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36 Scholars Receive Honors

Last year, after the first semester exams, the Courier published a list of the students who qualified for the Dean's List or Honor Roll.

Thirty four students, 36.55% of the student body, attained either one of these two honors in January, 1965. This year 38.70% of the student body, 36 students, met the standards.

Seven students last year were put on the Dean's List in comparison to the nine students who were this year enrolled on this list.

The following is a list of the Venard students who have met the standards this year, at the completion of the first semester, for either the Dean's List or Honor Roll.

The following students have qualified for the Dean's List by maintaining a weighted average of not less than 90% with no single mark below 85%.

- N. Weyland 95.82%
- V. Kantorski 95.13%
- J. Boccellari 94.95%
- J. Borer 92.69%
- G. Connolly 90.26%
- J. Olson 97.08%
- W. Beazley 92.78%
- W. Noellert 95.05%
- T. MacGregor 91.25%

The following have qualified for the Honor Roll. These students attained a weighted average of not less than 85% with no single mark below 77%.

C. Cadorette, A. Gedicks, P. Laudicina, J. Reilly, St. Schlairet, L. Blob, M. Canavan, R. Carns, E. Elliott, L. Hevelhorst, P. Martin, M.T. McDonough, R. Mundy, B. Selbert, T. Weinburger, G. Chirichigno, W. Duggan, E. Fantis, J. Gaul, P. Lafanchise, M. Madden, R. Renfro, G. Tallon, R. Porier, R. Vasas, M. Waelder, R. Weber.



Mark Waelder and Paul Lafranchise clear a road on Venard property during last Tuesday's work afternoon for snow removal. The weekend's blizzard dumped a foot of snow on top of ten inches acquired in the storm of the previous week.

Priest Takes to Art

Art appreciation, the history of art, carpentry, painting, studio work, and sculpturing are some of the different courses Father Simone plans to study for one and a half to two years at Notre Dame University.

After his work at Notre Dame Father will have attained a master's degree in art.

Father, who left the Venard Tuesday, will begin his studies at Notre Dame with their spring courses. Former director of the Brothers, Father Simone also taught sophomore religion.

Canal Street Due Feb. 22

A Mardi Gras Guadeamus will be presented on Tuesday, Feb. 22 at 7:30 in the conference hall in a Canal Street, New Orleans atmosphere.

The students, wearing costumes designed and made by themselves, will parade around the conference hall while being judged by three faculty members. Prizes will be awarded for the costumes showing the most creativity. Available materials for the costumes will be distributed to the students in advance by the Dramatics Committee.

Gerry Will, Dramatics Committee chairman, said "We would like to have as much originality as possible." However, he refused to disclose any information concerning the prizes.

The twenty-second is the Tuesday immediately preceding Ash Wednesday and is the last moment of rejoicing before the Church's sorrowful pondering of the death of Christ.

French colonists introduced Mardi Gras into America in 1776. The custom became popular in New Orleans, La., and spread throughout the Southern States.

The Mardi Gras celebration goes back to an ancient Roman custom of merrymaking before a period of fast. In Germany it is called "Fasnacht" and in England it is called "Pancake Day."

Seniors to Take Seats in Senate

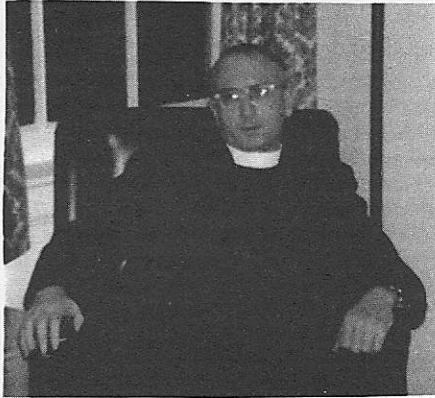
Twelve Venard Seniors will convene at Scranton University on Sat., Feb. 26, for a "mock senate" session in conjunction with their parliamentary law course.

Gerry Coogan, the parliamentary law course instructor, told the seniors that the session will begin around 9:00 and last till 4:00. Approximately 250 other parliamentary law students will attend the senate. The whole day will be run just as a regular day in the United States Congress.

The one-day senators will debate and vote on legislation presently before Congress and will follow strict parliamentary procedure.

The seniors have already taken three of the five classes decided upon for their parliamentary law instruction course.

Trouble Strikes At St. John's U.



Father Francis Canavan, S.J.

by M. Canavan

"The Academic dispute at St. John's has unfortunately degenerated into a power struggle between the administration and the militant ring of the faculty"

This is how Father Francis Canavan, S.J., associate editor of the magazine America, summed up the crisis at St. John's University. Father Canavan, who generally deals with economics, religion, and education, has written three articles on the dispute at St. John's. "The Academic Resolution at St. John's" was published in America on Aug. 7, 1965, long before the issue was brought to the attention of the general public. His latest article on St. John's is in the Jan. 22 issue of America. Father Canavan is well acquainted with administration-faculty relations in Catholic Universities from past personal experience.

When I interviewed Father Canavan, who happens to be my second cousin, the crisis was on the verge of a new year. Father Canavan explained what had happened at St. John's up until then. "The trouble at St. John's for several years has been a polarization of attitudes between an intransigent administration and an increasing bitter and vocal segment of the faculty concentrated principally in the United Federation of College Teachers (UFCT). I am far from thinking that all the wrong is on one side. But the atmosphere at St. John's is due mainly to the administration's past policies.

"Last spring the university committed itself to an extensive reform program designed to change this atmosphere into one of cooperation

In or Out

Are you in the "in" crowd?

"Everybody who's anybody is in the "in" crowd."

And it ain't just the kids, Pops!

The "in" crowd ... Are you in step with things? Do you go where the action is? Then you're in the "in" crowd.

"In step with what things? What's in step? Go where what action is?"

That all depends on you, babes.

Kids in nursery school that all like to build "real crazy" cathedrals in their sand box - they're in their "in" crowd.

Teenagers with long, wavy hair riding on Hondas to their favorite discotheque - they're in their "in" crowd.

Old-timers of thirty or forty years bending the elbow at their neighbors' basement bar - they're in their "in" crowd.

Those sly ancient codgers of sixty or seventy playing Bingo-or Bongo-at their "groovy" Senior Citizens' Club - they're in their "in" crowd.

Even those termed "out" by "The Ins" are "in" with the "Outs."

One thing common to all hierarchies of "ins" - they're looking for some sort of fulfillment. Sound foggly existential 'a go-go? It is. Everyone, deep inside, needs to be "in". Unfortunately being in as we've been discussing it doesn't always fulfill.

Some things missing.

To be needed satisfies the receiving end of a man's psychology. We often forget to balance the giving end.

Here's where the Venard Chapter of "ins" comes in. Our own brand of "inness" is Christ's "inness," that is, giving love, Christ's love, to the world, bringing all "Ins" and "Outs" "IN."

We can start right now within our own "in" crowd. The guy sitting next to you - Is he on the "In" or "Out" as far as you are concerned? Well for Christ's sake do something about it!

Just because you love to be "in", it doesn't necessarily mean you're in to love.

But it should.

John Boccellari

between the administration and faculty

"But the administration jeopardized the success of the whole project by its abrupt action last month in dismissing about 30 faculty members. This move has already provoked a strike by the UFCT. "

Father Canavan stressed the importance of the term "Catholic university."

Father explained that every Catholic university has a "corporate commitment to the Catholic Faith." If, for instance, a professor in a Catholic university does not wish to teach what is in conjunction with the Catholic Faith, "he should go elsewhere to teach."

This is a key problem between the administration at St. John's. Another major issue involved here is control of academic procedure. The administration has recently granted "primary" control of academic policies to the faculty. The UFCT demanded complete control. Handing over complete control of academic procedure to the faculty,

with no veto power reserved, would not be compatible in a "Catholic university."

As to other Catholic universities, Father Canavan said that he did not think the faculty members would resort to "picket line tactics" simply because of different circumstances involved. Father Canavan did hope, however, that this academic revolution would influence other Catholic universities "not to make the same mistake St. John's did."

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Mission Plans Take Shape

by J. Boccellari

Planning to work with the Venerd's Summer Mission Program? Here are the latest details.

Instead of the faculty organizing the entire program as happened last summer, the students will also participate in the arrangements.

Students who are interested should form into groups of four or five and work out their destination and the weeks during which they wish to work. Father Whelan will write the necessary letters of recommendation which the groups must send with their applications.

Four places are tentatively available thus far.

(1) Harlem, New York City - The work involved here will be chiefly youth recreational work and census work.

(2) Kentucky - In the area of Berea, the summer "missioners" will work with the Christian Appalachian Program, doing mostly agricultural work.

WINTER

A cold body,
A frozen branch of a tree,
The glassy ice on the pond.

by S. Teixeira

Speakers Look To Busy Month

Two league tournaments and a practice debate are scheduled for February. Kingston Catholic High School will host the second debate tournament of the season on Saturday, Feb. 19. Representing the Venerd will be Gerry Connolly and Al Gedicks as affirmative, and Mark Krausz and Bob Mundy as negative.

A Pennsylvania Speech League tournament will be held at Abington Heights High School on Saturday, Feb. 12. The categories include poetry and prose reading; persuasive, informative and extemporaneous speaking.

Two debate teams will be sent to the practice debate at Abington Heights on Wednesday, Feb. 9. The teams include the regular varsity plus Paul Martin and Mike Canavan as affirmative and Adam Kretowicz and Don Lamken debating negative.

In Harlen, Kentucky, they will make bricks, under Father Mallory Duggan, who was pastor in Kiln, Mississippi, last summer.

(3) Mississippi - Kiln will probably be available again this year. The kind of work is not known as yet.

(4) Alabama - Anyone bound for this destination will work at the Negro mission in Birmingham (voter registration, etc.).

Any groups going to Harlen, Kentucky, and Kiln, Mississippi, will need a priest to accompany them. If a group plans to go to either of these places, or wishes to have a priest along for any of the others, they should "scout around" to see which of the faculty or any other priest the group wishes) would like to accompany them. "The faculty will be available on a 'first come, first serve' basis," Father Whelan said.

The 37 students who signed up for the project last month and any others who wish to go should organize their groups and obtain written permission from their parents as soon as possible.

The "missioners" will be expected to pay from one-fourth to one-third of their transportation costs.

23 Prepare For NMST

Twenty-three juniors will compete for the National Merit Scholarships on Tuesday, March 1, 1966.

Participating students compete for the scholarships and also receive a handbook containing useful information for planning their future education. The handbook explains to the student his scores and shows him how he did in comparison to other high school students in the United States.

The National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test lasts three hours and is divided into five sections: English Usage, Mathematics Usage, Social Studies Reading, Natural Sciences Reading, and World Usage. Each test is graded separately to show the participant his strong points and weaknesses and to help him choose his college courses.

Over 280 colleges, business corporations, trusts, and other organizations sponsored scholarships last year through the Merit Program. The scholarships ranged from \$400 to \$6,000 for four years of college.

Juniors Pray In All Tongues

Faeder ure ... Pater noster ... Je vous salue, Marie ... Kaire, Maria ... The juniors pray these prayers at the start of a few of their classes each day.

Father Whelan, who studied Old English, begins his English class with the Our Father, said, obviously enough, in Old English.

Father O'Connor, an avid Cicero fan, wouldn't let a class go by without his Latin students saying the Pater Noster. Father has his students take turns in leading the prayers (with a fringe benefit of erasing the board). Father eyes light up every time the appointed student begins with the Sign of the Cross in Latin. However, half the time the student chickens out and continues in English.

French class sees Father Knipe beginning with the Hail Mary in French. Father is all for having his students speak the language all through class.

The Greek Hail Mary sets the mood for Father Casey's second year Greek class. After the prayer on the first day of classes, one student was heard wittingly remarking, "It's Greek to me!" Boy, we sure have some cool jokes in Greek class.

But no matter how many languages the juniors pray in, they'll always enjoy Father Milroy's algebra class, which begins, not so obviously enough, in English



In 1921 The Field Afar ran an ad that went something like this: "Please supply our society with general purpose cane chairs, the chair that Maryknollers like best." This ad was evidently met with great success because now every Maryknoll house is plagued with an overabundance of all-purpose cane chairs.

Someday in the future The Field Afar might run an ad like this: "Please supply our society with room for the storage of old, general-purpose cane chairs."

Team Slackens In Mid-Season

by M.T. McDonough

Failing to hit a high percentage of field goals, the Venard has slackened after a post-Christmas stomp of St. Basil's 84-65.

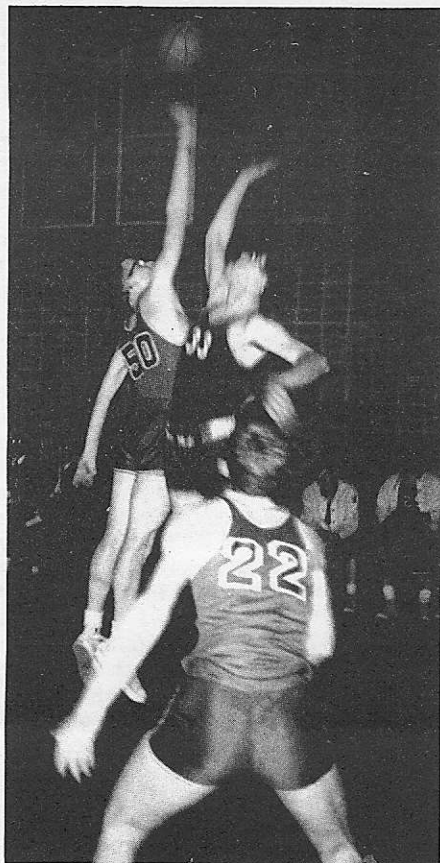
Laurel Hill started the landslide by piling up 116 points to our 75. The only reason for this victory was the low percentage of shot the Knollers hit on. Ten days later St. Pat's glided to an 80-53 victory despite the seminarian's lead in every category except shooting.

In the most recent game, Holy Rosary, powered by Blume, eased to an 85-56 triumph. Slamming in 25 foot jumpers, Blume racked up 27 of the Beads 41 points in the first half.

An undecided first quarter left Holy Rosary with a three point margin. The seminarians' hopes dwindled, though, as Blume pumped in 18 points in the second quarter, pacing the Beads to an 18 point lead at the half. Borer alone sparked a third quarter rally with long set shots, when Blume dropped out of the game with an injured hand.

When Weyland, the Venard's top rebounder, fouled out, though, the sudden spurt fizzled. Blume led all scorers with 34 points, while Borer was high for Maryknoll with 21.

Games in February are scheduled with St. Basil's, Pocono Catholic, Kilroe Seminary, Pius X and the year's classic, Calicoon.



"Tip it, tip it, away!" Nick Weyland, team captain, jumps against Laurel Hill's Bucci in the January 16 game while Tom MacGregor waits for the ball. Nick, top rebounder for the Knollers, clears most centers in jump balls. Venard's Jim Borer was high scorer in this game, hitting 21 points.

Rounding out this survey on the East Coast are John Schloerb, Mac McCormick, Paul Martin, and big Bobby Fedderwitz who is gunning for a 50 goal season in '66. Because of recent trades this year, the Baltimore Clippers sent their goalie Jim Ostendorf and roaming defenseman leaping Larry Blob to the Venard farm system.

Nick Weyland, a promising rookie from Buffalo, will get his start this year at right wing in the Million Dollar Line of Al Jette and John Gaul

The Venard Internationals will be getting more ice time in January through the shortened P.E. program. Although they do not have Bobby Hull who can skate 29.5 miles an hour, or shoot the puck 115 miles per hour, still they promise to swarm Abington High's net the next time they meet them.



by Jim McCormick and Nick Weyland

On the way to the Holy Rosary basketball game last Friday night, Bill Dillon, head cheerleader for the Venard squad, taught the seniors and juniors some cheers for confusing the opponets, such as:

"Oil job, oil job" (clap like mad), etc. - and, "We go, you go, everybody goes to the wine store. I get high, you get low, everybody goes to the wine store. W-i-n-e, wine is good for you and me. (combined clap and stamp)



For the record, Calicoon makes its 1966 debut at the Venard on Feb. 19. We've a big pep-rally planned for the night before, but that won't do the entire trick. We're going to help show the Maryknoll spirit that opponets fear. Agreed?



A few short shorts: Ask John Schloerb about the fun he had last Sunday evening romping in the snow drifts, playing "gorilla warfare."

Congrats to Mike "Don Juan" Canavan on your recent haircut. I hear Brother Fred's ground squad moved in the next day to help clean out the barber shop.

George "Mr. Greenjeans" Tallon and his noble assistant, Ron "The Fuhrer" Renfro, spent their entire semester break filling up a fish tank with water. You should see the water bill!!! They never realized a plate of glass was missing.



Ice hockey was in full swing before the snow came. Every rec period would find the same players on the ice, both faculty and students. There was Father Trettel, still playing as he used to in his prime back in Minnesota. Then there was the "Rocket," - Mon Pere, the flying Frenchman; alias Father Knipe.

The students also held their own games. Most outstanding of the group was Rocky Weinburger, but even he had his own troubles. He broke three hockey sticks and two bones, none of them his own. The other students can't wait for the snow.

Pucks Fly

by T. Weinburger

Although the National Hockey League is composed of 99% Canadians, the Venard has hockey enthusiasts from New York, Buffalo, Detroit, Cleveland, and as far south as Washington D.C.

Three-fourths of the nation's indoor ice skating rinks are located in Michigan, but there are only three amateurs from this area at the Venard who claim to know the game. Bill (Hollywood) Dillon, Rocky (Hot Shot) Weinburger, and Bill (the Moose) Noellert.

Taking the lead in the Midwest area is a full team of Ohioans: Jim Vernarsky, Ed Fantis, Frank Brancato, Rick Kavulic, and Joe Weninger.