**Aquinas Herald**

**M. E. Sloan, J. Fuller Reign As Homecoming Royalty**

Mary Ellen Sloan, Detroit sen­
ior, and John R. Fuller, senior, were crowned queen and king of the Aquinas homecoming, Friday, Feb. 14, at an informal dance in the Louis XIV room of the Manger House, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., featured Frank Laddo's orchestra.

Members of the royal court were Judith Lee, G.R. sophomore, Rita Mykola, G.R. junior, Mar­tha Sadowski, G.R. junior, and Mary Shepherd, Bay City sopho­more.

Selected by Varsity club mem­bers to be crowned, Feb. 14, the homecoming were Joan Gamm and Jay Mykola, G.R. sophomores. Assisting were Judith Lee, G.R. sophomore, Rita Mykola, G.R. junior, Martha Sadowski, G.R. junior, and Mary Shepherd, Bay City sopho­more. of the Aquinas chapter will attend the march.

The general theme of the con­vention will be The Dominican Third Order—A Way of Living the Truth. It will consist of guest speaking, panel as well as small group discussions, and workshop, and will close with a Solemn High Mass on Saturday, March 16. Preceding and delivering the sermon at the solemn high mass will be Rev. Dr. Emmanuelle Samuel Cardinal H. of the Dominican Mission in Beirut, Lebanon. Mass, sermon and lunch are hosting special tables. Lang­uages moments singing national songs and converting only in the given language.

**S. Smith To Panelist, Group Chicago Bound**

Mr. Smith to panelist, Group Chicago Bound, has been selected to participate in a panel column discussion during the 75th to 100th Annual Conference of the Order of Saint Dominic, March 11-15, held in a methods of teaching class. The group participated in a principles of secondary educa­tion course and are now enrolled in a methods of teaching class. The directed teaching period, consist­ing of two hours daily, extends from Jan. 27 to March 28.

**Esther to Chairman**

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Winter Sports Run Rampant

In the past month or so Aquinas has really been transformed into a promising winter sports playground and health resort. To that leukelianistic list of exhilarating in-trimments, a couple of new names must be added, and the college complimented for providing the students with these hand-to-attain facilities.

One of the most widely and eagerly ac-ploited of these is the campus-wide ice skating facility, which makes each new venture outdoors a thrilling adventure filled with excitement and joy. One might wish the ice were a little smoother, but doubtless this will correct itself as the continual increase in thickness and the polishing action of both spinning tires and the scrubbing popsicle sticks which are as yet not too adept at this grand sport. And it is not the number of students here who take their exercise lying down seems to be on a slight but perceptible increase.

Another novelty, although not nearly so popular among the students, is the bobbled run to the south of the Administration Building. It offers the ultimate in thrill for hardly, vigorous students. Because these students are constantly vying with each other in speed and distance, the college has strategically stationed a most cleverly arranged pile of brush to keep the slips from going off the end of the run and injuring the lawns.

Further safeguarded the sledgers, many of whom may mistakenly think the skill in the sport and almost no safety equipment, a deep ditch and a number of lumps along the way would therefore be any chance of harm coming to the rider. It is almost certain that the effects of this accelerated sports program will be more far-reaching than even those of the recently adopted medical plan. For what need will the students, because of health in this manner, have of hospitals? And indeed it must certainly be a wonder, especially in this day of high prices, that the students can be blessed with such facilities — at no appreciable cost to the college!

Tom Foolery

I think you've finally captured the real meaning of Croquet — if you got that

The Student View
By John Burns

March 7, the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, is commemorated by the Church because of his contributions to Catholic thought. Here at Aquinas we commemorate it for this reason and because the college is named after him. This day of the Honors Convocation is a public tribute to St. Thomas for lifting a little higher the torch of Divine Love.

Along with graduation, Honors Convocation is the high point of the academic year. It is a public summing up and exposition of our intellectual achievements and a salute to St. Thomas for lighting the way. Yet when it is all over and we have dropped back to the old routine, St. Thomas is not put away for another year. His presence is just as real every other day of the year.

Much has been said about the effect of a non-Catholic education on Catholic students. And even more has been spoken and written about the effects of materialism. We are warned against a subtle and direct attack. But there is a kind of ecoci-dy to this which the students in Catholic colleges often forget in the midst of higher tution and certain required courses which do not always seem practical either at the moment or in the future.

When a person attends a school such as Aquinas, he is bound to carry the effects of Thomism with him for the rest of his life, whether or not he is destined to become a scholar. Postgraduate life ordinarily does not leave too much time for contemplating the Summa but it does not rule out thinking. Here at Aquinas, as at any school, we receive instruction in the arts and in the practical and speculative sciences. No matter what our position, some day we will have to apply what we have learned. Our success will depend, to a certain extent, on the way in which the speculative sciences have formed our minds. For instance, an accountant cannot talk universally about metaphysics or theology, but a knowledge of these subjects makes one a better accountant.

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Bert's ambition is to go to the University of Michigan to under­ stand that trading jewelry with the Eskimos is a highly profitable business. She has a major in his­ tory and minors in sociology and Spanish and is currently doing her practic­ e teaching in the history department of South High School. Sports, especially sailing and travelling, are her favorite pas­ sions. Bert keeps up her sports life as a summer camp counselor at Camp Arbutes. She also has aphasis for writing notes to her roommates. These reminders can be found in the oddest places at 1507 Robinson Road.

Complementing her amiable per­ sonality Bert's lack of disabilities. Outside of cold rooms and noise before 8 a.m. she hasn't any. Better not go to Alkmaar, Bert!!

Representing the men in this month's Campus Close-up is a sen­ ior well qualified to do so. Besides being president of the Men's Union and treasurer of the Varsity club, John Fuller, G.R. senior, has been elected 1958 Homecoming King. His election culminates an active athletic career during which he has played varsity tennis since his freshman year. John, as he is more commonly known, is a history major with minors in physical education and French. Since he plans to be a

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“Fine Arts in Co-relation with Music” was the topic of Oscar Schweigard, associate professor of art, when he spoke to the Grand Rapids Music Association, Feb. 10, in Aquinas's Administration build­ ing. He also organized and edited the weekly paper Labor. 

In Aquinas's Administration building.

Rev. Louis Discussed Plan For Indian Business School

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Tertiaries Honor

Dean of Student Science

Bert's favorite pastimes are watching the Tommies win and late movies on T.V. in that order. A great advocate of the active life, he plays tennis every chance he can get and then likes to talk about the games with the boys over a nice cold bottle of COKE. His most vehement dislike: “people who don't think I like COKE.”

Rev. Paul Louis

John Fuller

John Fuller's
teacher John is now practicing teaching at Central High. He is also working on the dock at Michi­ gan Bicycles.

In “India,” Father Louis said in an interview, “the English system of education is followed.” He ex­ plained that this involved a much greater emphasis on liberal arts and the humanities than is com­ mon at the state schools in the United States. Each year about 400,000 people are graduated from the high schools and colleges in the Indian educational system.

Of “India’s 400 million people,” Father Louis said, “the population is vastly unem­ ployed, and an additional 20% still partially unem­ ployed. Graduates of the educa­ tional system, while well educated in the classroom, are not fit for the jobs they are trained for.”

There is no college or school of business administration in the In­ dian educational system.

To supply for the present lack of practical vocational training, Father Louis hopes to open a col­ lege of business administration to teach the organization and oper­ ation of small businesses.

At his request, a small group of so­ cial workers are training in vari­ ous American universities in pre­ paration for the opening of this college.

Father Louis hopes to receive his doctorate from Michigan State university in a year. Before re­ turning to India he expects to spend some time in Brazil assist­ ing in a project for Indian immi­ grants.

In addition to his work at Aquin­ a's, Father Louis is organizing a group which cares to hear about the Tertiaries.


Toms Divide Soo Series

Toms split a week-end doubleheader with Soo Tech, Feb. 7-8, winning Friday 87-84 and losing Saturday by a 74-66 count.

In the first game Aquinas staved off a late rally by the Hornets to post their second win in a row. The contest was highlighted by Ralph Coleman's 37 points.

Playing good, sound basketball Aquinas dominated the first half and rolled up a 42-33 lead.

Soo Tech, however, had amazing success against the Tommies in recent years, stormed back after intermission and whittled down the visitors' margin. With a minute remaining and the Toms leading 85-84, the Soo chose to hold for a last second shot. The strategic move, as it turned out, Aquinas forced a jump. Art Champion clinched the Tommies' third win of the season.

The following night's sea-saw battle of two broken open in the last minute and a half as the home club outscored Aquinas 9-2 to walk off with the win.

Ralph Coleman led Aquinas for the second straight game as he netted 22 points. As might have been expected after his first night's showing, Coleman's play was more centered. Three ex-Catholic players led the reserves to an 80-67 victory, Feb. 5.

Aquinas was down by as many as 19, while Eddie Wagner hit for 10. In a late rally that carried the Tommies to victory, the team made the remark to Coleman, "If the coach had left me in as long as you, I could have scored as many points as you did.

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Stimulating this idea is the betting (or pools) being conducted by some of the students on who will be the high point man in the game. In fact, one of the players was approached at the Cleary game and informed that he should get a lot of money for saying that a student could win.

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### Four Finish Game; Jackson Wins 76-65

Aquinas missed before a second-half press by Jackson but lost their sixth game in a row 76-65, Jan. 24.

The Tommies were severely handicapped by injuries and only seven players made the trip. In the final seconds Aquinas played with only four men after three starters and a substitute were hurt.

The Tommies held a comfortable 34-29 halftime lead in the visitors' home court and seemed well on their way to the second win of the season. The effective pressing defense was applied through the second half and it completely stymied the Tommies' offense the rest of the way.

The Jackson press forced Aquinas to hold a slender 65-63 lead with 3½ minutes, but failed to score again as the Tommies whittled down the game with the free throw line. The Tommies outscored 12 of their 36 attempted charity tosses.

Jackson's two flashy guards, Larry Bicy and Bob Purrkey, hit 22 and 23 points respectively. Jackson's other two starters, Gordon Leslie and Jim Kubczak, who had 13 points, Tom McCormick with 12, and Deb Blondin with 11.

### Late Bid Fails; Aquinas Nipped

A late bid by Aquinas to stop a seven-game losing streak fell short as Alpena hung on to gain a 68-79 win at Grayling, Feb. 1.

Alpena hit on their first six attempts from the floor, but the Tommies matched the Northerners for the remainder of the half and trailed 48-34.

In the second half, Alpena gradually pulled away as the Tommies hit on just 3 of 10 shots.

Aquinas had balanced scoring for 19, while Eddie Wagner hit for 10. The Tommies had held a comfort­able 46-34 lead in the strength of a 78% shooting parade with Ralph Coleman, who collected 9 bask­ets; Kubczak, who had 13 points; Tom McCormick with 12, and Deb Blondin with 11.

### Press Box

Eddie Wagner (11) attempts to pass between two Cleary players.

As if enough troubles didn't exist on the Tommies' team, a new problem has arisen on the squad.

A defiant attitude, breaking training and a lack of team play were just a few of the problems confronting the team at the begin­ning of the season . . . now it's petty jealousy.

The defensiveness has been erased with the recent successes, but it is still noticeable in the student body, who take a loss with a grain of salt.

Breaking training was an apparent mark of distinction on the Aquinas basketball team in the last few years. Most of the players made an honest effort to get in condition this year, but the "De­troit Incident" was a black mark on the school and the team.

The players involved promised to follow the training rules rigidly and never allow such an incident to happen again. Yet, three of the players, two of them, regulars, are continuing to break training.

Coach Ray Null is attempting to correct the third problem, lack of teamwork. He has inspired the team to take the steps to make a winning combination.

The addition of Ralph Coleman, Tom McCormick and Deb Blondin has given the Tommies terrific boost in scoring, rebounding and play making.

These three players by their fine play have shoved some of the strain and "stars" into the back­ground.

The players shoved into the background are fighting back the same way they know how, with petty jealousy and "side line coaching" causing trouble for the coach and those who are playing.

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