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## "WOMEN LAWYERS ARE AT A DISADVANTAGE"

Mr. Logan in Interview Says Their Difficulty is in Obtaining Practice.

That women lawyers are at a disadvantage because of their sex, is the opinion of Mr. George B. Logan, instructor in business law, a course of the secretarial department of Fontbonne. "Although the number of women in the law profession has been steadily increasing during the last few years, the number of women who have been strikingly successful is comparatively small," he said. "This is not because women are less capable of being good lawyers than men, but because on account of their sex

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## College Musicians in Inter-Unit Program

Fontbonne will contribute to the St. Louis Conference Mission Day Program, Dec. 11, by sending sections of its glee club and orchestra to assist with the musical numbers. The glee club will offer three musical numbers from its repertoire of classical and modern authors. A trio of players—Florence Noble, cellist; Mary Cecilia Robinson, pianist; Louise Siebert, violinist—will take part in the Combined Students' Mission Crusade Orchestra.

The program will feature two plays presented by students of Christian Brothers High School and St. Louis University High School in the St. Louis University auditorium, 3642 Lindell blvd., at 2:30 p. m., the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 11. Admission is thirty-five cents, of which sixty per cent will be refunded to the treasury of the unit making sales of such tickets.

## Now A Sunken Garden

Plans for Fontbonne's latest improvement, a sunken garden, have been completed. Located directly in back of the dining room in Ryan Hall, between that building and the hockey field, the plot, 120 feet long and 60 feet wide, with a fountain in the center, will be bounded by hard-surfaced paths which are to be bordered by hedge. Cedars, white concrete benches and two pergolas, one to the north and a larger one to the south, will complete the design.

## Adoption of Uniform Is Noticed Widely

Fontbonne's adoption of a uniform has attracted notice and favorable comment in both local and other journals. The National Catholic Welfare Conference News Sheet for release Nov. 21 to its ninety subscribing Catholic papers carries the following story:

St. Louis, Nov. 18.—Conforming to the desires of the Holy Father for a more modest style of dress for women, Fontbonne College has adopted a uniform, designed exclusively for its student body, with skirt reasonably full and of moderate length and sleeves and neck well within the requirements laid down by the Pope. The design is being carried out in flat crepe in three colors, light brown for students of the blonde type, maroon for the brunette, and navy blue for the neutral type. Orders are being placed at present although the wearing of the uniform does not become compulsory until the New Year.

Unusual enthusiasm was shown at the student assembly last Thursday, when the model decided upon was adopted almost immediately upon its being exhibited.

## SODALISTS HOLD TWO FUNCTIONS NEXT WEEK

Reception Sunday at Fontbonne and Communion Wednesday in College Church.

Two events of importance to Fontbonne sodalists will take place next week, a reception into the college sodality, and a general Communion for the St. Louis Sodality Union, to which the students in all the Catholic colleges and high schools of the city belong.

On Sunday afternoon, Dec. 4, at 4 p. m., the annual reception will take place in the chapel. Rev. H. R. Sheldon, C.M., A.M., chaplain, will be in charge of the ceremonies. He will address the sodalists and give benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the reception and act of consecration to Our Lady.

The arrangements are in the hands of the Students' Spiritual Council, which is composed of

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## Press Club Hears Stephen C. Tammany

"Accuracy, speed, and 'a nose for news' characterize the good reporter," said Stephen C. Tammany of the Globe-Democrat, a member of the Fontbonne Fathers' Club, in a lecture delivered before the Press Club on Nov. 17, at Fontbonne College. Mr. Tammany described the fascinating organization of the newspaper, leaving out no one from the cub reporter to the men "higher up" at the copy desk and the city desk. Its intellectual and mechanical makeup represents a systematic network of intricate processes from the notes taken "at location" to the folding of the pages.

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## Chapter One

America, in its issue of November 26, highly commends Fontbonne for working out "the vexed question of dress," and thereby showing "what youth can do, when the principles, and not mere prescriptions, are entrusted to them." Thus the first page of Fontbonne's history in taking a public and quite positive stand on a moral issue has been written.

The Font earnestly hopes that this page may form the introduction to a glorious volume, wherein may be written, ever fearlessly, our decisions on any question of principle. Unless a school of this kind follows nothing but its own high standards, the sacrifices which have made it possible have been more than useless. For it is the clear duty of this and like institutions to disprove that brilliantly enameled fallacy that the thing that everyone does is, by that very fact, the correct thing. Surely the woman who is unafraid (not offensive, but quietly and surely unafraid) to defend her honest convictions may make herself felt in this world where vague and changing fancies are so often the only substitutes for principles.

## Will You Carry the Torch?

The International Good Will Congress, which was recently conducted in St. Louis by The World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches, accomplished its purpose by bringing a message of peace to the youth of the city. Those who attended the meetings were agreeably surprised at the enthusiastic

cooperation with which the schools responded in sending members to the Congress.

The young people of today are the statesmen of tomorrow. They are the ones who will have the power of helping humanity, of ameliorating the world's suffering and leading it on to better things.

War is destructive, not only to the individual, but to the race. It robs the nation of its finest, leaving behind the weak, the unfit. In like manner it brings out the savagery in man's nature; hatred and cruelty are accompaniments of war.

College women, especially, should be interested in any movement that will insure peace. Since they are expected to be the leaders of the future, it is their sacred duty to advocate all that is constructive to the betterment of humanity.

## "WOMEN LAWYERS ARE AT A DISADVANTAGE"

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they have difficulty in getting practice. A good lawyer is judged, of course, by the amount of practice he has." The most conspicuous example of a successful woman lawyer, according to Mr. Logan, is Mrs. Mabel Welliebrandt, assistant prosecuting attorney of the United States.

Mr. Logan is very decidedly in favor of a secretarial course for college girls. When asked if he considered women college graduates more proficient in the secretarial line because of their education, he said: "Undoubtedly. They know more. They have a good vocabulary, can spell, are well read; they have background. We have even gotten so far that we ask an applicant how much education she has, and her answer influences our decision. For example, we should prefer a girl who has her degree and, say, six months' experience to one who has, say, only a year or two of high school work and five or six years of practical experience."

Mr. Logan, who is attorney for Fontbonne, is a member of the law firm, Alexander, Cobbs & Logan. He lives at 7525 Westmoreland Ave., Clayton.

## Faxencrax

The Sophomore dance is over, there's no play practice and even Thanksgiving went hastily by. Ho hum! Guess we better study 'til Christmas.

The team lost but the St. Louis drum major strutted all over Washington's.

The other day "Happy" had to tell the gym teacher that she didn't have any small in her back.

A freshman, on learning that we were to have a sunken garden, asked how we were going to sink the flowers.

"If you would know the value of money, go and try to borrow some." Ben Franklin certainly knew a lot about more schools than that of experience.

## ANN THE APPLE GIRL

Dear Jake:

I got lots to tell you so I have to put this letter in what the girls 'round here call a condensed form. Everybody has been awful busy last week gettin' ready to act. They have a real cute show and the name of it was "Made on the Screen" but I saw it and I never did see 'em make anything. 'course that mornin' when I brought the apples I heard a lot a nockin' over in the hall so maybe they made whatever they was gonna make before the show. It was a real swell show they even used chairs like they have in August's funeral parlors. Thats how big the crowd was. One of the girls took me away up front so I sat on the first chair. The actors sung swell and had real funny kostumes on like honest to goodness chineymen, even pigtails. I guess they must a had to get their hair cut that way just for the show. Jake I got a yellow letter the other day from Ma. It had "telegram" written on top of it. It was so funny I saved it so I could copy it in this letter to you 'cause honest Jake it didn't have no sense this is what it said "Can you come home saturday to see Clara's wedding Stop Jake says he will go with you." Now why do you think I should go see a wedding stop. Aint that dumb? I think Ma made a mistake and meant to say go, insted of stop. I won't get my day off this week cause I sure do want to get home Saturday to see Clara's wedding stop. I bet it will be funny. Be sure to meet me and try to borrow Si's horse and buggy cause I'm gonna ware my white shoes.

Your B and O girl friend,

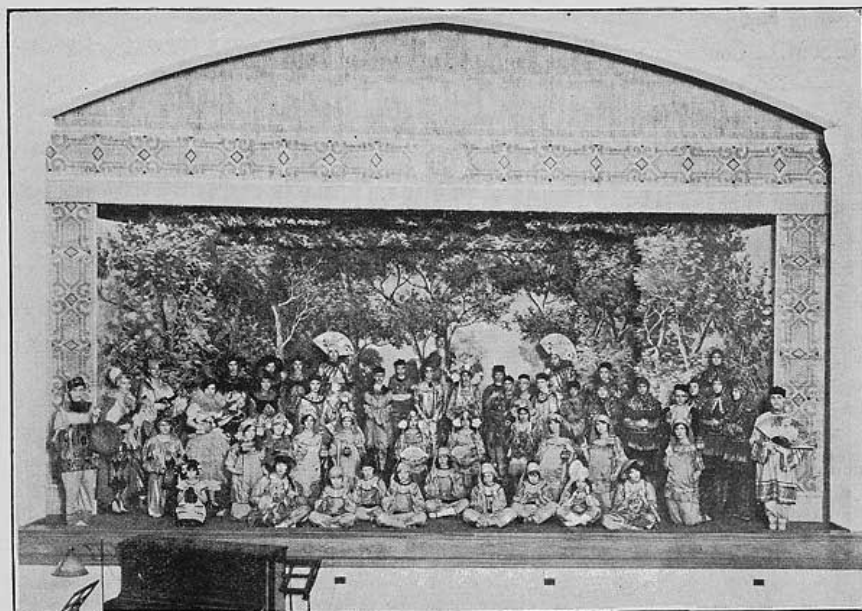
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Glee Club Members Who Presented "My Maid on the Bamboo Screen"

**SOPHS VS. FROSH IN  
FINAL HOCKEY MATCH**

The final hockey game of the season will be played early next week. The regular team line-ups will be altered so that this contest will be held between the sophomores and freshmen.

Fontbonne hockey enthusiasts will attend the second annual women's national field hockey tournament to be held at Taylor Field, Lackland Road and Creve Coeur line, St. Louis county, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2, 3 and 4.

**TERPSICHOREANS, FORTH!**

A dancing class in ballet technique is a new course opened recently. The class is conducted by Miss Loretto C. Amend and meets Thursday of each week from 3 to 4:30. Taking advantage of this class are: Mildred Bischoff, Agnes Colline, Dorothy Joyce, Agnes Reilly, Helen McKee, Ruth Schulte, and Helene Wiedersheim.

**CHANCE TO TAKE CHANCES VELOUR CURTAIN IS**

**GLEE CLUB'S GIFT**

Some fortunate student is going to add a shiny, yellow five-dollar gold piece to her Christmas shopping money. This welcome acquisition is going to follow her investment of five cents, or if she be generous, of twenty-five cents in chances on the senior raffle. From Tuesday, Dec. 6, to Wednesday, Dec. 21, the day of the drawing, an active drive to sell chances will be carried on by all the seniors under the direction of Helen Purcell, general chairman.

A taupe velour curtain and matching drapes for the Fontbonne auditorium is to be the gift of the College Glee Club, in remembrance of its initial presentation, "My Maid on the Bamboo Screen," offered Nov. 22, the feast of St. Cecilia. The Fontbonne Glee Club has the honor of having played to the largest and most appreciative audience in the short history of the college.

**LIBRARY GETS VOLUMES  
ON DRAMA AND TRAVEL**

Rev. James T. Coffey, pastor of St. Leo's Church, has presented to Fontbonne library a set of Charles Knight's Imperial Edition of William Shakespeare, in eight volumes, published 1938-1843, and notable as being built on the text of the First Folio as an exclusive authority. The books were formerly the possession of Most Rev. Jeremiah J. Harty, D. D., once pastor of St. Leo's Church, who at the time of his death recently

was Bishop of Omaha, Neb. This gift is a welcome addition to Fontbonne's growing Shakespeare collection, which now occupies in the center room of the library a special section adjoining the special shelves for works on the drama.

"The Pageant of America," a pictorial history of the United States, in seven volumes, is a recent gift to the library from Mr. John E. Riley, president of Fontbonne Father's Club.

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### Academy Senior Honored By C. S. M. C. Conference

Eleanor Riley, a member of the senior class of the Academy, was elected to the Executive Board of the C. S. M. C., at a meeting held at St. Louis University, Sunday, Nov. 26. She was also a representative of the Academy at a meeting of the Sodality Union held Nov. 23 to discuss plans for the annual demonstration Dec. 8, at the College Church, where student sodalists of the city will attend Mass and receive Holy Communion.

#### Sodality Reception Planned

Forty new members will be taken into the Sodality at the annual reception on the afternoon of Dec. 8, the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Rev. H. R. Sheldon, C. M., A. M., will be in charge of the ceremonies, which will consist of the reception, a sermon, and benediction. All the Academy sodalists will be present.

#### Friday Adoration Periods

In connection with the Hand Maids of the Blessed Sacrament, the Academy has established the Guards of Honor. Each Friday groups of students spend periods of their free time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. It is expected that according to the Sodality plan of Rev. D. A. Lord, S. J., much devotion for the Holy Eucharist will be promoted in this way.

#### "Make Me a Child Again."

The Junior Class entertained the seniors with a "Little Children's Party," Thursday, Nov. 11. The program consisted in a grand march, songs, games, and refreshments. A prize for the best costume was awarded to Amelia Belina, and one for the Kiddie Kart Race was given to Dorothy Hogan, and for the Fontbonne Word game to Marcella Graf. The chairman of the entertainment committee was Kathryn Tackaberry, of that for refreshments, Eleanor Riley.

### NEW CLUB TO MOTIVATE BETTER SPEECH HABITS

The Speech Arts class, of which Mr. Ralph B. Wagner is instructor, has formed a club, the purpose of which is to promote better speech among its members, to read plays, to discuss current topics, and to debate. The club will be supervised by the instructor, and a member of the class will act as chairman. At the last meeting on Nov. 22, Mary Belle McCoole acted as chairman, with Bernice Simpson, as secretary. Rosalie Morrissey has been appointed chairman, and Marcella Schumacker, secretary, for the next meeting.

The election of permanent officers will take place before the students depart for the Christmas holidays.

### SODALITY FUNCTIONS

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Bernice Simpson, prefect; Clare Whalen, assistant prefect, and chairman of publicity; Mary Maggill, secretary and chairman of membership committee; Lucille Eckhard, treasurer; Agnes Ibbetson, chairman of apostolic committee; Margaret Woods, chairman of Eucharistic committee; Alice Igoe, president of C. S. M. C. unit, and Helen Purcell, recording secretary of the St. Louis Sodality Union.

On Thursday morning, Dec. 8, the St. Louis Sodality Union will attend the nine o'clock mass at St. Francis Xavier Church. The purpose of this celebration is to bring together the Catholic youth of the city to honor Our Blessed Mother on her special feast day, by renewing their act of consecration and by pledging undying loyalty to her. After Mass breakfast will be served in the St. Louis U. gymnasium.

### FATHERS' CLUB MEETS

The Fontbonne Fathers' club convened for the first meeting of the season on Monday evening, Nov. 21, 1897. At the next regular meeting, Monday, Dec. 19, the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held.

The present officers of the Fathers' Club are: Messrs. John E. Riley, president; A. J. Noble, vice-president; T. J. Hester, secretary; H. J. Remmers, treasurer.

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