

FREDERIC (John Jacobs) tells Mabel (Mary Jo Gurtz) and Major General Stanley (George Christopher) that he's out to liquidate the pirate band. Loretta Brunk Alice Hollands, and Nancy Brennan are spectators.

# **Choralers Present Operetta 'Pirates of Penzance**

The rollicking Pirates of Penzance, a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, was staged by the senior chorus March 21. Its plot revolves around the devotion of Frederic (John Jacobs), an apprentice pirate who has completed his indentures, to his

sense of duty

Making complications for him are his pirate captain (Jerry Pranger, his nursemaid (Ellen Vernier), Major General Stanley (George Christopher), Mabel (Mary Jo Gurtz), and the chief of police (Don Abood).

The production was directed by Sister Mary Carl and Sister M. Jane Frances.

# Remnant Roundup

At the request of the parochial school office, senior students give mental prayers over the p.a. during Lent.

Students and faculty wish to express their sincerest sympathy to Sister M. Gilbertine on the death of her sister and to the family of Arthur Ribant.

Six sophomore girls of 114 were photographed for the Michigan Catholic with their miniature floats made for Mary's Year.

Members of the CSMC are making cord rosaries under the leadership of Barbara Miller, 117 The Sister Home Visitors of Mary, for whom Barbara works, use these rosaries to give to the families they visit.

The Future Nurses' Club is making cancer pads to be donat-

### Seniors Consider **College Education**

Make way, colleges! St. Tony's seniors are on the way

The U. of D. will open its doors to Jim Olson, Bob Bayne, Dick Gosh, Don Syczesny, Al Rugenius, Tom Stanczyk, Dick Trombley, Jerry Paoletti, and Larry Drake. They are going to take engineering. John Medaugh, manufacturer's agent of the future, and Tom Donahue, who hopes to become a commercial artist, will also attend.

Pat McDonald, Dan Currie, and Tom Koch choose Michigan State. Pat will take up business administration; Dan, physical education or hotel administration; and Tom, hotel administration.

Planning to attend Wayne are Dick Pfrender for pre-medicine, Ed Chorenziak for business administration, and Don McCarthy for engineering.

Bob Katchmark, future engineer; Dan Allen, future lawyer; and Pete Bucci, draftsman-to-be, are planning to invade the U. of M.

All alone at their respective colleges as representatives of St. Anthony will be Joe Cugliari studying electrical engineering at Lawrence Tech, Jim Brooks taking up engineering at General Motors Tech, and Dick Ravetta perusing either aeronautical or mechanical engineering at Navy

John Jacobs has a scholarship for the College of Mining and Engineering at Houghton, Michigan.

### Forget-Me-Nots **Band Together**



## **U. D. High Hosts Sodalists Seniors Act** From Michigan High Schools Jesuits Lead 1.500 Students

Sodalists met at the University of Detroit High School for their annual Sodality Day, February 27 Six sessions were scheduled in which Father Joseph Sommer, S.J., of the Queen's Work staff, spoke

on reasons for the Sodality's existence and Father Leo Wobido, S. J., also of the Queen's Work, stressed daily Mass' and Mary's role in our holiness.

Sodalists were shown how to make a mental prayer. There was also a talk on "Leisure time - for what?" The Sodality members took part in an open discussion on this subject, which included "going steady "

Luncheon and dancing preceded the afternoon meetings. "Dancing was a pretty swell idea," commented Dan Schmidt, 115, "It kept the kids hopping!"

Father J Robert Koch, S.J., president of U. of D. High, compared the sodality day to a pep rally "Just as a pep rally renews one's school spirit, we have a Sodality Day to renew Sodality Spirit," he said.

Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and the Act of Consecration by the Sodalists closed the

#### S. Tabacchi Relates **Play Complications**

"I'm going to try out for the next school play," remarked Sharon Tabacchi.

"Is it really fun to appear on stage in plays, Sharon?" your inquisitive reporter asked.

"No, it's hard and a lot of work memorizing all your lines and saying them in just a certain way."

"Then why did you say you were going to try out for it again?"

"Because, well-er, it's fun!" she said as she gazed hungrily into the candy counter at which she was being interviewed.

Sharon, a sophomore and vicepresident of the class, has already appeared in two plays and has also sung a solo in a chorus program.

Four days before the last school play, Murder in a Nunnery, was to be presented before an audience, Sharon caught laryngitis. While handicapped she acted out the scenes while Sister Mary Roman, director of the play, said her words.

# Prom Royalty



QUEEN Carol Damrais, King Francis Dropsho.

#### **Committee Makes Plans For Prom**

Prom King Francis Dropsho and Queen Carol Damrais will lead the Grand March at the Junior-Senior Prom, May 14, Junior Class President Roy Molly announced.

Members of their Court of Honor are: Ronald Brombach and Maureen Daudlin, Roman Pacella and Marilyn Spanski, Don Dimmer and Rosemarie Denomme, Larry Kennedy and Valaree Lockhart.

Music will be furnished by Carlos Rivera and his orchestra. "Neapolitan Nights" is the theme of the dance.

#### former leading lady.

When asked how you go about studying for a play, she replied, "You have to speak loudly, stand in a certain position so as to have the audience hear every word you say, give up a lot of your spare time, and memorize your lines so much that you almost say them in your

# 'Bernadette'

Again the seniors will demonstrate their acting abilities in the presentation of their class play, The Song of Bernadette. The play, which was chosen in honor of Mary's Year, is under the direction of Miss Joan Mauer and will be given on May 2 and 3 in the school auditorium.

Elizabeth Wilson portrays Bernadette. Tonia Gogoleski, Mary Jo Gurtz, and Gabriel Nosseck interpret the roles of Sister Maria Therese Vauzaus, Jeanne Abadie, and Marie Soubirous.

Among the other seniors entertaining us for the last time are Jean Donnelly, Pat Tener, Jerry Neaton, Jim Olson, Ken Sullivan, Joyce Urbani, Alice Hollands, and Bob Swoish.

# St. Tony Given Air of Frolic

Colorful decorations, posters lining the bulletin boards, and frilled hats could be seen everywhere at the Mardi Gras, March 1. Games and skits were presented in the classrooms, refreshments were served in the cafeteria, and to highlight the afternoon the lively rhythms of the Royalaires were heard in the auditorium at the dance. Classes had been shortened so as to begin the fun at 12 o'clock.

Each division put on some sort of entertainment. Seniors in 215 presented their own automobile show, "The Top Stars." Those in the show who pantomimed to records were Pat Kelley, Mary Lou Cronin, Rosemarie Ferger, Richard Krause, Roberta Freese, Pat Labiak, Pat Klein, and Jean Donnelly

The Darktown Fashion Show, where the latest in clothing was modeled, was presented by the juniors of 312. The models, all done up in their creations and painted faces, were Tom Burkheiser, Dick Golombek, Frank Johannes, Bob Rhead, Bob Kopecki, Roy Molly, Judy Dumas, Geraldine Antonelli, Ethel Czopko, Lois Johnson, and Sue Cunnally

Home life down south was supposedly depicted in room 12's Grand Old Opera. Richard Boertmann was

ed to the American Cancer Society. It will send Easter baskets to orphans at the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Home in Farmington.

What has been called Hollywood's best Shakespearean production, Julius Caesar, is playing at the Krim.

A practically unknown branch of the CSMC is its mission study club which meets monthly under the chairmanship of Theresa Barthelemy to discuss the situation in foreign mission territories.

This issue of the **Prelude** was put out by the sophomore journalism class.

Congratulations to the seniors and juniors, victors in the first games of the Holy Name intramural basketball playoffs.

Senior boys of St. Anthony have formed a club in order to keep in touch after graduation and sponsor social activities. The "Piston Pushers," 30 of them, meet once a month.

The business of the meeting is conducted according to parliamentary procedure by Dick Allegrati, 217, president; Ray Head, 215, vice-president; and Jim Berger, 215, treasurer. A constitution of three articles has been drawn up concerning the conduct of members at meetings, the brotherhood of members, and the financial status of the club. Any boy of the present senior class may join. Members are requir-

ed to purchase a black satin jacket with a white emblem both as an initiation gesture and a symbol of membership. Dues are one dollar a month.

"I got so used to the dubbed in voice that when I recovered my own, I didn't know when, where, or how to say my words," proclaimed the

### On the Wing APRIL

- 2-Third Quarter Ends 13-Student Council Meeting **14—Easter Vacation Begins** 26-School Reopens
- MAY
- 2, 3-Senior Class Play **3—CSMC** Election 11-Student Council Meeting
- 14-Junior-Senior Prom -CSMC Installation of 18-
  - Officers

#### sleep."

But in spite of all this dejecting encouragement, come next season and another school play and you may again see Sharon in one of the leading roles.

#### School Harbors **Native Lithuanian**

Al Rugienius, 216, left Lithuania to come to America in 1944 His reason-the Russian persecution of 1941. Al actually saw his uncle, a priest, persecuted. When all of their relatives were being sent to Siberia, Al's family decided to come to America. They arrived in July, 1949.

Al will have spent all four years of high school at St. Anthony when he graduates in June. He claims his

"Pa" and Pat Klebbe teamed up as "Ma." Others in the cast were Jim Gardiner, Melba Amicarelli, and Lorraine Dembski.

Freshmen offered a variety of fun, including a movie on Cool Hotrods and games of Shoot the Hat Off the Clown and Quick Change Act. An auction was held in rooms 118 and 119.

Thanks were extended by the Student Council to all the students who made this affair successful.

first year was the hardest because he had to learn the English language then. Thinking about studying engineering, Al plans to go to the U. of D.

When asked what he thought of Americans, he said, "People in this country do many things without thinking." His favorite customs aren't American ones.

# 64 Dollar Question

Father Mark asked me last week if I, as a typical teen-age student in a Catholic school, could tell him why we-meaning all of us-don't receive Communion more often.

Well, what could I say? I mean, how many of us really get sick from fasting or are scared to walk up the aisle? The real reason with most of us-well, just what is it? I told him maybe it was because we don't see what real benefit there is in going to Holy Communion.

What I was thinking-maybe Father knew it—was, we know what real benefits we can gain from Holy Communion, all right, but maybe we think the effects would be too noticeable. We want to be the ordinary, regular guy or girl—not somebody different, a "standout," a leader who has courage and guts and a personality that will attract people to Christ. If the Sacraments are going to make us something out of the ordinary then no, thank you, we'll take vanilla.

Well, while that was going through my mind and making my face red, Father gave me the facts about Communion. Our Lord, when He comes, brings sanctifying grace which makes me stronger against temptation and pleasing in the eyes of God. And Christ Our Lord needs me at Communion because He has to have someone bring His gifts to my homeroom, to my history class, to my home. He needs me because I can give Him the things He gets from nobody else: my life, my praise, my actions, my words with Bobo and Jean, Mom and Dad, Dave and Billy

But why am I repeating this to you? You've heard it a hundred times before, too.

# It's Worth It?

"O-w-w-w, I got another D.T., and for just two minutes. What do you think of that?"

"I think that you were late."

"But just two minutes late."

"Gee, Sally, consider for a moment what would result if the whole school were just two minutes late-if they all charged in like fullbacks and traveled stairs in leaps and bounds."

"What a mess!"

"You can say that again."

"What a mess!"

"Seriously though, being late is a blot on your dependability and cooperation marks, too."

"Well I guess so. I hadn't thought of it that way Guess I'll be on time from now on. Maybe it'll be worth it."

## THE PRELUDE



Here Comes Easter!

What does Easter really mean to you?

A time to get new spring duds? Another

season to see the latest fashions? One

special Sunday you may go to church and

show off your new suit, or see Emily's new

Easter shouldn't mean this to anyone. It

is a time for spiritual joy, a time when we

rejoice again at reliving in our minds and

hearts the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus

After Our Lord's passion and death on

the cross for our salvation, He arose from

the dead as He promised, proving His di-

vinity and giving our faith a sure founda-

Sunday, remember to praise the Lord for

the joy and hope of eternal salvation He

obtained for us by His Glorious Resur-

So when you go to church on Easter

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### In Wemory

Cancer, a most dreaded disease, has again claimed a student of St. Anthony. Constance Mrozka, a freshman for only a few months, died because of it this past February.

Connie had been a brilliant student at Assumption Grotto School. Her teachers say she was one of their finest pupils, always kind and courteous.

An unusually tall girl, Connie had golden brown hair and strikingly mellow blue eyes. Though she was not forward, she

# Our Courtesy Code

Drawn up by the Student Council of St. Anthony High School, and subscribed to by the students

In the halls, I will

respect my fellow-students by not shoving or shouting

move along so that others may not be detained

At assemblies, I will

be courteous and attentive

not ridicule the speaker or performer in any way or by noise of any kind

In the cafeteria, I will

eat properly and remember my manners remember that man is superior to animals

In class, I will

be attentive, especially during announcements

answer when spoken to, but will not interrupt

make proper use of study time not ridicule other students or the teacher

avoid being an annoyance to others, teachers as well as students

respect the property of other students present excuses and assignments at the

proper time maintain a pleasant and respectful tone

of voice

At other places and at other times during the school year, I will

co-operate and participate in school projects and activities

obey school regulations

treat school property as I would my own respect authority

take heed of constructive criticism

volunteer my services graciously

conduct myself on the way to and from school as a Catholic and as a representative of St. Anthony High School remember above all that the code of courtesy applies in Church, in the presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

# Students Suggest ...

We would like a large mirror in the second floor lavatory.

The office has given its approval, but Father Raible will have the final say

Is there a possibility of having our cafeteria meals served on the government basis?

Father Spatt said that he has been thinking of running the cafeteria on that plan next year, since this year is almost over.

The seniors should do something for the. ose of the soul of Josephine

# Kits and Kats

David Brower, a member of Guardian Angels Parish, is the second of five boys in his family He played basketball in the C.Y.O. league this past season and during the summers he likes to camp and swim. Dave is also a member of the Sodality

He likes to dress "conservatively," he says with a twinkle in his eye, leaving the inquirer to wonder if the meaning of the word has changed. When Dave has that twinkle mischief is often brewing. But Dick, Dave's sophomore brother, commented, "Dave doesn't do a thing to be mean. He's just pesty."

Although his future is very indefinite, Dave thinks automotive design might in-"Conservative" design, of terest him course.



Janice Koch, better known as "Cookie," is four feet, eleven inches tall. She is often told to quit walking on her knees.

Cookie played varsity basketball in her freshman year and is now a member of the "A. Club." Another extra activity she is in is the chorus.

After school hours Jan loves to feast on Italian food, especially pizza. She states that one of these days she'd like to master the art of cooking it herself.

What the future holds in store for Jan is unknown, although she's interested whenever marriage is mentioned.

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Freshman Mary Foulon is partial to sports. She played grade school basketball for two years and in her first year at St. Anthony has made varsity on the Teutonette squad. She spends most of her afterschool time practicing basketball and swimming and thinks that more people should attend the girls' basketball games.

"St. Tony's is tops, and the nice thing is the friendly attitude of the kids," states Mary What most people who know Mary say is: "You can't help but like her; she has a nice sense of humor and is dependable."

After graduation her plans are uncertain but Mary says she will probably end up doing secretarial work.



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was friendly No. 5

God didn't give her many years to fulfill her duties to Him on earth but it seems that He would be well pleased with her efforts. May He grant her eternal rest and let perpetual light shine upon her.

# Condolences

Lord, have mercy on all the faithful departed, especially on the sister of Sister M. Gilbertine; the grandmother of Ronald Bisby; the grandfathers of Tom Gualdoni, Joann Boike, and Nancy Rammalaere; the aunt of Barbara Sorvick: the uncles of Charles Gregris, Dick LeVans, Paul Faba, Jackie Craig and Barbara and Don Weiss; the cousins of Ed Peck and Connie Facemeyer; and Arthur Ribant.

member of their class who died three years ago.

We presented this suggestion to the senior class counselor who expects that something will be done by the seniors for her.

His hobbies are hunting, tobogganing, and dancing. Bob dislikes girls who smoke and big people on crowded streetcars.

Several sophs, boys and girls, agreed that Bob's someone everyone can get along with. They say he has a keen sense of humor and is a sharp dresser.

Bob plans to attend college after graduation and he would like to visit California sometime.

(Comments on the change in name of this feature would be apreciated.)

Sophomore Bob Sparling has traveled a lot with the rowing team. He received his letter this year, after visiting with the team such places as Chicago, Purdue University in Indiana, Niagara Falls, and Canada, where he stayed at Toronto's famous Argonaut Hotel.

A consistent Honor Roller, the boy could be expected to merit a remark like this from a Sister: "Bob has a lot of determination-a strong personality which makes him capable of becoming a good leader and of getting whatever he wants out of life."

### A Few Returning Oarsmen



# Wha' Hoppened?

Fads! Fads! Will they ever be allowed to die peacefully or pass off gracefully? From the looks of things around ol' St. Tony's, I doubt it. The newest rage among the senior cats is suspenders Bright, broad suspenders! Dan Currie, Joe Washo, and Joe Cugliari seem to be the big boys in the suspender ring.

My foresight tells me that Arthur Van Fleteren may be the nucleus of a new, if queer, fad because of his curly blond hair. His Toni may cause some kids to call him Goldy Locks in preference to Buzzy

The Mutt and Jeff of our football team, Dan Currie and Tom Koch (in reverse order), seem to have developed a keen sense of curiosity They had a strong desire to see the action football pictures that are going into the **Antholite**. The two stealthily entered the dark room but were sent scampering by Sister Gilbertine before they saw anything. So the next time they brought along a look-out— Matt Burke.

After this try failed they decided to give up the whole idea and be surprised when they get their first view of the **Antholite** as a finished product.

St. Tony's really has a right to be proud of its bowlers. Some really are good. But you won't find too many of these among the sophomore girls. You may think I'm harsh but after you hear this you'll be sympathetic. As she ran like a bird to the foul line, with the proper manipulation of the limbs, she rolled the ball. It went, rather timidly at

PAT HYNES, Joe Vargo, Joe Myrtle, Bob Sparling, and Jerry Provencher, with Paul Faba in the foreground.

# Teutons Hail Promising Year While Rowing Season Unfolds

Rowing season was ushered in this past month by enthusiastic oarsmen at the Detroit Rowing Club where St. Anthony begins its

third season of this sport.

# Preps Defeated InStateTourney

St. Joseph, one of the school's old rivals, provided the opposition as St. Anthony entered the first round of the State Basketball Tournament. During the regular season the Teutons and Blue Jays each had chalked up one victory against the other

The game proved to be one of the toughest of the year for both teams At the end of the half the Teutons held a 15-13 edge. Going into the final minute of the game, the St. Anthony quintet took a 34-33 lead. With less than a second to play, the ball was taken by the Blue Jays out near their own basket. 6'6" Norm Mueller, tallest player on the floor, took the pass and tipped in the ball to give the Gratiot Avenue five 35 to our 34.

week when the regular first period classes were at Mass an elderly gentleman respectfully reposed his weary bones in a pew with several sophomore boys. Joe Washo merrily chirped, "Another new sophomore!"

Have you had the experience of waiting for DSR during our nottoo-long-ago blizzards? If you have, you'll probably be right in with the sentiments of this bit of non-sensical poetry: Real work began as the season grew a few weeks old. The first four or five days were spent acquainting the green oarsmen with the rules and regulations of the club. After Mother Nature cleared away the main obstacle  $(sn \circ w)$ , practice took a little longer stride as road work was added to the indoor conditioning of the oarsmen.

"The boys had a good season last year and if they get to work with the same determination they had, there isn't any reason why this season can't be better," says Assistant Coach Tom Gannon.

Already as the season was only about a month old, the oarsmen showed signs of being capable of landing a seat in the crew.

"The year of '54 will probably hold many surprises for a rowing coach and St. Anthony's team no doubt will be one of them," reveals Coach Jud Ross.

The first regatta of the year will be the annual one with Purdue University Probable schedule: Canadian Schoolboy, Nationals, Dominion Day, and American Schoolboy

Lettermen returning to the crew are: Paul Faba, Pat Hynes, Bob Sparling, Joe Myrtle, Syl Taube, Joe Kuhr, Joe Vargo, Dick Theil, Dick Ravetta, and Jerry Provencher.

#### **Girls Join CYO Softball**

# Second City Title Eyed By Varsity Cagerettes

The only team in the C. Y O. Tournament playoffs which has not lost so far is St. Anthony The Teutonettes have five victories and hope to earn the city championship again this year

#### Lourdes, Miller Trample Teutons

On Sunday, February 21, a very enthusiastic crowd witnessed Lourdes, heavy favorites, capture the title of Catholic City Champs as they took a 55-40 decision from St Tony

Frank Vaccareli led Lourdes to victory with his contribution of 18 points. Dan Currie topped the Teutons' scoring list with 17 points.

Height proved to be an important factor in the game. Lourdes, a team whose starting five averaged well over six feet, had most of it.

St. Tony took an early lead after which it dropped behind, never getting any closer than five points.

Miller High, using its regulars only at the start and finish, defeated St. Tony 48-37 in a game between the runners-up in the City and Catholic Leagues.

The Teutons, stunned by the fact that they were behind 6-1 in the first 63 seconds, trailed Miller for the remainder of the game.

Center Dan Currie led both squads in scoring with 13 points. St. Theresa fell 35-8 without any trouble. Mary Lou Gentry was high with 23 points. Carole Kirouac had 11.

A repeat performance was made against Nativity The Vi-queens were on the bottom of a 36-27 score. Carole was high scorer with 22 points. Mary Lou had 11.

The game with Felician Academy was a real thriller. All through the second half the score was close During the fourth quarter, with only a few minutes to play and the score 20-19 in our favor, Carole came through with four points and Judy Van Fleteren snagged two. The final score was 25 to 20. Carole tallied 14 points, Judy 6, and Mary Lou 5.

St. Patrick's of Wyandotte was downed 36-14. Mary Lou had 15 points and Carole had 12.

Mary Lou and Carole had 12 points apiece in the game against Mt. Carmel. Rita Holden had 9. The final score was 36-9.

The sportsmanship of the guards —Jean Donnelly, Toots Missig and Pat Zabkiewicz—deserves commendation because it has lifted the morale of their teammates. Because of their ability other teams have been held to only slight scores.

### Set 'em Up Again



VIRG GARASCIA, Rich Dumas, Sally Kramer, and John Medaugh.

# 3 Fouls, Champs Bowl High

First place in the Girls' Bowling League is currently held by the Three Fouls. The Spec-Taculars have a one-point lead over the thirdplace Lucky Strikes.

High averages are held by Toots Missig (123) and Carole Kirouac and Ellen Vernier (121). Pat Zabkiewicz bowled the highest game (192). Al Mareski and Carole Kirouac have both rolled 181.

Pat Zabkiewicz, Toots Missig, and Judy Dumas have high series of 477, 455, and 450. The Champs (John Jacobs, Tom Szankin, Jim Olson, Dick Thiel, and Jim Conniff) are still in the lead in the Holy Name Bowling League. The Jokers have a 3½ point lead over the Jolly Rogers so that the rating of all three teams remains the same.

Bill Murray rolled a high game of 245; Anthony Zukowski, Jim Conniff, and Terry Stein, 236; and Tom Szankin, 227 Stein and Conniff have high series of 588 and 572.

Team high is held by the Jokers with 907 The Holy Rollers bowled a 901 and the Champs an 899. The Jokers have a high series of 2,578; the Holy Rollers, 2,570; the Champs, 2,537

first, then gaining more vim and speed. It might have been a strike had it rolled down the alley But somehow it went in the opposite direction. Her name is being withheld in the interest of human kindness.

This school is taking in more students than it can afford to. Last

#### **Hogans Play Golf?**

Do you enjoy pursuing that illusive little fellow around your favorite golf course? If you and a few other people do, your opportunity to play on an organized team has come. Father Dougherty has announced that anyone wishing to play on this team should hand his name to him.

"Now, let's see the fellows make it work!" Father challenges. Bussy-wussy was a bus

But he would never stop for us. And sometimes he made us cuss While we were waiting for a bus 'Cause he would never stop for us. There was a driver named Gus who would have fit into that poem,

too. Aren't you glad we stopped?

Did you hear about the French Poodle that called the meat market to deliver the message, "Zave ze bones?"

Many of the students and faculty suffered a slight case of shock on St. Pat's Day. I guess the green hair was too much for them. They thought a Martian Invasion was at hand. But it wasn't—just the St. Tony colleens trying to outdo each other.

Pat Badaczewski ni

The newly-formed girls' CYO softball team has been organized as far as the election of captains. Those elected are Sally Quinn, captain, and Leona Kerwinski and Katy Oswald, co-captains.

Caps in the school colors will be worn on the field by members of the team.

#### **Currie Honored**

Dan Currie has just added another honor to his already long list. Just sewn to the sleeve of his school sweater, which is already covered with stripes given for all-city and all-state, is a blue stripe. This stripe is one of the greatest honors that can be bestowed on a high school athlete. It was given to Dan for being elected to the all-American high school football team in his junior year.

### **Prep of the Month**

"Jerry Neaton would be a help on any basketball team," says teammate Dwight Piper. "His onehanded set shot is terrific."

Jerry is a regular in football and basketball for the Teutons. He was admitted into the "A" Club in his sophomore year when he won his first letter, in basketball. Third base is the spot at which Jerry hopes to end his athletic career at St. Tony

But he rates bowling as his number one sport.

After graduation the Neaton bread and butter may be earned by professional singing. You will have spotted Jerry in the pirate band of the operetta. He will again be in front of the footlights portraying the doctor in **The Song of Bernadette**. Holders of high averages are Jacobs and Szankin (165) and Conniff (162).

#### **Baseball Coming**

The St. Anthony baseball team is again waiting for spring practice to begin. Most of the boys are now shaking the kinks out of their arms and legs to be ready for the coming season.

Hoping to improve on last year's record of one victory, three losses, and a tie, the Teutons are banking on the return of several regulars of last year. These include Tony Stefani, Larry Kennedy, Dwight Piper, Tom Koch, and Bob Katchmark.

#### THE PRELUDE

# **St. Anthony Merits NCA Distinction** As Most Worthy Of Improvements

St. Anthony High has been awarded by the National Convenience Association first prize as the school with the greatest possibility for modern improvements.

The award includes the installation of four elevators equipped with foam-rubber seats and a freight elevator for overburdened freshmen, the use of electric pullmans that can travel up and down stairs, and genuine Indian-made pouches which can be attached to a student's back if he likes to talk with his hands and is hindered by cumbersome books.

Construction will get under way two weeks from today to convert the library and study hall into a useful recreation room where weary students may rest. Smoking will be allowed. Lunches will be served. Naps will be encouraged. Television sets will be available and a band will be hired weekly to play requests if the students should wish to dance.

#### Monument Recalls Doctor's Heroism

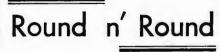
The monument erected on East Blvd. and Gratiot to the memory of Dr. Joseph DeHoratiis is often passed by St. Anthony students. It is a tribute to the doctor's heroism in the Detroit race riot, June, 1944.

More than 30,000 whites and Negroes, attracted by the high wages then being offered by war industries, had come here from the South bringing with them their traditional antagonism.

Early in June, 1944, agitators who have been charged with being members of the Ku Klux Klan aroused white southern workers to protest the promotion of certain Negroes employed by the Packard Company.

Many Negro workers were unable to get to the plant because they were attacked by roving mobs composed chiefly of boys and young men. One night four Negroes were beaten and abused even though they were under the protection of eight patrolmen. Mobs of about 800 to 1,000 roamed the streets, attacking Negroes in automobiles by overturning or burning the cars.

Thirty-five persons were killed, 29 of whom were Negroes. Dr. De-Horatiis dared to venture into a Negro neighborhood to help someone who needed medical care. He met death while trying to get to his patient.



Leading platters of the wax world

Instead of blaring bells the everbeautiful Soft will be played for change of classes.

And for a revolution in educational methods, movies will be substituted for teachers and books. Students on the co-operative plan will have no homework. The co-operative plan involves a promise by the student that he will delight the teacher by being absent at least once a week.

It has also been definitely decided that exams only excite the pupils —causing ulcers, high blood pressure, and brain concussions. Hence, for the good of our modern generation, they will be eliminated.

**French** Newsmen

**Speak For Justice** 

"Better Wages!" "Improved Wor-

king Conditions!" Such are the ban-

ner headlines of Au Courant, an

1848 French newspaper put out by

the second period modern history

Such great interpreters of world

events as Linda Gogoleski, Thomas

Goff, Sally Przybylski, Phyllis

Prybys, Jerry Jasczcz. Donald Sul-

kowski, David Krause, Lorraine

Klebba, and Ray Williams reported

on-the-spot news of local and world

some of their newspaper space to

fashion news. Mary Anderson found

that v-neck dresses and shawls are

the rage in Paris. Marilyn Frie-

burger supplied fashion sketches.

Hair-stylings and headdresses were

A book, music, and art review

by Jacqueline Craig, Pat Plourde,

and Sharon Piper told who's done

what in the world of culture. Har-

ry Deneweth, Robert LaBrash, and

Raymond Matusko supplied adver-

This project was initiated by Miss

The long, narrow box that was

seen being carried up the stairs of

St. Tony was not a coffin but a

badly needed stage-lighting system

complete with dimmers. The 800

lb. equipment was purchased by

Since the old system could prac-

tically be considered a fire hazard,

future stage productions will bene-

fit fro mthe purchase. It is consid-

ered to be of high quality and is

expected to serve the school's needs

for many years to come.

Father Raible.

Jo Anne Greene, teacher of the class.

described by Janet Merlo.

tisements for Au Courant.

Future Plays to Benefit

**By New Lighting System** 

But the Frenchmen devoted

class.

interest.

#### Representatives of the National Convenience Association will present this desirable award today, April 1, 1954.

## Voices Swell As Easter Arrives

To get the students of St. Anthony High into the Easter spirit this year, each class will begin with a chorus of **Here Comes Peter Cottontail**, beginning two weeks before Easter.

The faculty feels that this should instill in the students a great eagerness for the gathering of their baskets on Easter morning.

#### Frosh Improvise Ways Of Learning

Freshmen in the seventh-pe,riod study give evidence of the amount of wisdom they have acquired this year by devising new and clever methods of study

One of the cleverest is accomplished with only one eye while the other gazes wistfully at the clock. This is for schizophrenics or Dr. Jeckylland-Mr. Hyde personalities.

For the athletic type exercise galore is offered by the technique of making the three flights up to the library for a general conference with one's friends.

Public speaking is practiced, and the ability to take no for an answer is developed by the students who throw themselves heart and soul into the Sister-may-I-get-a-drink-ofwater routine. With careful timing, a user of this technique can encourage the development of vocal chords of everyone in his study group.

#### Fire Precautions Taken By Commissioner Burn

Fire investigators have examined Detroit schools within the past months. Four out of every three schools, including St. Anthony, were found to be inadequately equipped for extinguishing a fire. As a result, hydrants will be installed on each floor of every school building, Fire Commissioner Will Burn announced today

Orders have been given that the red and yellow structures must be placed not less than four feet from the wall of any corridor. This puts them in the aproximate position taken by the Sisters during change of class. Commented one Sister, "Well, Our Lord was subject to public authority, too."



## 'Heart of My Heart'



MIAA FIGHI and Mary Ann Skurda with Don Cornell at the Automobile Show.

# Cub Editors Interview Don Cornell At Show

While interviewing Don Cornell, the prominent singing star, two of our sophomore editors found that, like most singers, Don had come up in the world the hard way

Don was born in New York City and baptized Dominico Francisco Cornello. He attended Roosevelt High School in New York. While spending seven years training his voice, Don did a little singing in high school plays and for social affairs.

Don's singing career is the fault of a girl who stood him up. After waiting in front of a theater for her for about an hour, Don met an old friend who brought him to a party He did a little singing there and found that the guests liked his style. Later he got jobs with a few bands.

But just as Don's career was nearing its prime he was called into the Air Corps. This almost finished his future because, as he says, "We didn't **have to** make records or sing —we had a war to fight." After serving his country for four years he had to make a name for himself again.

Sammy Kaye gave him his first

# ALUMNOTES

Furthering his education at the U. of D. is Mike Faba, '53, who is majoring in drafting.

Rose Mary Badaczewski, '51, now Mrs. Dominic Romeo, is residing with her husband in Blackstone, Virginia.

Catherine Thomas Pilato, '53, is employed as a secretary at the Lincoln-Mercury factory.

The Mohawk Lumber Company

real break. Don began to produce such hits as: **I**, **It Isn't Fair**, and **I'm Yours.** Six gold records, one being **I**, are now in his collection. (A gold record is given a singer when his recording sells over a million copies.)

Don prefers to sing ballads and likes to have a string background in his accompaniment. He likes to dance to fox trots and once in a while try a jitterbug step or two.

Steak and spaghetti are favorite foods of his.

Don is married and has an eightmonths-old girl. When asked if he was bothered much by teen-agers, he replied, "If this is a bother, I consider being bothered a pleasure."

Don likes to do performances like the Auto Show at which he was interviewed. There's talk of his having a TV show in the future.

#### Prelude Tribute Paid To Biology Teacher - Nurse

We of the **Prelude** staff wish to pay tribute to Sister Mary Anne of room 120 for her act of humanity On March 27, 1954, Sister Mary Anne discovered a partially dead diamond-back rattlesnake near the Field entrance. For two days she nursed this deadly reptile back to health. This act of kindness to one of God's lowest creatures will never be forgotten by the students of St. Anthony We salute you, Sister Mary Anne!

Sister Mary Anne's funeral will be held at 10:00 on April 3, 1954, in St. Anthony's church.

The fastest-shot whole-kernel corn cereal in town is BIG SHOTS. Large, plump golden corn is picked at the fleeting moment of perfection from the weedless and bugless gardens of Central Park in New York City. It is then rushed to an immaculate soundproof factory along New York's waterfront where the kernels are emptied into cannons in 333 mammoth rooms. A match is ignited to one end, the shrill whistle is given, and everyone clears the room. Loud bangs blare out and then all is quiet. Your favorite cereal has just been shot. Men in white coats enter to pick up BIG SHOTS and pack it in boxes. In less than six months BIG SHOTS reach you - still warm.

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seem to have taken on the Italian style. Dean Martin's smooth singing sent **That's Amore** soaring to the top of the hit parade. His newest record, **Brother Pour the Wine**, will probably skyrocket as most of Dean's songs do.

The Gaylords have made another hit with Strings of My Heart and are following it up with From the Vine Came the Grape, which starts in a slow tempo and ends in a solid beat.

The guy with the vocal chords, Eddie Fisher, gives the ladies a thrill with A Girl, A Girl.

Buddy Greco's Sheik of Araby can send anybody into a spin. It will surely make a hit with the hepcats.

The strange Lou Monte treatment of Darktown Strutters' Ball reached fourth place on the top ten, although it is Lou's first big-time recording. has Larry Pellegrini, '53, as a salesman.

Gerry Usicki, '53, enjoys her job as secretary at Jack & Jill Ranch in upper Michigan.

Machine operators Betty Torris, '53, and Joan Bielski, '53, have company with stenographer Dolly Oldani at the National Bank.

Doing general office work at French Advertising Specialty Company is Shirley Kulka, '49. Pat Kurkowski, '49, is a private secretary at General Motors.

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