

## Three Earn All A Rating

Sister M. Justine announced that 128 students achieved coveted places on the Dean's list at the end of the semester.

These girls really put into use the definition of education which is to discipline the mind through study and instruction.

Albert Edward Wiggins, doctor of psychology, feels that the well educated woman is one who devotes time to study, class, extra-curricular and social activities without detracting time or effort from any one factor. Applying Dr. Wiggins' notion to the students here, it seems that his four factors have been achieved by a number of women early in their education.

The following students were named: These three girls achieved all A records: Josephine Ann Viviano, Nancy Lee Gencur and Lucille Mary Jokubaitis.

**Freshman:** Martha Elizabeth Bell, Gail Mary Bowler, Blanche Mary Chorney, Barbara Louise Curtis, Mary Ann Dolores Gerger, Mary Geraldine Green, Helen Marie Guilery, Carol Ann Hutchison, Adelaide Gertrude Kaiser, Rhea Jeanne Linenberg, Mary Gertrude Miney, Kathleen Suzanne Nilles, Joan Ann Resseguie, Barbara Ann Schneider, Sylvia Lee Speranza, Gloria Frances Steinberg, Mary Ann Stenger, Mary Helena Stone, Barbara Ann Strzelewicz, Joanne Lucille Taroli, Josephine Ann Viviano, Barbara Ann Wronski, Mary Ann Theresa Yantus.

**Sophomores:** Barbara Ann Baker, Katherine Lucille Beck, Audrey Anne Bloy, Nancy Lucille Bolger, Carmen Nelly Cruz, Mary Ann Gardella, Nancy Lee Gencur, Teresa Marie Gostomski, Mary Sharon Greene, Josephine Ann Jokubaitis, Carol Marie Kaiser, Sharon Ann Kcily, Claire Margaret Knopp, Cecilia Ann Maher, Margaret MacCracken, Alice Barbara Malinowski, Rose Marie Matthews, Victoria Ann Mesrey, Janet Monica Nightingale, Thelma Ordonez, Mary Immaculata Powers, Gloria Jean Reo, Anna Mae Clara Savage, Joyce Elaine Shevchik, Sydnee Ione Smith, Rosemary Jean Sullivan, Sister Mary Annrita, RSM.

**Juniors:** Dolores Constance Baker, Maureen Therese Bateman, Mary Margaret DeLisle, Margaret Mary Denomme, Blanche Marie Despres, Rita Felsianos, Mary Louise

Fussman, Mary Joyce Geraci, Marie Leona Glaab DeLangis, Jane Aquin Hunter, Patricia F. Hurlbert, Rosemary Jankowski, Bernadette Frances Janowicz, Janice June Jensen, Dorothy Ann Krajnik, Carol Janet Lesnicki, Mary Jule Maher, Jane Teresa Manning, Helen Veronica Mikusko, Shirley Ann Plamondon, Kay Carolyn Pollock, Gerardine Elizabeth Reddy, Sheila Denise Renier, Joanne Marie Simonin, Suzanne Rita Stockwell, Dolores Pauline Szewski, Shirley Ann Trotter, Sister Mary Ann Elizabeth, RSM, Sister Mary Ann Martin, RSM, Sister Mary Kevin, RSM, Sister Mary Bernadette, RSM, Sister Mary Mercy, RSM, Sister Mary Fidelia, RSM, Sister Mary Canice, RSM.

**Seniors:** Loretta Fredericka Bielecki, Janice Anne Blackburn, Joan Beverly Brede, Pearl Carolyn Cesar, Margaret Mary Colombo, Mary Josephine DeBaene, Mary Ann Ferri, Lucille Mary Jokubaitis, Marycarol Kilduff, Aileen Frances Kuhn, Pauline Maria Lowenhardt, Elizabeth Jane Miller, Amalia Wanda Polanski, Frances Joann Riehl, Helen Jean Rigdon, Marjorie June Robillard, Margarita Santos, Patricia Marie Slowey, Julianna Josephine Swiecki, Dolores Mary Train, Nancy Ann Wasco, Geraldine Gertrude Zawisa, Sister Mary Rene, RSM, Sister Mary Noreen, RSM, Sister Dolores, RSM, Sister Mary Janet, RSM, Sister Mary Terence, RSM, Sister Mary Loretta, RSM, Sister Mary Edana, RSM, Sister Mary Christopher, RSM.

**Unclassified:** Sister Mary Irma, C.S.S.F.

**Freshmen: Diploma in Nursing:** Joan Frances Burton, Joanne Chaplin, Patricia Anna Fairchild, Frances Marie Gerhard, Ruth Ellen Green, Marilyn Elizabeth Krell, Jean Anne Mohan, Annette Marie Quenneville, Theresa Marie Soehnel, Joan Margaret Sweeney, Julianna Marie Walker, Mary Jane Willson.

## Scholarship Drive Begun

A Scholarship Fund drive, sponsored by the Speech and Drama department in collaboration with the Spring musical, began Feb. 24 and will extend to April 18. The purpose of the drive is to finance students of ability who cannot afford their tuition.

Heading the drive is Dr. M. M. Silverman, M. D., faculty member in the Medical Records division, and Sister M. Marguerite, RSM, chairman of the Communication Arts department, assisted by Donatha M. Mainguth, moderator of the Masque Guild.

Student participants are: General chairman, Marianne Jensen; advertising chairman, Janice Jensen; recording chairman, Blanche Despres; printing co-chairmen, Jan Barber and Jane Hunter; ads and patrons co-chairmen, Terry Moore and Cecil Maher; mailing list co-chairmen, Jo Hunter and Jo Jokubaitis; program design co-chairmen, Marion Clement and Mary Maher.

The cost of ads which will be printed in the program book is as follows; full page, \$50; half page, \$25; quarter page, \$15.

The advertisements and patron listings will be subscribed by members of the Masque Guild and all students of Mercy college for prizes. First prize will be a wrist watch; second prize, a portable radio; third prize, a set of jewelry. Those students raising a sum of over \$250 will be in competition.

## Nursing Division Adopts New Pin



The pin for the division of nursing has been officially changed from the Mercy shield to the college coat of arms.

James E. Pierce, Harvard scholar of heraldry, designed the coat of arms.

An open book, the immemorial academic symbol, rests on a black field. The open book has gold edges and inscribed on its pages in black lettering is the motto of Mercy college: Maria, sedes sapientiae (Mary, seat of wisdom) signifying Christian scholarships. The three gold canettes (birds without beaks or feet) are heraldic devices from the coat of arms of the Archdiocese of Detroit. They are originally taken from the shield of Antoine Cadillac who founded Detroit in 1701. The colors, black and gold, are also from the Archdiocesan coat of arms.

Principal use of a chief is to indicate patronage. The chief is therefore red, the principal color of the coat of arms of the Religious Sisters of Mercy. The cross in the center of the chief is also from the Mercy shield. The pattee cross is in silver.

## Pancake Supper

The second annual pancake supper will be an event of Saturday, March 26, in Mercy's social hall. The sophomores will be hostess.

A special event during the evening will be a parcel post sale, sponsored by the Student Association. Helen Mikusko, chairman, describes the sale as "a collection of gifts from all over the world, mailed to the college for the occasion." Mary Kihn is co-chairman.

## Student Association Plans New Fund-Raising Project



Active campaigners in Student Association's postcard for a package project are: (l to r) Mary Kihn, Helen Mikusko and Sydnee Smith. (McNutt Photo)

Our College is having a fund-raising project, And something to sell from afar is our object. Will you send us a package we can sell for a price? It's loads of fun and a little something nice. We'll sell it just as it comes through the mail— That's why it's called a **Parcel Post Sale**. March 26, 1955, we have set as the date. Please send your package so it won't be late. Just address to the name signed— And many thanks for being so kind.

## Stage Plays At Michigan

An unusually receptive audience of 250 people were in attendance at the Lydia Mendelsshon theater in Ann Arbor, Mich., recently, when two medieval plays were presented by Sister Mary Marguerite, RSM.

The plays, *Sapientia* and *Dulcitus*, were written by a German Benedictine nun, Hroswitha, sometime in the 10th century, and were prepared by Sister Marguerite in conjunction with a study in medieval theater history.

The drama *Sapientia* concerned the martyrdom of three holy virgins, Faith, Hope and Charity. The three maidens are put to the torture by the Emperor Hadrian in the presence of their mother, *Sapientia*.

Included in this cast were Donatha Mainguth, Maureen Bateman, Jo Ann Viviano, Joan Resseguie, Anne Marie Baldwin, Ceil Maher, Terry Moore, Janice Jensen, Mary Maher, Marianne Jensen, Kay Knoedler, Barbara Schneider, Geraldine Way.

The second play, *Dulcitus*, also dealt with the martyrdom of three virgins, Agape, Chionia and Irena, who are first questioned concerning their faith by the governor Dulcitus, and finally slain under the direction of Count Sisinnius.

Taking part in this play were Mrs. Mainguth, Maureen Bateman, Ceil Maher, Terry, Janice Jensen, Mary Maher, Marianne Jensen, Kay Knoedler, Barbara Schneider, Geraldine Way and Alice Malinowski.

The cast, crew and assistant production personnel were from the Masque Guild and Campus Players of Mercy college and from the University of Detroit, Wayne University and the University of Michigan.

"It was an interesting experience to see these plays, regarded by many as museum pieces, come alive," said Sister Marguerite. "Many scholars contend that the plays were written to be read, not acted, and it was amazing to see these theories disproved."

## Slate NF Program

Plan to attend the NFCCS orientation program at Mercy April 24 from 1 to 5 p.m. The session is designed particularly for senior and junior delegates and campus chairmen. Details will appear in the April issue.

Mercy's Student association is using this verse to herald its new fund raising project—a Parcel Post sale, to take place on campus during Lent. Mary Kihn and Helen Mikusko, co-chairmen, have worked out the details of this project.

Members of the student body will receive post cards with the verse printed on them. Students are requested to send the cards to friends and relatives in other cities and states. Emphasis should be placed on sending the packages directly to the college and having the locale in which the object was made written under the return address.

When the packages addressed to the student association return to the college, with a souvenir or oddity, they will be priced according to the locale in which they were made.

Sales will be held at various times during Lent to give the student body opportunities to purchase packages. One of the sales will be held at the Sophomore Pancake supper, March 26. A visit to the souvenir department or notion counter of any large store is suggested for whoever may be in doubt about what to send to the sale. Mary Kihn and Helen Mikusko urge the students to be economical, practical, clever and cooperative.

The packages returning to the college will be priced as follows:

State	..... 25
Midwest	..... 35
East	..... 45
Southern	..... 55
West Coast	..... 65
Transcontinental	..... 75

All packages sent to the Parcel Post sale should be addressed as follows:

Student Association  
Mercy College  
8200 W. Outer Drive  
Detroit 19, Michigan

Return address and locale should be clearly marked on each package.

## Bill Ford to Speak Here on March 24

William F. Ford, national president of NFCCS, will speak at an NF convocation at Mercy Thursday, March 24.

Topic of his address will be "The Individual Student and NFCCS." John Gibbons, NFCCS moderator and member of the college philosophy department, will introduce the speaker.

Ford, a senior at John Carroll university, Cleveland, was former president of the Detroit-Cleveland region of NFCCS. His home is in Rockwood, Ill.

## Mercy Holds Own

## Audrey Bloy Wins Election; Succeeds Lucille Jokubaitis

For the second consecutive year, a Mercy student will head the Detroit-Cleveland region of the National Federation of Catholic College students. As a result of an election held Feb. 26 by the regional council at Notre Dame college, Cleveland, Audrey Bloy, sophomore, will succeed Lucille Jokubaitis, senior, as regional president.

Audrey, a Sociology major, served as senior delegate during the past year. She moved up to this post from her position as junior delegate when Marie Delangis, former senior delegate resigned last October.

Although nominated previously by letter for second vice-president, she was nominated from the floor for the president's post by Tom O'Connell, senior delegate from John Carroll university, Cleveland.

Associate editor of *Outer Echoes* and first vice-president of the student council, she is a member of the Sociology, Romance Language, Journalism, and Salmagundi clubs and is a candidate-Socialist.

After graduation, she plans to study at Catholic university and to do case work with juvenile delinquents.

Other regional officers elected at the same meeting were: first vice-president, Claire Forthofer, Mary Manse, Toledo; second vice-president, Mary Hayes, Siena Heights, Adrian; secretary, Jane Stallkamp, Mary Manse; treasurer, Tom O'Connell, John Carroll.

Officers will be officially installed, after orientation to new duties, during a regional meeting Saturday, April 23, at Madonna college, Livonia.

Sharon Green, acting junior delegate, Lucille Jokubaitis and John Gibbons, moderator, also attended the Feb. 26 session.

## Honor Society Accepts Five

Zeta Chapter of Lambda Iota Tau, Mercy college, inducted five new members into the honor society Feb. 27, at 2 p.m., at an initiation meeting in the college social hall.

In order to fulfill requirements for membership, the following candidates read original papers on subjects of literary interest.

Margaret Denomme discussed "The Medieval Concept of Tragedy as Exemplified by King Lear." Blanche Despres discussed "Le Cid," and Sister M. Dolores, "The Figurative Function of Neo-Platonism in the Speech of Ulysses," (Troilus and Cressida).

The topic of Sister Mary Canice's paper, "Tone Poetry," was illustrated by tape recordings of tone poems. Sister M. Kevin supplemented her discussion of "The Art of Kate Greenaway" with drawings enlarged on an opaque projector.

Students who have majored in the humanities and maintained a high scholastic average are eligible for membership in Lambda Iota Tau.

Candidates are sponsored by members of the Mercy college humanities division: Sister M. Inez, chairman, and Dr. A. J. Shelton and Mrs. C. C. Irwin, members of the English department; Sister M. Roberta, chairman of the Romance Language department; and Mr. Benjamin Glicker, chairman of the Art department.

Zeta Chapter is a charter member of LIT, the national literary honors society founded in 1953 by Dr. Warren Fleischauer, a member of the English department at Michigan State college.

# • These Forty Days . . .

In the earliest days of the Church, as Lent began, the Pope went barefoot to the Church of Saint Sabina, a holy martyr beheaded for her faith, "to begin with holy fasts, the exercise of Christian warfare."

Christians guilty of grave faults were clothed in penitential garments and had ashes placed upon their heads, a custom most likely derived from the ancient Jews.

As Adam was banished from Paradise because of his disobedience, sinners were expelled from the house of God to remain outside until Holy Thursday, working out their reconciliation with God by toil and penance and by sacramental confession and absolution. At the end of the 11th century, Pope Urban VI decreed that all the faithful should receive the ashes, and it is a small sign of humiliation today that emphasizes to us that we are to atone for our sins by means of the lenten mortifications.

Lent is popularly considered a time for giving up things. But there must be some logical order in the things we give up.

To begin Lent in the right way, we must give up in the first place, all malice-mortal and venial sin by making a good confession. Then, we go about the task of strengthening the will against relapse by taking on a consistent program of lenten prayer and self-denial. This means daily Mass and if possible Holy Communion, daily rosary, and attendance at lenten devotions.

Other voluntary acts of self-denial can be added according to the measure of our love of God. Such practices as giving up movies, a favorite TV program, tobacco and special dishes will help to atone for the past misuse of God's grace. They will help to eliminate the ingrained human trait of self-indulgence which is the root of all our spiritual trouble. Love of self makes us prefer our will to God's law.

Besides these external penances, we should add at least one internal penance. If you are lacking in patience or are given to pride or tend toward uncharitableness towards someone, resolve to check yourself each day to correct this fault. Choose a time each day when you are going to check yourself on this and stick with it. This can be a real penance.

Lent is a time of "warfare." It is a time of discipline. It should therefore be difficult. But each day of Lent is a time of grace, because, as the soul casts off the things of the world, it can better take on Christ.

Father Bresnahan

# • Dear Freshmen . . .

You've been so wonderful that "thanks" just doesn't seem to cover the subject. And since words won't convey our appreciation, maybe actions will. We want you to know that we're behind your Big Sister program all the way. We'll back you to the nth degree.

When we first conceived the notion of such a program, we never realized it would be handled so capably and enthusiastically. We knew for certain that it was too big a job for *Outer Echoes* or the Journalism club to handle. Formulating the idea is one thing; carrying it out is another matter. As it was, two years elapsed between the birth of the program and its development. But you took our retarded brain-child and revitalized it. We haven't any doubts that the program is now on the road to success.

Next year will tell the tale of success or failure. Personally, we can't see how it can miss if your future work is patterned after that of these past months.

We would like to dedicate formally the first issue of *Outer Echoes* each year to the incoming Little Sisters. This is one small way by which we can show our appreciation.

Moreover, we're asking every student and faculty member to offer what help he or she can toward making this Big Sister program the best of its kind.

Though it's an overworked expression, we really mean it when we say "thanks." You've been great.

The staff

# 'Take Three, They're Good'

Autobiography doesn't particularly appeal to the modern reader, but here's one that has all the elements of an exciting novel.

I'll Cry Tomorrow, the life of Lillian Roth, is familiar to most TV listeners. Her story has been presented at least twice on "This Is Your Life." In addition several newspapers around the country carried the story in daily installments.

The first hand, unabridged account of one who went from the heights of success to the depths of failure because she had no purpose in life is worth hours of reading and reflection.

Miss Roth makes no effort to paint a sympathetic picture of her fight to conquer alcoholism and insanity.

Her descriptions are real, frank and ominous. A lesson is taught with every word of shameful detail.

Mary Ellen Chase has never written a more appealing or more true book than *The White Gate*. The white gate around which she centers its chapters is the symbol to a child of all life holds of excitement and wonder.

Within the gate are its certainties: an old house in Maine, a country family, a great, warm kitchen with red geraniums in its windows, books, a flock of pigeons in the barn loft.

Without the gate is a world of wonder and surprise: strangers on the country road; boats in the harbor; upland pastures; neighbors and odd relatives; Maine weather half a century ago.

Here is life as it is suddenly or slowly revealed to a child; here are captured and recorded those impressions, those meanings within human experience, which, once even dimly understood in childhood, make the mature imagination rich and rewarding.

*The White Gate* is surprising in its re-creation of times too little remembered, whimsical in its humor and wise in its understanding.

Miss Chase in her preface to the reader says that her purpose in writing her book was "to recapture those vivid impressions, those glimpses of reality and perceptions of wisdom which in the life of a child are like the flashes of fireflies in the darkness."

The child is herself from nine to twelve years old; the place is the Maine seacoast village of Blue Hill; the time is the last years of the past century; the atmosphere, a mingled one of laughter and tears.

In these pages are all of us as we once were, regardless of our time and place.

Anna Perrott Rose's *Room for One More*, published in 1950, sold over 18,000 copies in the regular edition and was a Family Reading club selection.

That book dealt with the experiences of herself and her husband in casually adding to their family (they had three children of their own) three underprivileged children, and their success in changing them from potential delinquents to happy and successful people.

Her new book, *The Gentle House*, deals with a similar theme but describes an even more remarkable experience.

Since *Room for One More* was written, the author's husband died, her children have grown up, and she has been teaching school to keep occupied.

Into her classroom one day was thrust a Latvian boy of eleven whose parents were dead, who had been bombed out of an orphanage in Latvia by the Russians, and who had barely kept alive in one D.P. camp after another until he was brought to America after the war. He was so emotionally scarred that the foster family with whom he was placed found him impossible to handle.

The author took him in and through patience, love and understanding gradually restored him to mental health and happiness.

This is an account told simply, sometimes humorously, never sentimentally, of how she did it.

The problem was far greater than any she had faced before.

Physical violence, ingrained bitterness, even fears of insanity all came into the picture.

(Ed. Note: Beginning with this issue, the book review column will be written by members of Lambda Iota Tau, national literary honor society.)

# Klub Korner

By Jane Hunter

Lots of new and exciting things scheduled for 1955! So reveals the activities' schedule for this particular time of the year.

SALMAGUNDI members resumed bowling after exams and retreat, and will continue bettering their averages 'til April, when the club will officially stamp "closed" on the bowling season.

Mount Carmel was the basketball team's first opponent in a close game the first part of February. Salmagundi claimed the victory, however, and members hope to sport a good season, which will terminate in late March after a conflict with Providence hospital.

Whether March ends like a lion or a lamb, those on the volleyball team will be roaring through their tournament.

THE annual Salmagundi Splash party was an event of Feb. 14 at the Women's City club.

HOUSE COUNCIL president Helen Mikusko was quite enthusiastic about the spirit maintained by resident students throughout the retreat. She remarked how much inspiration was reflected by the keeping of silence, even during recreation periods!

Those 'Rose Pals' the dorm students have still remain a deep, dark secret—even to the recipients! The month of February, being a popular birthday month at the dorm, has found even the 'Rose Pals' secretly celebrating!

HOME ARTS CLUB members enjoyed movies at their February meeting. Quite a diversion from parliamentary procedure!

According to Dee Corrigan, manager of the coffee shop, it is still 'perking' at full speed. Throughout the second semester, the same hours as before will be maintained.

The SOCIOLOGY CLUB has appealed for girls to do social service work from now till June. This all stems from an effort to raise social work on Mercy's campus to an all-time high. "Quality, rather than quantity, still prevails," reported Dorothy Krajnik, one of the divisional chairmen.

Gloria Steinberg, in charge of the 'Old Hat' drive, announced that the collection will be extended into Lent. This gives still more people a good chance to dispose of that hat—!

The February meeting of the STUDENT COUNCIL was cancelled, but STUDENT ASSOCIATION president Nancy Wasco already is reminding the student body to save pennies and dollars. They all will help even up the bulge between the 'eyes and the pocket' when new blazers, emblems and shirts go on display in March.

I haven't heard how the driving course is progressing except that there hasn't been any 'behind the wheel' work yet. Patience, driving enthusiasts!

February is the month SIGMA TAU DELTA members have been anticipating, reported president Shirley Plamondon. Plans have been concluded for a tour through the Parke-Davis laboratories. The trip is scheduled soon, and will be a boon for chemistry majors!

The Mardi Gras is over! Balloons, confetti, and costumes all added to the gaiety of the February evening.

# Jerrie Kistler Describes More About Japanese Life

Dear Mercians,

You will probably think that all I do is travel. But I really teach five days a week and make the most of holidays and weekends.

My last big vacation was at Christmas. Some friends and I drove from Sendai south to Nagoya. Actually, in the states, that trip would be a very common one, but here in Japan 1200 miles is quite a feat.

The roads here are like none I have ever seen. But the country views were payment enough, and we forgot the discomfort caused by the "highway." After four days travel, we finally covered the 600 miles.

We spent two wonderful days at Nara. It is a lovely city and very famous for its many tame deer. Here, too, we toured through the temples. The five and three-storied pagodas never cease to fascinate me.

At Kyoto, we were fortunate in getting on two Special Service Army tours. With these tours we saw craftsmen working at block printing, cloisinne, lacquer, and damas-

not to mention Queen Cecilia and her ladies-in-waiting. A dance to be proud of, ROMANCE LANGUAGE CLUB.

SENIOR CLASS officers are surrounded with sample invitations, cards, etc.—all part of the thrill of graduating! While in the process of making selections, pictures also are starting to come in! President Lucille Jokubaitis reports that tentative plans finally have begun for graduation week.

According to JUNIOR CLASS president Jo Hunter, committees will soon be completed for the annual J-Prom, to be held May 20. Chairmen will go into full swing, come March.

Don't fill up those Saturdays in March, because there's a pancake supper in the planning. SOPHOMORE CLASS president Mary Ann Gardella announced that the annual affair is in the final plotting stages.

FRESHMAN CLASS president Gerry Way has announced full cooperation from her fellow classmates regarding the adoption of the Big Sister program on campus. Lots of favorable example can be found among THETA ALPHA CHI members, who, in a candlelight ceremony for the installation of new members recently, also accepted little sisters. "It's really working out nicely," reported recording secretary Carol Kaiser.

How about that 'Valentine treat' raffle sponsored by the MASQUE GUILD on February 14? Some of the faculty members must have close competition, trying to keep divisional lines between baking and teaching!

On Valentine's day, the Salmagundi club held their annual splash party. As in years previous, the scene of the aqua frolic was the Women's City club pool in downtown Detroit.

Entertainment was impromptu and from eight to ten p.m. that evening the girls swam, dove, dunked, splashed and generally enjoyed themselves.

Among those who got in the swim were Nancy Cupp, Eileen Rivard, Nancy Rost, Barb Schneider, Marty Bell, Sydney Smith, Pat Wattson, Cathy Donegan, Charlotte Carley, Claire Knopp, Helen Rigdon, Mary Powers, Theresa Kufta, Carol Keifer, Carol Kaiser, Gerry Way and Mary Ann Voyt.

Co-chairmen for the event were Eileen Rivard and Dorothy Krajnik.

More news next time, but just a concluding reminder . . . Give this second semester a chance to show itself before jumping to rash conclusions about your courses and such. And give your reporter a break by getting your club news in on time!

# Miss Greene Named NF Senior Delegate

By special action of the Student Council, Sharon Greene, sophomore, was named to fill the unexpired term of Audrey Elloy, regional president-elect, as NFCCS senior delegate and first vice president of the student council.

Sharon has been acting as junior delegate since the resignation of Marie DeLangis in October.

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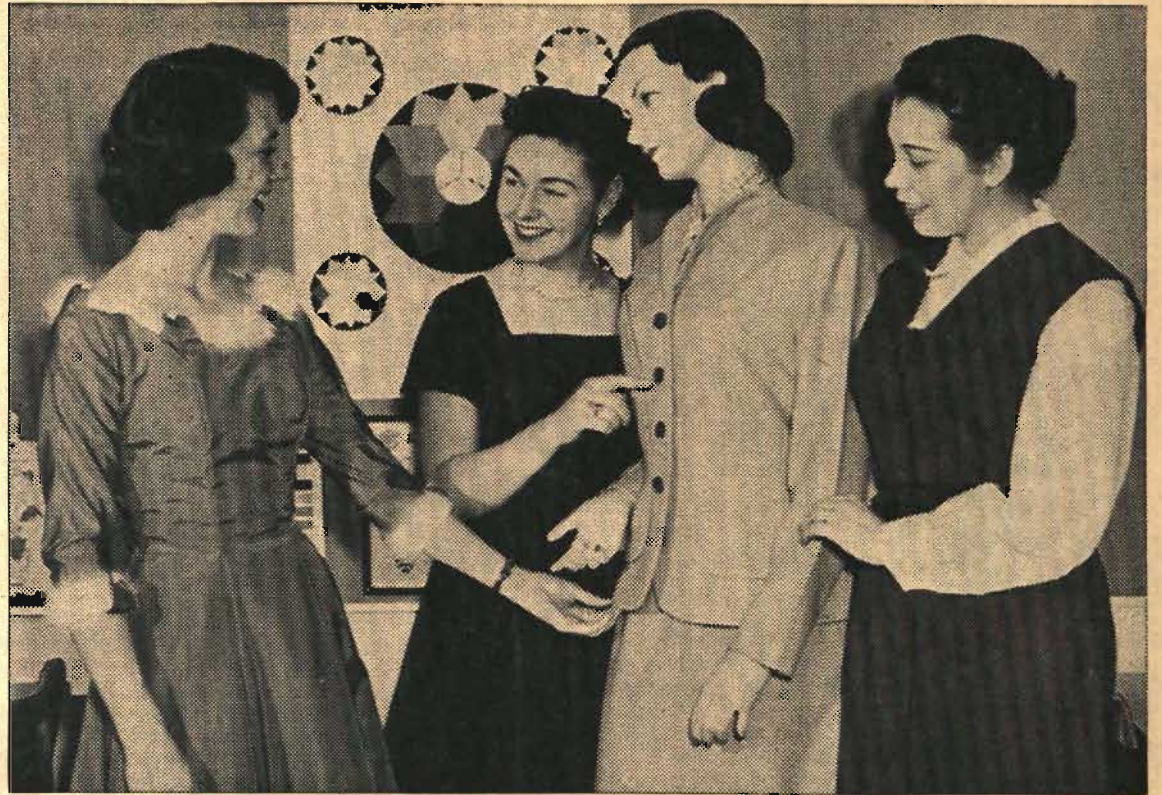
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# Mercians Model "Originals" at Home Economists' Meeting



The camera caught Marianne Jensen, junior, just as she was giving her red taffeta, angora trimmed dress a final check before modeling it for home economists who convened at Mercy Feb. 26 to discuss "Management for Moderns." Marianne completed her frock under the direction of Sr. M. Celeste, R. S. M., home ec instructor. (McNutt Photo)



Busy home ec students discuss a suit worn by their "favorite dummy," Miss Susan, and show off their own creations made in clothing courses. Marianne Jensen (l. to r.), Sharon Kelly and Thelma Ordenez wear ensembles they modeled at a state home economics meeting held Feb. 26 at Mercy. (McNutt Photo)

## Blind Third Grader Exhibits Skill For Sociology Class

By Jane Hunter

Eight-year-old Kathy Mosier is a typical third grader, and does just about what people expect of youngsters her age. Kathy reads, writes, plays, sings, rides her bicycle, and does just about anything third graders do.

One day recently, OE editor Marge Denomme and I invited Kathy, who is Marge's cousin, to visit a sociology class on campus.

So Kathy came to see us. The only thing lacking in her visit was the fact that she didn't see us at all. Kathy is blind.

Kathy has mastered the braille system, so when she enabled the class to relive a story about a beaver and his puppy friend, they marveled more at Kathy's delivery than at the actual story.

Kathy also did a few arithmetic problems and even wrote her name and the alphabet on her braille writer.

All her arithmetic problems are solved by using cubes which have the raised dot typical of the braille system on each side. The numbers 0 to 9 are obtained from this one cube. Depending on the position of the cube, three different numbers may be obtained on one side.

When she goes into the fourth grade next year, Kathy will learn to use a regular typewriter. Eventually she will go into regular classes, taking notes with her stylus and transposing her work on the typewriter.

Also, Kathy's mother has promised to let her begin piano lessons before spring.

After her class demonstration, Kathy visited the Perk. As she downed a sundae with complete confidence, she decided, 'Mercy college is awfully nice. I'm going to have to come with Margie again.'

## Interested Girls Offered Positions

Are you interested in a summer job with a future? Do you like to help people learn and live happily together? Do you want to gain new interests and new friends- If these are your aims, you're in demand as a camp counselor. They want you this summer!

A typical girls' camp is Camp Metamora, a metropolitan Detroit Girl Scout camp located at Metamora, Mich., about 55 miles north of Detroit in the rolling hills and lake country of Michigan.

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## Alum News

By Betsy Klein

Following Mass on Sunday, Feb. 20 was a buffet style Communion breakfast, part of the alumnae meeting. Guest speaker at the event was Father Arthur Carey. The entire meeting was planned by chairman Joan Miney Delozier.

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The Endowment Fund drive is going along successfully. Have you received your memo-notebook yet?

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Joanne Campbell is chairman of the communications committee for the alumnae. If you have any information you wish to have passed on to other members of this committee, send it to Joanne or directly to Mercy college.

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Wedding bells rang for Patricia Kane and William G. Millman on Jan. 29. They now reside in Flint, Mich.

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Sally Marie Owen entered the United States Navy.

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Margaret Costa, now Mrs. Charles Burnham, moved to 6920 Sheridan, Minneapolis 3, Minnesota. She would appreciate hearing from some of her classmates.

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The new address list is up to date. If you would like one, it may be obtained from the Alumnae office. If you have recently changed your address, send it in, too.

## Mercy Hosts Dignitaries For Management Program

Greetings were extended by Sister M. Lucille, RSM, to homemaking teachers from region one and two of the Michigan Home Economic association, convening at Mercy college, Feb. 26.

Theme of the conference was "Management for Moderns." Present at the general session in McAuley auditorium were several distinguished persons: Dr. Irma Gross, head of home management and child development at Michigan State college; Dr. Mary Hurt, head of home education at Michigan State college, and the guest of honor, Mrs. Rex Todd Withers, chief of vocational education in Michigan.

Main speaker was Dr. Kathryn Feyereisen, head of Mercy's education department.

Immediately following the conference at McAuley, luncheon was served in the Social hall by Sister M. Jeanne and girls from O. L. M.'s homemaking program.

Dr. Hurt presided at the luncheon meeting during which a fashion show was presented. Clothes modeled were created by Mercy students in Home Economics.

Displaying fashion's latest were Dolores Geisler, Aileen Kuhn, Marie DeLangis, Thelma Ordenez, Margie Denomme, Sharon Kelly, Marianne Jensen, Loretta Bielecki, Jean Graf, Bernadette Rooney, Mary Joyce Penalta, Dorothy Krajnik, Peggy Finnegan, Anne Marie Baldwin, Jane Hunter, Blanche Despres and Barbara Leidlein.

Raffle winners were announced: Martha Bell, first prize; Sharon Kelly, second prize; Gerry Geinhardt, third prize; Anna Mae Savage, fourth prize.

Mary Powers and Pat Wattson, president and chairman respectively, agreed, "the ceremony was very impressive."

## Education Chairman On State Committee

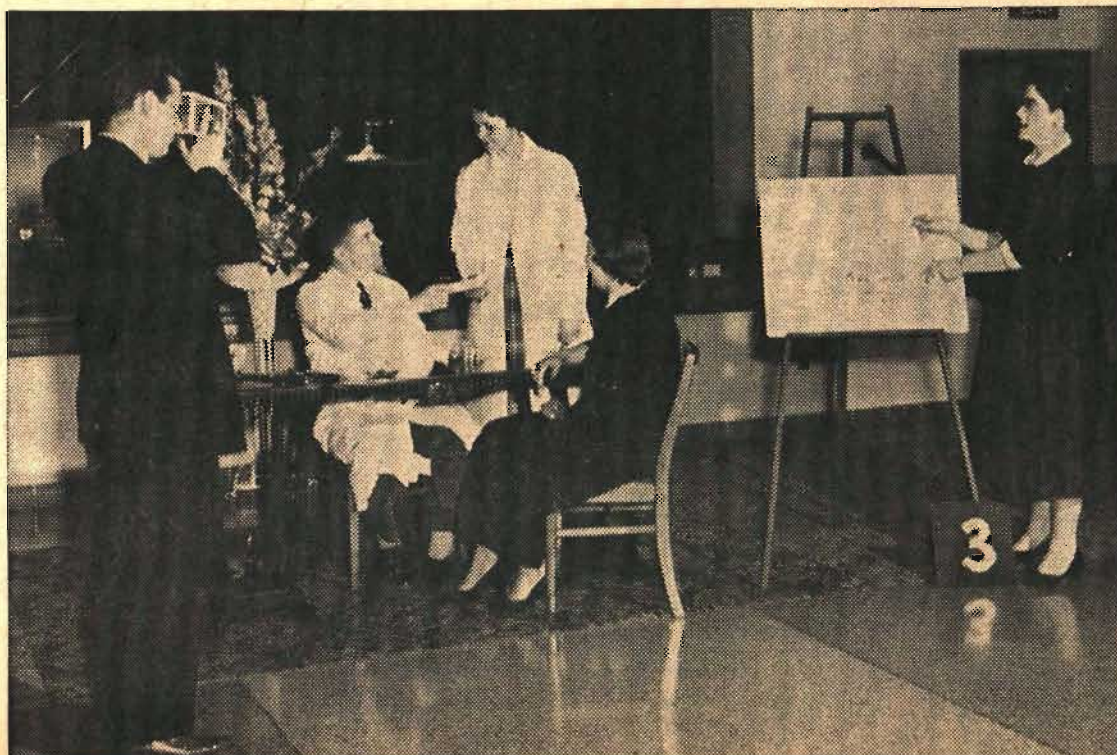
Through the efforts of Sister M. Lucille, Dr. Kathryn Feyereisen has been appointed a member of the state committee of the White House Conference on Education.

The general purpose of this committee is to observe changes in state education and to report on them at the national conference held in Washington.

Object of the White House conference is 1) to define educational problems; 2) to call attention to the major educational needs of public and private schools in the states.

Dr. Feyereisen stated: "It is important to have representatives from private and Catholic schools as well as from public institutions on the committee."

## Faculty Meeting Features Previews of TV Series



Mr. Austin J. Shelton, English instructor, plays cameraman in the mock television presentation of "A Day in the Hospital." Doctor John M. Malone, M.D. and "nurse" Gerri Way extend their sympathy

to Mrs. Foley, played by Alice Malinowski, who has just learned she has a hemoglobin deficiency. Standing by to cue talent and flip title cards is floor manager, Mary Jo Hunter. (McNutt photo).

Faculty and students played "let's pretend" television at the monthly faculty meeting held Monday, Feb. 28. Each division prepared a possible series of television programs relating to its particular phase of education. One of each series was presented.

This movement is part of a new program series to be sponsored by eighteen institutions in the area, over Channel 56, the educational television station in Detroit.

Chairman of the event, Mrs. Donatha Mainguth, Mercy's television coordinator, explained that each division at the meeting would be allowed a five minute period in which to present a preview of a possible TV series.

The division of nursing first presented a show on hospital education called "A Day in the Hospital." The scene depicted the relationship between the doctor and his patient and the value of an annual physical examination.

Medical Technology department offered a possible lecture series. Sister Marie Bernard, RSM, in charge of the division, explained that she would provide a number of lectures pertaining to an explanation of the medical records' department in every hospital.

The English department prepared a folk ballad series. The ballad, "Lord Randall," was sung by Janice Jensen. A student teacher discussion (Continued on Page 4)

## Ceil O'Connor Voted Queen Of Annual Mardi Gras Ball



CEIL O'CONNOR

Pretty Ceil O'Conner reigned over Mercy's seventh annual Mardi Gras, held Feb. 11 in the college social hall.

In keeping with the theme, "Soiree at Antoine's," which the Romance Language club, sponsors of the affair, had chosen, the social hall was tinged with a New Orleans French Quarter cafe atmosphere.

Josephine Jokubaitis, president of the Romance Language club, crowned Ceil after she and her court made their appearance accompanied by a fanfare of trumpets and drums.

First lady of the court was petite Carol Kaiser who wore a white taffeta, ballerina length formal trimmed with pink lace and white nylon net. Her escort was John Rennell.

Mary Ellen Towle, second lady of the court, in pink taffeta and black velvet, swished in on the arm of Tony Viola; while the fourth lady of the court, Jane Hunter, wore lavender and blue taffeta and was escorted by Roger Bedies.

Red lace over taffeta was the choice of Lois Else, third lady of the court. Alice Reban, fifth lady, wore a ballerina length pink taffeta. Their escorts were Jake Mooney and Thomas Sheehan, respectively.

Sixth lady of the court, Mary Ann Ferri, wore aqua nylon chiffon. She was escorted by Johnny Raley.

Seventh lady of the court, Dee Corrigan, in iridescent green taffeta, was escorted by Hilary Timmas.

Ceil wore a white taffeta and net, ballerina length formal. Her escort was Tony Bustamante, a mechanical drafting student at the University of Detroit.

### Television

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of the selection followed. Participating were Mr. A. J. Shelton, Alice Malinowski, Gloria Reo and Margie Denomme.

Dr. Dora Gunderson's program for the social science was presented by the home economics' department under the direction of Sister M. Celeste, RSM. Participating in a home management discussion were Ann Zerillo, Helen Mikusko and Barbara Wronski.

Mr. John Gibbons, working with Father Thomas Bresnahan in the fields of philosophy and religion, featured a discussion on Catholic liturgy.

Representing the natural science division of Mercy, Miss Evelyn Powell explained the value of such drugs as penicillin in the "Magic Microbe."

The Education Department offered a pantomime of the record Peter and the Wolf as an example of a possible series on drama in the classroom.

Sisters M. Inez, Leila, Marguerite and Lucille took turns playing cameramen as did Mr. Walter Thompson and Mr. A. J. Shelton.

A special guest for the afternoon was Miss Hilary Whittaker, continuity supervisor of Wayne University's television department.

Mary Jo Hunter acted as floor manager and Betsy Klein as announcer.

## Frosh Inaugurate "Sister" Program

By Joan Taroli

**WANTED:** A big sister for a disheartened, confused new student.

The class of '58 is going to answer that want ad for the new students of next year and start the ball rolling for future years.

As the motion "to adopt the big sister policy" was put to a vote, the "ayes" rang out overwhelmingly in the freshman class. Next on the agenda then was to get each girl's view on what the big sister program would entail.

The objectives were stated and thoroughly discussed, and the conclusions were as follows: it was agreed to welcome the little sister and help her make a satisfactory adjustment in her second home—her Alma Mater—so that she can become firmly established both academically and organizationally. In accordance with this and to start the year off with a bang, a few of the big sisters will be present for Freshman Orienta-week. They will plan a Welcome Tea for the first week of school so that big and little sisters can become acquainted.

Other projects and socials throughout the year as well as a definite plan for the Big Sister program will be drawn up by a committee of six girls. It will be presented to the Student Association members and then to the student body at a future convocation.

A big sister, as the name denotes, should be someone to admire and respect. She is not expected to do homework for the little sister or constantly be her companion; she should be a friend in need and a confidante to her little sister.

Even when college daze and days are over, the friendship between big and little sister need not be dissolved.

The freshmen earnestly hope the Big Sister program, initiated with their class, will become one of the wonderful traditions of Mercy college.

## NFCCS Receives Indulgence Grant

Monsignor Joseph E. Schieder, national director of the National Federation of Catholic College students, recently announced that the opportunity of gaining special indulgences had been granted to the National Council of Catholic youth, of which NFCCS is a member.

Monsignor Schieder stated, "This is a remarkable and historic recognition by the Holy See itself of a most modern and effective form of Catholic youth organization."

Formerly, the only means of granting such indulgences to students in Catholic colleges was through the Sodality which necessarily has a restricted membership.

Now, since each student is a member of NFCCS, she may gain plenary indulgences at least 20 times a year. Partial indulgences of 300 days may be gained by any member who performs, with at least a contrite heart, an act of piety or charity directed toward the NFCCS council.

A list of the days on which plenary indulgences may be granted will be posted on the NFCCS bulletin board.

## More About Japan

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We found many Buddhist statues along the roadside. Each statue had several bibs around its neck. The Japanese believe that if a bib is borrowed from the statue and kept close by the pillow of a sick child, the child will be cured. In thanksgiving, a new bib is offered with the old one.

Another interesting sight is the Kami-Shibai or paper play. The operator carries all of his theatrical equipment on a bicycle. This equipment consists of a box of pictures and another box of sweets. The children gather around him to purchase these sweets. For just a few yen, they get candy and a picture show. Each story must pass the censorship of the Education ministry so most of the stories have instructive value. The Kami-Shibai is going great social work among the children of the lower classes.

So much for the Kami-Shibai, but not for Japan.

Sayonara, "Jerrie" Kistler

(Ed. note: Miss Kistler graduated from Mercy last June and is teaching in Japan in the service of the United States Government. She has been very gracious in letting her old classmates have the inside story on a teacher's life in Japan. We hope you find her comments as interesting as we do.)

## Mercy Beats Mt. Carmel 19-17 in Basketball Opener

By Mary Kihn

Feb. 2, Mercy's basketball team played host to Mt. Carmel's team at OLM gym for the first game of the season.

Mercy scored the first basket, but this early lead was short-lived because Mt. Carmel pulled ahead and was leading at the end of the first quarter.

Mercy had the margin of victory going into the second half and was leading by a score of 18-11 near the end of the third quarter. Mt. Carmel narrowed Mercy's lead down to a bare two points in closing minutes of the final quarter but Mercy held on and won by a score of 19-17.

Nancy Gee, a junior degree student from the hospital, returned to score more than half of Mercy's points and her steady play was a main factor in the college's victory.

Kay Knoedler, freshman guard, proved to be more than equal to the play of Mt. Carmel's forwards, strengthening defensive attack.

Now that term papers have been handed in, exams are finished and a retreat has been made, Salmagundi members have once more resumed weekly bowling. By April 11, when they got their gutter balls away for the season, there should be some top kegglers in the club.

## Anthony Marlowe To Direct Chorus

Anthony Marlowe, internationally acclaimed tenor, is the newest member of Mercy's faculty. Mr. Marlowe, who made his opera debut at the age of 17, is now directing the college glee club.

Opera houses in Europe, South America, New York, Chicago and San Francisco have featured his tenor voice.

Mr. Marlowe appeared in leading roles for six seasons at the Metropolitan Opera company of New York and has just returned from England where he completed a three year engagement with the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London.

After his successful engagements in Europe, Mr. Marlowe decided to teach others the skills he had learned in performing in over 100 operas.

He is now co-operating with the Detroit Institute of Musical Art in an opera workshop.

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