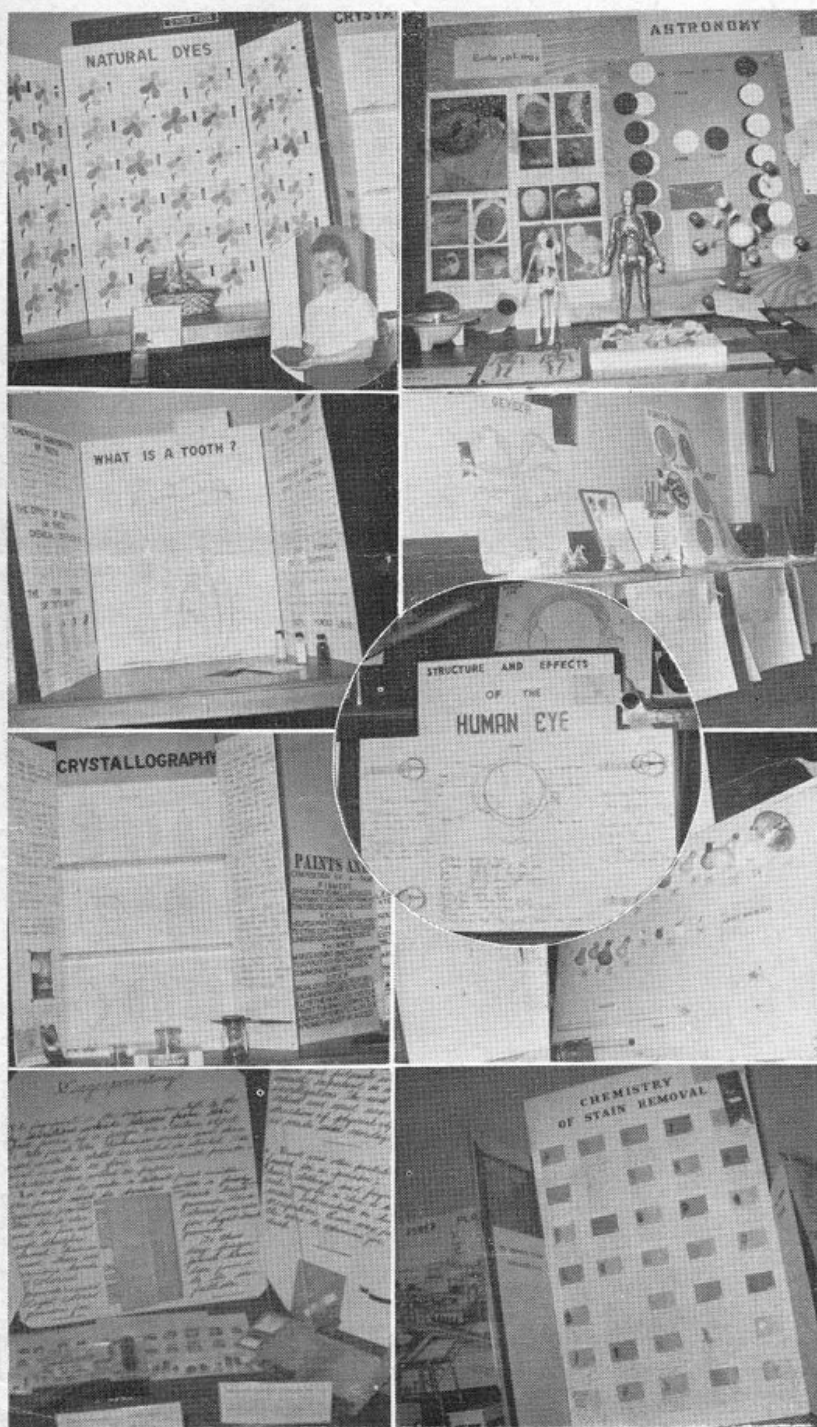
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Science Class Exhibits Projects

WINNERS RIBBONED AT FAIR



St. Casimir School contributed its share to the world of science by holding its first science fair on April 3 in the school auditorium. Some 70 students from grades seven through twelve exhibited their work.

The projects were judged by Sr. Mary Andreea and Sr. Mary Madonna, chemistry and biology teachers at St. Florian High School in Hamtramck. All exhibitors were given certificates of participation. Those of special merit were awarded ribbons, blue for excellent work, red for outstanding, and white for work meriting an honorable mention.

Five of the best projects — four in chemistry and one in general science — were sent to the Light Guard Armory for the city wide competition in the Detroit Metropolitan Science Fair held from April 7-10. The following entries were submitted: The Chemistry of Stain Removal by Anne Steve, senior; Crystallography by Diane Mazur, senior; Natural Dyes by Arlene Godek, senior; What Is a Tooth by Wallace Szumny, junior; A Homemade Microscopy Laboratory by William Gilbert, freshman.

The climax of the fair was the announcement of the names of the winners. Arlene Godek's project on Natural Dyes took 15th place in the chemistry division. Her exhibit consisted of an attractive arrangement of 48 flowers of various hues. The 5 petals of the flowers were cut from pieces of material that had been dyed. Arlene extracted these dyes from vegetables, fruits and flowers and applied them to the cloth after first subjecting it to a mordant bath which helped the dyes "bite" better.

On April 7, Arlene and her parents attended an awards banquet at the Rackham Building during which the winners received plaques in recognition of their fine work. On the following day the group of potential scientists was given a guided tour through some of the city's outstanding industrial firms.



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Sodality Briefs:

- 1) May 15 — The Sodalists participated in the Marian Day Procession at the University of Detroit.
- 2) May 18 — The Blessed Mother was crowned by Valeria Juska, sodality prefect, with the senior sodalists as her court.
- 3) May 18 — Immediately following the May Crowning the sodalists sponsored their annual dance — **The Marian Serenade.**
- 4) May 25 — New members, juniors and sophomores, were accepted into the sodality.
- 5) May 29 — The sodalists took part in the Marian procession on the Felician Sisters' Motherhouse grounds in Livonia, Michigan.

A CURE FOR SPRING FEVER

Anyway, it didn't matter what the girl looked like, for I wasn't interested in her, I was interested in the free food my cousin was going to buy.

After the movies we took the two girls to the soda shoppe. The moment I was waiting for seemed to be approaching as we sat down to order our choice of the delicacies on the menu. It was then that I received the shock of my life. That long anticipated moment when I would eat free food because of my cousin's rare generosity was only a comical farce. My cousin had enough money to buy only three sodas. In short, I was left out. I managed to crawl back home starved.

Even the crackling of the coal inside the old stove in my grandmother's kitchen seemed to laugh at me as I bored into a mountain of sweet buttermilk pancakes. But I didn't care; I was finally eating. Dates? Bah!!! (by Bob Rogus '61)

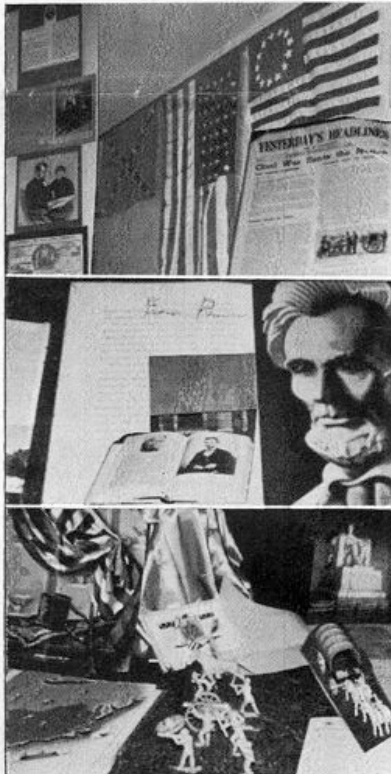
A Note From Music Department

The Archdiocesan Catholic high schools presented at Rosary High School, May 7, 1960, the Third Annual Choral Festival sponsored by the Nat'l Catholic Music Educators Association (Detroit Unit).

St. Casimir mixed choral group rendered professionally "America, the Beautiful" by Ward and "The Holy City" by Adams. Sister Mary Theresa directed; Miss Janet Herbert from Madonna College served as accompanist.

Dr. Harry W. Seitz, archdiocesan coordinator of music, commended the school for good tone quality and excellence in enunciation.

The entire program, rich in various choice selections, was dedicated to His Excellency, the Most Reverend John J. Dearden, Archbishop of Detroit.



MOMENTS with LINCOLN — an elaborate display prepared by the Social Studies Class, Grade 8, under the guidance of Mr. Ray Wozniak, Teacher, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Lincoln's election as President.

THIS N' THAT

May 16th was set as a "Day with God." Rev. Victor Kolasa and Rev. Paul Sierocki directed the retreat.

May 11th marked a loving memory centered around the coveted treasure — the **senior class ring.**

At the senior-junior breakfast the graduating class pledged love, honor, and loyalty to their Alma Mater.

Pleasant aroma is replacing H₂S odors in the laboratory. Chemistry classes are making their own perfumes and flavorings. Watch the T-V commercials. Something may be in the offering!

Michigan Week (May 15-21) our high school was exploring different areas of interest: On May 20th, known as "Heritage Day," Seniors visited Cranbrook Institute; Juniors, Greenfield Village; Sophomores and Freshmen, Historical Museum and the Library.

Eight Faculty members have been awarded CCD Certificates: Sisters Amelberga (Principal), Benita, Sigmunda, Theresa, Angelita, and Philip.

Lay teachers: Miss Ursula Knepfle and Mr. Ray Wozniak.

These certificates authorize the bearers to teach confraternity of Christian Doctrine anywhere in the U. S.

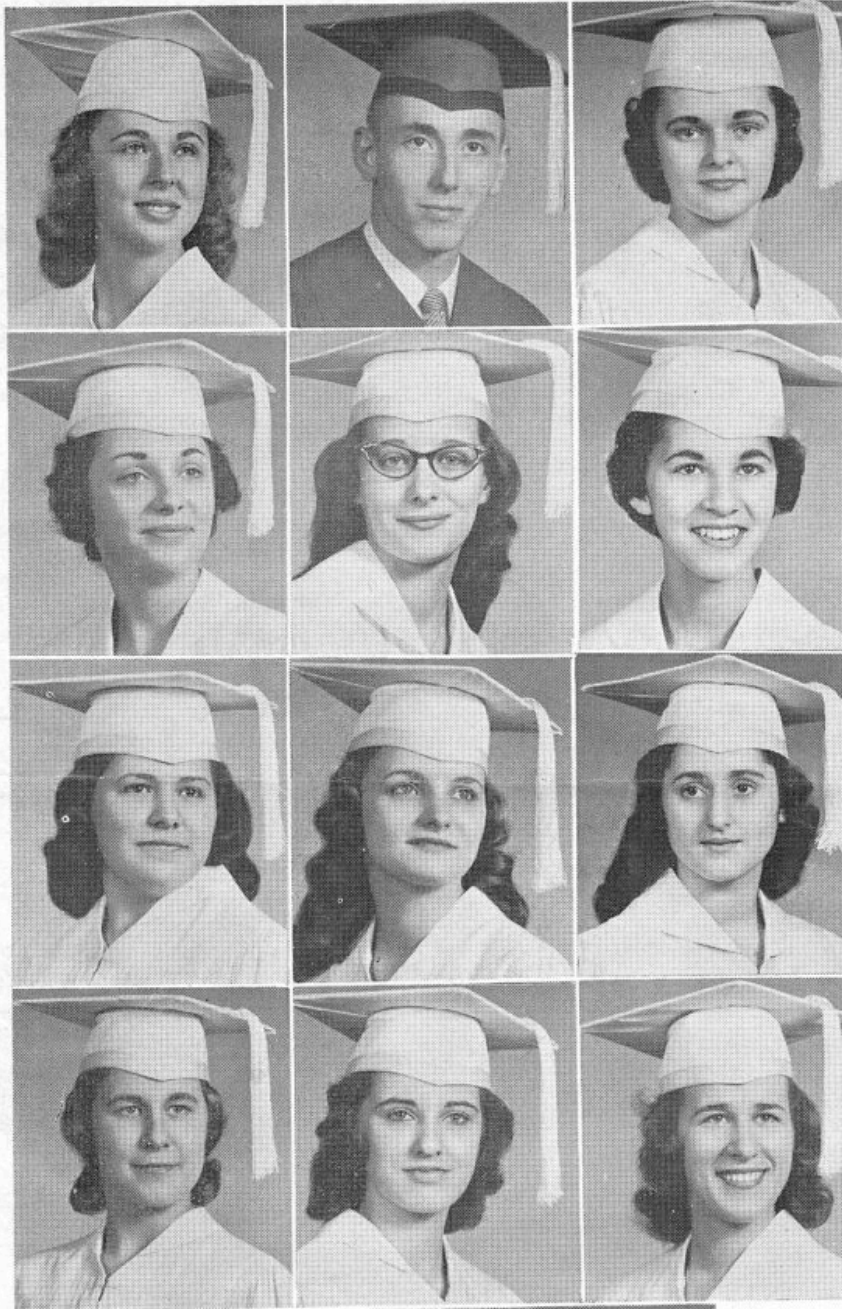
Presentation was made by Bishop Henry Donnelly at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral on May 24th.

Roller skating party, sponsored by Class '61 provided an evening on fun on May 25th.

Inspector Fred Beer of the Fire Prevention Division visited the school on Tuesday, April 10, and briefed the high school students on the necessity and procedure of fire drills. Three informative and helpful films, "How to Call a Fire Department"; "What to do Until the Fire Department Arrives"; and "Before They Happen" were shown to the interested audience.

Sincere sympathy to Sister M. Amelberga, Principal, on the recent death of her brother.

SENIOR



Diane Mazur
— Wisest

Gerald Wilke
— Wittiest

Beverly Makulski
— Handiest

Pat Chylinski
— Portliest

Pauline Click
— Politest

Emily Conant
— Neatest

Josephine Garcia
— Plunkiest

Arlene Godek
— Prietiest

Betty Gorski
— Happiest

Louise Gruchala
— Sprightliest

Shirley Gould
— Mildest

Valeria Juska
— Shyest

Maureen Kowalewski
— Sunniest

Rosemary Kowalski
— Sweetest

Varied Activities Close Busy Year

TEEN U. N. in ACTION — April 22, 23, 24 a model U.N. was held at the University of Detroit. Sessions were patterned after the U. N. in New York. St. Casimir represented the delegation from Mexico.

Specially designated committees handled different assignments: — Steve Anne headed the Cultural and Humanitarian Committee. Pamela Sharp — Ad Hoc Committee; Arlene Godek — Political Committee; Angelina Ryba — Social and Economic Committee; Diane Mazur — Legal Committee.

Six definite areas were treated: (1) Representation of China, (2) Charter Amendment, (3) The Question of Algeria, (4) The Question of Disarmament, (5) Special Fund for Economic Development, (6) Race Relations in South Africa.

To add color and spirit, some delegates appeared in native dress. Those representing Cuba wore beards, carried rifles, pistols and hand grenades. At one point they simulated armed opposition and refused to remove their weapons. Their rebellion was swiftly suppressed.

Governor Williams personally addressed the delegates on April 24. He discussed the threat of nuclear war and urged all to pray for lasting peace. This experience gave the participants some insight into the intricate problems facing the U.N. and its mode of operation.

Educational Trips Supplement Studies

In answer to a memorandum sent to our school by the National Commission on Safety Education, the Student Council sent out safety flyers to St. Andrew, All Saints, St. Gabriel, and St. Vincent requesting membership in The National Student Traffic Safety Program.

S. C. in the only school in Detroit that is presently enrolled in the Commission. To improve traffic safety, everybody over 16 took driver training. An itemized report was also submitted on the number of student drivers who come in cars to school, and on number of children who are driven by parents. The purpose of this research is to stimulate improved thinking and nation-wide action for safer techniques in driving.

On April 22, 1960 seniors, Michael Rumps, Gerald Wilke, Judith Steward and Louise Gruchala attended an evening meeting of the American Chemical Society at the Rackham Building.

Saturday, March 12, Judy Stewart and Angeline Ryba attended the Institute of Human Relations at Girl's Catholic Central High School. The purpose of this meeting was to promote a better understanding among races. The opening speech "Youth Takes The Lead" stated the theme of the meeting. Panel interviews followed discussing human relations in the family, school, parish, neighborhood,

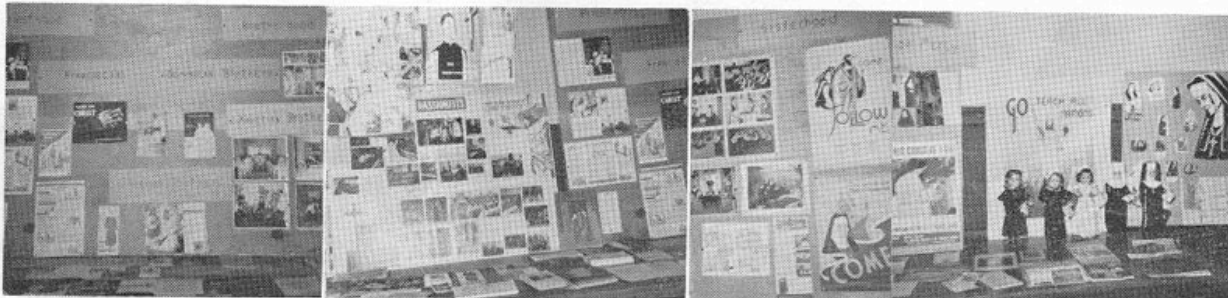
and community. Conference discussion leaders represented the following Colleges: Madonna, Marygrove and Mercy College. Group discussions on the abilities and future of modern day youth proved to be informative and inspirational.

The Detroit Round Table of Catholics, Jews and Protestants concluded this year's activities as it did other years with a tour to different churches, on Saturday, April 30. Blessed Sacrament Cathedral was the first stop, then a Jewish synagogue, and a protestant church. The purpose of this tour was to acquaint one another with the practices and customs of different religions. Louise Gruchala and Betty Gorski have been given the privilege to take part in this tour.

Bell Telephone Hour

Pauline Click and Loretta Tune were given the opportunity to tour the Bell Telephone Company on April 16. It was a delightful experience.

There were two girls from every graduating class of Detroit Public and Parochial Schools. The tour was preceded by a presentation of a carnation to each girl. Then guides took the group through the various departments and explained the work of the different employees "on the job." Most interesting were the switchboard operations.



VOCATIONAL EXHIBIT prepared by Grade 7 under the direction of Mr. Raymonk Wozniak

SUPERLATIVES

Carmen Moreno
— Jolliest

Julius Goubis
— Sportliest

Elaine Novotny
— Classiest

Angeline Ryba
— Quietest

Michael Rumps
— Lankiest

Sarah Schannault
— Kindest

Pamela Sharp
— Gravest

Gary Stassick
— Slickest

Anne Steve
— Brightest

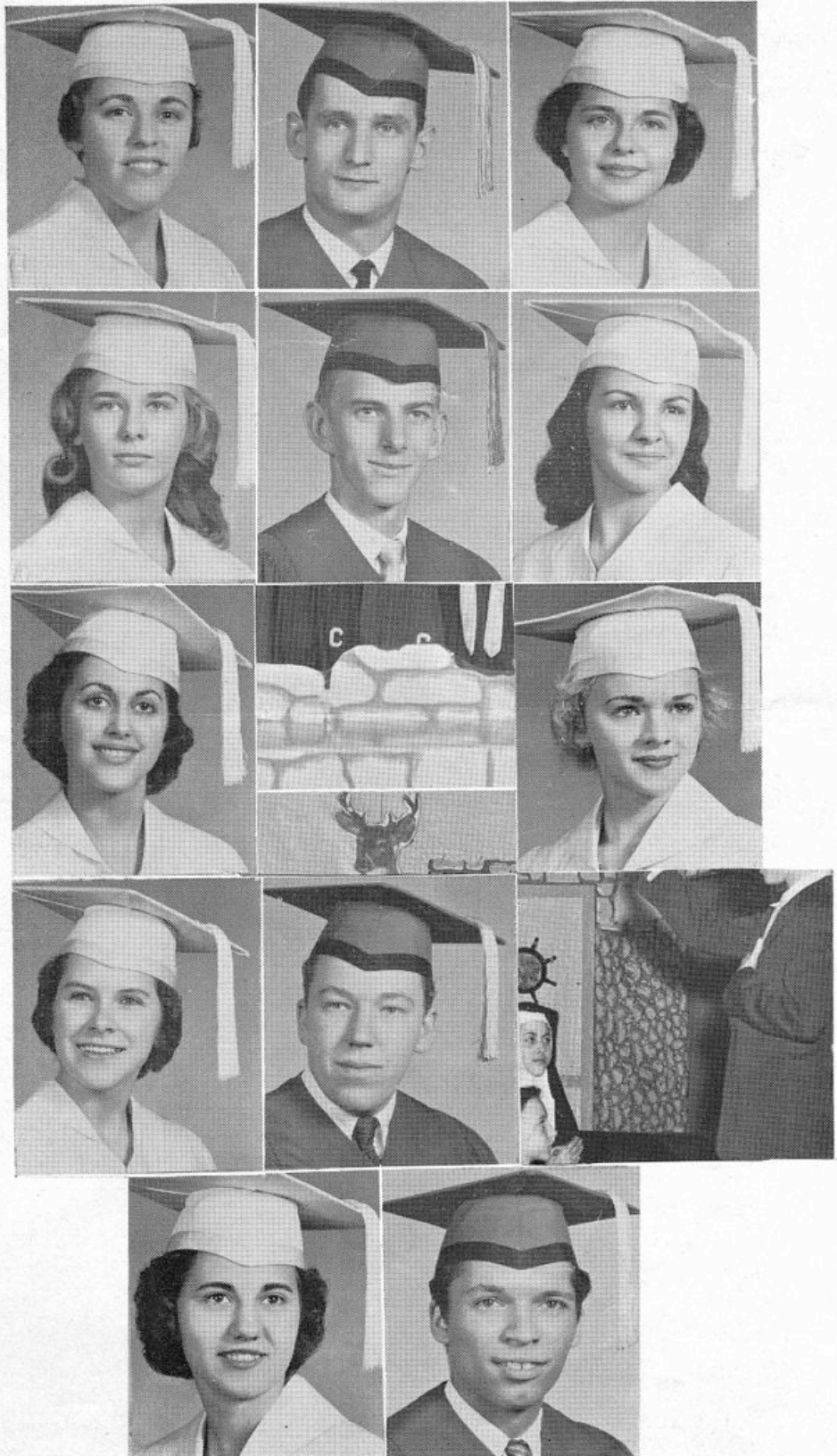
Judy Stewart
— Elitest

Bob Smith
— Funniest

Loretta Tune
— Busiest

Barbara Percha
— Petitest

Welford Sizemore
— Astutest



STAFF AUDITS FEPC PRESS CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Six staff members and the moderator of the school paper have attended the FEPC Conference at Wayne State University, May 11, 1960. Attending were: Sister M. Sigmunda, R. Polk, J. Schimelfening, S. Felker, M. Chote, C. Grohoski, R. Kozielski.

The Fair Employment Practices Commission is a service agency whose principal aim is to check discrimination in employment on grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin. Its general method of settling disputes is through hearings and case study.

Contrary to the general belief, the Commission is not a police agency seeking out the guilty party. It is rather a civic organization which strives for equitable solution of difficulties which result principally from prejudice (or pre-judgment) based on ignorance — the end-product being discrimination by denial of intrinsic rights to people, particularly in employment.

The FEPC is a vehicle for building a better society. Its aim is to eliminate preferential hiring. Its research function is to help get a better job on the basis

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MC Sports Editor Lauds Champ

In the recent grade school swimming championships, Visitation's well-balanced squad captured the girls' title for the fourth time in six years with a splendid total of 42½ points. Gesu took second with 34 and Guardian Angel's third with 31½, but the most remarkable swimming team of all was the St. Casimir's entry which placed fourth with 20 points.

Casimir's had Laura Frost.

The little 12-year-old seventh grader won two events and tied for first with Mary Alter of St. Matthew's school in another to accumulate 20 points. What makes Laura's performance all the more scintillating was the fact that she was her school's only entry.

This nautical phenom, has already been tabbed as a potential college star by such outstanding swimming coaches as Gus Stager of the University of Michigan and Clarence (Pinkie) Pinkston of the Detroit Athletic club. Laura is a modest, well-mannered, pleasant little girl. And boy, can she swim!

It's little wonder that the experts forecast a brilliant future for this tiny miss who stands four foot-seven and weighs only 70 pounds. At 12 years of age she already has a roomful of trophies she has won in the past five years.

Laura practices at least an hour a day, six days a week.

She still finds time to help her mother with light domestic chores and what's more important is a B student.

Laura's father, Elmer, teaches swimming on Saturdays at American Turner's Detroit club. He swam for 20 years as a member of the Kronk Recreation team and excelled in the 50 and 100-yard free style. He won several AAU titles in these events.

She hopes to break the 50-meter national butterfly record for 12-year-olds at the Water Wonderland swimming meet to be held at Brennan pools on August 13 - 14.

Last Saturday Laura won the mile race for 16-year-olds-and-under in the Detroit Parks and Recreation meet held at St. Clair Recreation pool. She swam the distance in 25 minutes and 48 seconds, fabulous time for a 12-year-old. She also won the Recreation department's all events crown this winter, winning the backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and free style events.

Two weeks ago she shattered the national record by swimming the 100-yard butterfly in 1:11.7, bettering the old mark by one-tenth second. She registered this phenomenal mark in Flint at the Michigan Amateur Aquatics.

It's little wonder that the experts predict a brilliant future for this youngster. She has already won more than 219 awards.

(Michigan Catholic May 26, 1960 "Frankly Speaking" by Frank Guyott)



These panelists won \$50 worth of books for the library

Farewell, Seniors

We, the students of St. Casimir, congratulate you on attaining your final goal: graduation!

You are strongly encouraged to continue your education for God's glory, the good of our country, and for personal benefit.

Hoping that you keep in mind and cherish at heart the things you have learned at St. Casimir's, we bid you farewell.

Our good wishes go your way. May your lives be abundantly blessed. May you know the protection of Mary and St. Casimir until you have graduated from a world of trial and anxiety.

A GRADUATE'S PRAYER

Almighty Father, Who at sundry times and in divers manners spoke in times past to the Fathers by the Prophets, and last of all in these days has spoken to us by Thy Son; grant, I beseech Thee, that Thy divine Message of Love, announced to me through the saving waters of Regeneration, strengthened at the Table of Thy Sacrificial Banquet, and illumined by Thy teaching authority, the Church, of which this school is an instrument, may continue to sound with increasing vigor in every corner of my heart and soul all the days of my life. Amen.

—J. T. S.

Graduation Quiz

Do I Have What It Takes?

- Do I accept responsibility and follow it through to a "T"?
- Am I willing to learn, to accept suggestions, to improve myself?
- Am I enthusiastic about reading, studying, observing — and then telling others about what I've read, studied, or seen?
- Do I possess average intelligence?
- Am I in good physical and mental health?
- Do I have patience?
- Do others enjoy working with me? Do I enjoy working with them?
- Do I have ingenuity—one idea in the hand and two in the bush?
- Do I have initiative — a self-starting mechanism?

OUR THANKS

The graduating class takes this opportunity to express its gratitude to Sister Mary Amelberga (Principal), to Sister Mary Benita and the Faculty for their kindness and forbearance throughout their high school years.

God Bless You!

MOTHER'S WORDS

by Mare Chote '63

- I. When I was just a little girl
Ant sat on Mama's knee,
I'd ask her softly, "Mother
dear,
What lies ahead for me?"
- II. She'd smile at me, saying
eyes
And tell me tenderly,
"Love God alone; obey His
Laws,
And Heaven shall you see."
- III. Then I became a teener
And with friends, my dreams,
I'd share.
But I'd still remember Mother's
words,
"Love God, And He'll take
care."
- IV. Soon I was wife, and mother,
too,
And children I had three.
"What lies ahead for me?"
they'd ask.
"Love God. Live eternally."
- V. Now I am a grand-mother,
Grand-children all the same of
me
answer them with mother's
words:
"Love God . . . And you will
happy be."

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