College Launches $8,000,000 Development

Plan Includes Buildings, Faculty, Student Benefits

An $8,000,000 development plan designed to improve the college's physical plant, its faculty, and its student aid program extending over a 13-year period, has been announced by the Rev. Msgr. Arthur F. Bukowski, president, at a recent advisory board meeting. Monsignor Bukowski said the program is a result of a three-year study by the college officials. A formal campaign to be launched to alumni, businessmen, and friends of the College in an effort to provide funds for the first buildings planned. An overall expenditures of $4,450,000 will begin with a $750,000 science building, women's dormitory coating $600,000, a house of studies for $675,000, and a million dollar activities building to be erected in the near future.

The future building program will include a men's dormitory, a study center, a chapel, a faculty residence for priests, and an addition to the Sisters' faculty residence. Also included in the long range program are provisions for residence halls, the number of faculty members and their salaries, and for additional scholarships, fellowships, and other forms of student aid.

Fr. Beahan To Speak On Pope's Coronation
Rev. Hugh Michael Beahan will give a lecture on the coronation of Pope John XXIII and on Assisi, Sunday, Dec. 14, at 8 p.m. in Room 305. The talk will be illustrated by movies and slides.

Father Beahan was guide and chaplain for the group that went from Western Michigan to the coronation. The Friends of Aquinas Homecoming Gala Weekend Brings In Approximately $9,000 Profit

Gala Week-end this year, although it did not include any festivities of the 1959 party, netted a profit of approximately $9,000. This figure is the result of proceeds from the dance, dinner, car drawing, and festival. An estimated 1,200 people attended the dance Saturday, Nov. 9. Approximately 250 attended the dance-Friday, Nov. 7. The number of people at the festival itself was estimated to be 1,000.

Elected queen and king of the dance were Geraldine Radoswki, G. R. senior and Thomas Miah, Muskegon senior. Compensating the court were Dawn Argile, G. R. sophomore, and Ronald Dupont, G. R. junior; Nancy Bolen, and Ronald Kuret, G. R. sophomores; Maureen Madden, and Robert Zayko, G. R. freshmen. Highest profit making booths at the festival were Over 21, seniors; Old Agers (the alumni club); Zoo booth, juniors; Women's League Candy booth; and baked goods, seniors.

The winner of the late 1959 Plymouth was John Bulstra of 908 Plymouth. The contest was sponsored by the Physical Education Department and the Dance Committee.

Margaret Dord and Carolyn Radoswki sell homemade candy to Gala Weekenders at the Women's league booth.

Future Teachers Finish Training
Fifteen future elementary teachers are being directed teaching in and around Grand Rapids. Student teachers, their schools and critic teachers are Mrs. Ellen Benjamin, Otawa Elementary, in the home of Mrs. Anna Coale, Dickinson, grade 4, Mrs. Louis Kemp, Mrs. Jane Rose, Bristol, Bridge, grades 2-3, Miss Nancy Sigsbee, grade 4, Miss Margaret Lewis.

Teaching in counties such as Clataonia Gilford, Grandville Elementary, kindergarten-grade 1, Mrs. Anna Lorey Foreman and Mrs. Mary Southard; Erma Steffen, Bowen grades 3 and 5, Mrs. Syndy Noble and Mrs. Heffron; and William Van Skiver, North Park, grade 4, Mrs. Jane Hevrin.

Teaching in a parochial school is Patricia Sturma, St. Francis Xavier, Grade 1. In the home of Mrs. Roberta, R.S.M., and Sister M. Anthony, R.S.M.

Two students are being directed teaching on the secondary level. David Thompson is teaching English at South under the direction of Mrs. Evelyn Cloxter, Elmer Theodore, supervised by Miss Karen Williams, teaches bookkeeping at Creston.
**Toms Add Five, Extend Win Streak to 11; Homecoming with Calvin Set for Jan. 9**

By Vito Stella

After getting off to the greatest start in school history, the Toms are eagerly looking forward to their Homecoming period and the start of a new season during and just after the Christmas holidays.

The Toms defeated the Flint Christmas Tournament Dec. 22-23 and on Jan. 9 the Toms battle Calvin. It is Aquinas' 11th straight game as each scored 26. Starting slow, the Toms trailed 16 points to share scoring honors held the margin the entire second half. The Tommies entered the half with a 39-30 halftime lead. Aquinas 79, Assumption 70 (OT)

The Toms overpowered Benton Harbor JC before a disappointing over Assumption in the Catholic Central gym in the first "home" game of the season Dec. 1. Aquinas had a 44-36 halftime lead and kept pulling away the entire second half. Coleman scored 20 points to lead the Toms with Keller totaling 18 for second honors.

Aquinas 69, Muskegon CC 55

Aquinas used a big second half rally to subdue scrappy Muskegon Community college at Burton gym Dec. 3. Muskegon held small leads through the first half and led 35-29 at the intermission. At the outset of the second half, trailing 34-31, the Toms whipped in 16 straight points before Muskegon found the range again to pull the game out of the fire and turn it into an easy win.

Coleman had his biggest scoring night of the season shooting 29 points. Deb Blöndin had 15 while Captain Tom McCormick had 11.

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As is reported on the front page of this issue, Aquinas is launching an extensive building project, which will no doubt cause many people wonder what is the value of investing such a great deal of time and money in a Catholic college in this world, when there have been so many fine universities, and one large Catholic co-educational university in the state. This article will attempt to show the potentiality of a Catholic education, and to present the manner by which the expansion of Aquinas can benefit our future Catholic citizens by making such an education more readily accessible to them.

There is no denial of man's essential need for education in our complex civilization. But like every other age ours is confronted with problems concerning the objectives and requirements an education must meet. To equip man for a useful and rewarding place in society, to give him the foundation for a fulfilling, satisfying, and meaningful life, are the objectives of any worthy education; to meet these objectives a modern education must satisfy three basic requirements.

Education Must Have Breadth

A modern education must be of sufficient breadth to extend through the artificial departmental barriers which many of modern culture have necessitated, and to keep man from becoming an exile in an enclosed sphere, cut off from the vast and complex activities of modern life. Such a man should tear down the self-centered, narrow-minded attitude of the ignorant, and inculcate in his mind a philosophical sensibility towards the worthwhile products and labors of other men. An educated man should have genuine esteem for the beauty in art, the power of music, the versatility in the work of many men. He should have an educational plan that is being tried in the East has met with enthusiastic approval by Aquinas students.

Education Must Have Depth

A modern education should be of a certain depth in a particular, specialized field. The modern man needs a significant number of courses, and a man, such as numerous as the voters.

Political Patterns

By Tomis Mish

The elections of 1956 have long since been over. In fact, many people—politicians, political scientists, everyone concerned with selecting the candidates and picking the winners for the big races in 1960 have forgotten the primary elections. But this one didn't.

There are other reasons given for this big Democratic win. Among them are money, union support, and luck. But the real reason seems to be the hard work and planning for the future.

This reason gains support when one looks at the campaign of the four representatives to the City Auditorium for the first conference, which was a general session on "Art in School Publications" by Rev. E. M. Catich of St. Ambrose college. Among other things, he thoroughly advocated depicting Christ as a modern man to bring the Christian message to the average man. This, of course, raised much comment. (Picture is enclosed.)

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The following year, the group split up, and Martha and Mary went to those meetings pertaining to the yearbook, and Marjorie and George to those relating to the newspaper.

Martha and Mary got many ideas from Joanne Moroney, C.S.C. of Saint Joseph's High school, in South Bend, Ind., on planning the yearbook; and Marjorie and Sister Maria Steila, who also attended the conferences, were very interested in a group of student teaching supervisors in the University of Chicago, and the possibilities of a college newspaper, as led by the vibrant Sister Mary Roy of Averno College.

And the most inspiring and amusing talk was given by Mr. Robert Broderick, an associate professor at the University of Michigan, to an audience of future writers, there being no money in writing. But he was such an imaginative, humorous, and inspiring talker that his effect on his audience was quite the opposite.

The weekend turned out much brighter after a trip to the seventh floor, indulged in a fancy restaurant, "Captain of the Pacific," and attended a Pontifical High Mass sung by the Marquette Choir in Gesu church. After a football game, a party, and Gene Krupa.

They left Milwaukee and its rain Sunday afternoon and arrived in Chicago. But all in all, it was a trip the four will never forget—not only for its beneficial intercollegiate conference, but also for its hilarious experiences. (But don't ever ask them to give you their opinion of the Hotel.)
Miss Malone Tours Italy, Sees Crowning

One of the few people from Michigan to see the coronation of Pope John XXIII was Miss Mary Ellen Sloan Blondin, a girl who has spent 3½ years giving all she has to our school. Her friends describe her as a girl who is always ready to volunteer her time when she is needed.

Martha Kamiński Chooses Staff For Yearbook

Martha Kamiński, editor of the Aquinas yearbook, the Thomist, has announced her staff.

Mary Ellen Blondin

Mary Ellen is a graduate of Dominican High school in Detroit. She is majoring in sociology and psychometrics at Aquinas College, and hopes to become a sociologist or psychometrist after graduation. She is completing 4 years of college work in the psychology department.

If you have ever heard the phrase "out of the mouth of babes," you might have heard it in the halls or cafeterias of Aquinas college, it was probably spoken by Miss Malone. Miss Malone was a Roman Catholic agent and junior years at Aquinas she was a member of the Peace Corps of the army.

Mary Ellen said that college has exposed her to so many new things that make life more interesting. "Now that I am majoring in sociology there are so many things I would like to investigate and see.""