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The giant mound of earth at the west end of Wege Center parking lot is the first stage of a new home for the Aquinas College Credit Union. Credit union monies are making way for a 52 by 24 modular constructed building. Digging began in mid-April and forms for the full basement will be laid by the end of this week. The building should arrive some time during the next week. Credit Union Manager, John Gardella, says that the building could probably be occupied three days after it arrives and is put in position. He says, however, "To avoid confusion and to assure that our service is not interrupted, we will not make the move until after graduation."

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It's Reckoning Day

This is it. The day of reckoning is here. The Advisory Board of the Self-Study will pass judgement as to whether Aquinas is up to the standards of the Self-Study group.

All the recommendations have been published, and this week-end will serve as the first proving ground for the proposals. The student body must turn out in force as they did at the last Advisory Board session to make this last push a success.

The editor of the Herald has read all the study reports and in this special issue tries to present some of the main ideas in the reports. The summaries are just that, and in so far as we chose what to report on, they are editorialized. We chose to report the recommendations on the basis of significance and feasibility. There is no attempt here to say that one recommendation is more feasible or acceptable than another. It is merely our attempt to make the Aquinas student as aware as possible of the Self-Study conclusion.

former Music Dept. Chairman Dies

Sister Annette M. Kain chairman of the Aquinas Music Department, for 23 years, passed away early last week.

Sister Annette retired in 1968, as an Associate Professor. Her distinguished career in Music included membership in several professional Organizations such as the National Catholic Music Educators Association and the National Music Teachers Association.

Sister came to Aquinas in 1945.
Earth Day Was Good for Earth

Each Day is over but when all is said and done the earth is probably going to be better for it.

The benefits of the day are innumerable. But to us, the new concern for the future of our environment is only part of the boot. A unification of spirit seldom harnessed in this country was seen on April 22. If every man has one thing in common, it is his desire to continue breathing and it was that desire that brought leftists to the arms of republicans, politicians to the side of elementary school children, and businessmen to discussion with collegians.

This unity toward a common goal proves what many doubted, that this country can still come together and pull like no other nation. A day originally conceived by a Wisconsin senator and organized by a college student, had equal appeal for every sector of our nation from the non-voting school children in nearby Whitehall, Michigan who picked up 91,000 bottles and for an executive of Scott Paper Co. who announced his company's new $36 million program to prevent pollution.

That is an accomplishment that the bemoaners of our "doomed society" would have doubted as late as last December.

Yet, while this evidence of singular purpose is a great indicator of hope it does do no good whatsoever if we all choke together holding each other's hand. The environment that we live in is in dire danger, let there be no doubt about that. The environmental issue is not a sham as some insist to divert attention from other national problems. It's sudden national prominence may be more than coincidencidence since ecologists have been striving to unloosen ears for the last few years before suddenly being noticed, but it is the most threaten­ing thing mankind has yet encountered.

The environmental problem is multi-faceted with air pollution overshadowing water pollution in some people's minds, whereas others see the rape of the land and diminishing natural resources as a bigger problem that the population boom. The worried thing about rational thinking on the subject is that one can't separate the various aspects of the problem. They must be attacked as one or we will lose the war.

Just like other wars, Vietnam as an example, we cannot with­out we determine our objective and divide up the weapons we will use. This is how we will win and a snag because while everyone agrees there is a problem, no one really knows what to do about or is really ready to do anything about it.

We can see evidence of short-gun remedies in the form of President Nixon's patry 800 million appropriation over four years for water pollution, or some companies attempts to prevent air pollution from their factory's, or Detroit's belief it can manufacture a non-polluting auto in 10 years (thanks load). However, these are not the unified effort that will be needed. As Professor Richard Blake, chairman of the Aquinas Political Science Department said in a environment semi­nar last week, "the American people are going to have to face up to the fact that this whole thing (the environment problem) is going to cost billions to lick. We're going to have to make an awful lot of sacrifices if we want our grand children to live the good life.

For success this administration and the American people must soon decide on priorities. The environmental problem cannot be a hobby, it will have to be an obsession if we want to continue to produce children for this earth. Otherwise the advocates of zero population rates will have material for argument. If we put technology to work for us, we can overcome the problems of the late 20th century in the same way we have accomplished all our other great deeds including a man on the moon.

With total dedication man will be able to hold hands together, thirty or forty years from now, take a good deep breath and live.

HERALD OPINION PAGE

Opinions in this newspaper are not necessarily those of Aquinas College and sole responsibility for the opinions expressed rest with the editor in-chief. Staff Members are: Mike Crossen, Debbie Veest, Jerry Hoogheer, Bill Tarrer, Kathy Calhoon, Helen Bossert, Rose Baccall. EDITOR TIM J. MCCULLIE
Student Rights Urges Student Freedom

The Study group on Student Rights and Responsibilities concerned its recommendations with creating a free but responsible Aquinas student. One of its first significant recommendations was their suggestion that there be a common meeting place for all students. Suggested as possibilities were a campus coffee house or pub, open recreation rooms in either or both dormitories, or an addition to the present snack bar using the space presently occupied by the postroom. The group also suggests that emphasis be changed from being a weekend dances, and dating to creative or service-oriented group activities.

Listed as a highest priority recommendation was that the college should provide more quantity, quality and diversity in cultural events for the benefit of the entire community. Also a "highest priority" was that there be no formal attendance policy, stated or enforced by the college. Responsibility for setting and enforcing attendance should be left up to the instructor according to the report. As far as graduation requirements are concerned the group suggests that they be tailored for the individual, and that the grading process be restructured to "allow it to assist in the learning process rather than impede it as it presently does." The group also urged more independent study courses, group independent study and student initiated courses.

Faculty student responsibilities should return to a friendly attitude in the words of the study group. The group urges more respect and mutual understanding among students and faculty members in advanced studies and fellowships, improvement of teaching, research opportunities, peer evaluation, tenure review at intervals to be determined by the group, and faculty and student committees to aid in library planning. The study group urges that the administration consider a "highest priority" since the group says that the college should be open later than 12 midnight. Also to be investigated is the possibility of centers joining the food plan in the cafeteria.

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All Oliveraux racked up a two-mile victory and John Oleck picked up second place while Mike Deveraux and Lenny Messing won the mile and the 88 respectively. Aquinas swept all three places in those two events, as they did the pole vault when John Walters won with an 11-6 vault.

Tom VanPortfleet picked up a first in the discus throw and a third in the shotput. The only other field event winner for AQ was Jim Clark in the high jump.

Dan Measday raced to a first place finish in the 220 yard dash and Jim Empie got his victory in the 440. He came back as anchor man of the winning Tommie mile relay team of Measday, Lenny Messing and Mike Deveraux.

Brad Shouldice who also stars in basketball for Lake Superior put on an impressive show with three first places a second and a third plus running a leg on his team's winning 440 relay team.

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Last Friday the netters got their second win of the season over Hillsdale. In the first encounter Aquinas nipped the Chargers 5-4 but on Friday they won 6-3. White, Hall, Greg, Pfent and Roger Lilac all came through singles victories and the same four teamed up for two doubles wins.