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Forum. Accepting members are Jerome Byrne, chairman, and

Nursing and will be accom­

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Mercy Central School of

Frosh Dance Christens

Post-Lenten Season

Bright and shining - interior of new college field house

Athletic Squads Unveil

Long Awaited Gym

The long awaited "new" gymnastic has at last come into a semblance of use, but when the rest of the gym will be ready is anybody's guess. Slowly down by rising costs and dilatory labor, revenue of 30 students in- progress has proceeded tortoise- like.

At present the second floor is practically completed, and is being used for baseball and tennis practice. It consists of a gymnasium, about 80x50, adequate for volleyball, badminton and even tennis, and possibly for small class dances or mixers.

The first floor, on the other hand, especially built for women's showers and locker rooms, an office, and a billiard room. The building will be opened for the use of the entire stude­

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**Double-play Halts Reds**

**America Faces Crossroads**

By Charles L. Chopp

Early in World War I, the United States Navy conducted a series of tests with the atomic bomb. This was the first of a series of "Operation Crossroads," claiming to test the potential of nuclear weapons. This series reached a crescendo, a decision point.

Thursday, March 13, 1947, was declared an important decision point. President Truman's courageous speech has been heralded as one of the great "Operation Crossroads" of contemporary American history.

Failure to aid both the Greeks and the Turks was a certainty. If the curtain was being run down on the prop­osition of a "New Deal" foreign policy, the drama produced and directed by the Republican Party was to be seen. The informed and material can prevent Stalin from ever completing that play.

Easter, 1947, the secretary of labor called for the formal recognition of the Communist party. After years of inquisitorial dawdling, the U. S. government is beginning to act. First the president realized that the Red Sun was shining on far too many lands in Europe. An important public official woke up to the fact that the American policy of democracy to a foreign controlled mi­nistry with the assumption of that same democracy as its goal.

Truly then the United States is in a new era called "Operation Cross­roads." On the march throughout the world, the United States has at last been openly challenged. The United States has said NO to its former collaborators and has taken the first steps to put out its brutalities in the world environment. This "Crossroads" period will prove to be extremely trying and dangerous. The nation, amidst the old­school isolationists, the peace at any price people, the rising menacing forces, and lurking in the back­ground the Red party sympathizers will do all in their power to thwart the decision to aid the Communist menace.

Cries of "war danger" have al­ready been heard; the Congress on "Infringement of the Bill of Rights"

**Palestine Mess**

**Brews Trouble**

By Jerome G. Byrne

The unreality and perhaps duplicity of American foreign policy is aptly demonstrated by the non-occurrence of little regard for the facts of the situation, on the other hand, the complaints side with the Zionist movement on the question of the region this for Jew­ish colonization.

Yet, at the same time, we are as­suming the kings of Saudi Arabia or what America will do nothing to upset the status quo of the Middle East. It is significant, as Secretary Bevin pointed, the British government, urging the immigration of 100,000 dis­placed persons into Palestine just previously to the last congressional election.

We are led to believe through pro­Zionist organs that Palestine belongs by right to the Jews. This is historically accurate. But in the midst of this we are losing the power of the nation in this world, unless we do not believe to those poor, humbled masses.

The British government is trying to present a united front in Palestine. It is the middle-man between two oppos­ing sides. The British are in Palestine. They are preserving our life-line as well as their own. They are certain to come for us, but in our desperate Democrats Hebrew state are irre­versibly joined. They are not only a na­tion up to the task of empire. We are asked to take over every day. It is an expensive task, but global strat­egy in the future will depend on power politics now.

**Look Magazine Draws Boycott**

Incredibly striking at the very roots of the American nation which are the families of the country, Look magazine is the glaring example of the current attack on the April 1 issue, advocated by the National Right­eous Federation of America.

With the coverage and support given to the article, the Regional office of the literary and magazine department, the Detroit junction, the Herald talked to an assistant censor who advised and urged the Grand Rapids Catholics to boycott Look magazine pending more deci­sive action of the committee for clean literature currently studying the case in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The Herald further urged the Herald to publicize the Look incident.

The Art Editor Gene Le May

Mr. Think Nails Three Strikeouts

Like a rookie up too soon from the minor or bush leagues, the majority of the student body, struck out when the big league pitcher bore down seriously. Swingmg one like an old, rusty gate, most of the student body clapped on the magazine in the near future.

The Aquinas Herald strongly urges all Catholics to refrain from subscribing to or selling copies of the Look magazine pending official church action. A nation­wise boycott of all Catholics belonging to the Church of the United States has been organized. This journey I have is strange.

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Cold !!!
Little America, Aquinas Division

By Robert McKenna

Jordan Hall is a term synonymous with a kind of unorthodox igloo encompassing within its walls a collection of archaic, but at the same time, a vital part of the Aquinas Library, known as the Catholic Library Association, which has been a unit of the Catholic Library Association for 150 years. The C.L.A. includes not only libraries but also individual members who are interested in the study of religious and historical literature. The C.L.A. was established in 1848 by the Jesuits to promote the study of religious and historical literature. The C.L.A. has been a valued resource for students and scholars alike, providing access to a vast collection of religious and historical materials.

Though, "The Doer, Richard," "Managua, Nicaragua," and others of their ilk seem to be getting all the play at present, there are some pretty good records out, if you look long enough, far enough, far enough, and in the right places.

Of all the many versions of the "Anniversary Song," Tex Beneke's is our bid for top spot. There's a fine vocal by Garry Stevens, with an unusual arrangement to back him up. The reverse is "Hoodie-Addle"—we'll say no more. Another recording due to our kitty is "Hunting of Angels" and "It Might Have Been a Different Story." Both have familiar, Miller-like arrangements that give a couple of "just fast" illusions of grandeur. If Beneke keeps going like that, he'll soon be back in the pre-war era slot at the top of the heap.

We hate to relate, but our boy Stanley Keaton has finally come and done it. He's turned out a waxing that, confidentially—so good. "His Feet Too Big for De Red" is an attempt to put the Calypso singing style into an instrumental part, but it just doesn't come off. On the flip-over we find "After You"—strictly commercial and strictly N.O.S.

Best Instrumental of Late — Milnes — Herbie Fields, "Kinky Benny."

Don't like to end on a sad note, but the Columbia record of "Ko-leb" and "You'll Never Know," marks the passing of a kind of era. Not that the latter record doesn't sound too bad, but it is obvious that they have much more to do, much more. Another Beneke disc to our liking is "Speaking of Kingsley." He's turned that in a trumpet for a chunk of plumbing. Remembering some of the old James Jordan Hall is a term synonymous with the excellence in the faculty and students.

The Aquinas Glee Club will assist Chairman Tony Brink, $10; Anthony Budd, $9; Raymond Lynch, $8; Alice Connely, $5; and Mrs. R. H. Johnston, $7; White and White Fr. Edward Eaklely, Mr. C. Arthur Wroooth, J. L. Hanssone, and Mr. John诞、Mr. James Mallon, and Mr. May cuddles, and various impressive portraits of all manner of people.

Thomist Fund Grows
The latest contributors for the Thomist fund are: Arrows Australia, $25; Dr. Donald Y. Murray, $20; John Yancey, $10, Anthony Budd, $9; Raymond Lynch, $8; Alice Connely, $5; and Mrs. R. H. Johnston, $7; White and White Fr. Edward Eaklely, Mr. C. Arthur Wroooth, J. L. Hanssone, and Mr. John诞、Mr. James Mallon, and Mr. May cuddles, and various impressive portraits of all manner of people.

This writer, who says it shouldn't have any future, has been persistent but from a different viewpoint. It might be more appropriate to look at the situation, a large number of people being interested in the Thomist movement, and to consider the opportunity to support this movement by giving what one can afford. The Thomist movement is an important and growing force in the world of ideas, and it deserves support from those who value its contributions to the understanding of Thomistic principles and their application to contemporary issues.

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Sports Spring

(Continued from Page 1)
Bob McDonough, Warren Eardley, Lou McNamara, Jerry Hadsho, Tom Farrel, Charlie Siegel, Vince Anderson, Mardy Black, and the brothers Laidlaw. The first three were members of last season's winless crew, and all the others came to Aquinas with previous experience.

The Rev. B. C. Fay, O. P., who is directing the golf team, reports that nearly 30 students have applied for team membership. Several of the applicants, including Joe Stakowski, Bob Berles, Hank Toczydlowski, and Jerry Byrnes, are rumored to shoot championship golf, and Fr. Fay is expecting great things from them.

The selection of the team from the list of aspirants will be delayed until the weather allows the candidates to play off in their qualifying rounds, at which time the team members will be selected of individual scores in competitive play.

There may be a few additions to the golf schedule if suggested three-way matches with Michigan State and Marquette, and with Calvin and Junior College, come off.

Cagers End Poor Year
Gained One Victory In Eighteen Starts

The Tommies' first post-war basketball season has been completed, much to the relief of all concerned.

Their record, which compares favorably with that of the University of Chicago in its last season of competition, is not too impressive with what only one victory in 18 games. However, no one can accuse the athletic department of scheduling "breakers" as many schools have done!

There are many reasons for the poor showing of the Aquinas quintet. The lack of a suitable place to practice, irregular class schedules, and the inexperience of the players are a few of a long list. But for all the boys didn't have in the line-up, they made up for it in "heart." No matter how out-classed or how hopeless the score, they still kept trying.

It is true that we can't do much bragging about our team's record, but "it is an ill wind that blows no good." Think how the students at St. Mary's and Orchard Lake feel . . . their team lost to ours!

Sympathy

The Herald extends prayerful sympathy to Sister M. Marcellene on the death of her brother, Donald Horton, March 10.

Bill McDonough

Bill is taking a straight Liberal course.

Bill attended Sacred Heart grade school and later Catholic Central where he played basketball and golf. He spends his summers between Grand Haven and the John Ball Park municipality where he works as a "pro." Bill, incidentally, does the 18 in a neat 54 which is quite respectable even though it is a miniature golf course!

Bill is taking a straight Liberal Arts course and as a foreign language is suffering through Spanish.

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