Curtain to Rise on "Little Juggler" at End of Month

"Let's all make the very very best of one thing we can do!" cries a gay guitar man, as the empty-handed juggler sadly watches the preparation for Our Lady's feast. With these words, the theme of The Little Juggler, a children's play to be presented Friday, Saturday, and Sunday afternoon, February 26-28, will echo across the Fontbonne stage.

This production of The Little Juggler, based on a medieval legend of The Juggler of Notre Dame, is the corporate work of the Fontbonne faculty. The play was written by Sister Marcella Marie, professor of English; the music is by Sister John Joseph, professor of Music. The director is Sister Mary Charity; the costumes are designed by Sister Madeleine Sophie, and the scenery by Sister Anna Thomas. The choreography will be done by Mrs. Tobin.

The cast for the play is composed of Fontbonne students and children from the St. Louis area. The little juggler will be played by Jini Hendrick, a junior speech-correction major. Mary Martin, a junior English major, will play the Man with the Blue Guitar. Brother Piccolo, Brother Scrobbley, and Brother Da Vinci, three Speech majors, whose names reveal their art, are played by three Speech majors: Sue Scherger, Mary Lee Higgins, and Pat Cobb respectively.

Six freshmen in the cast are Marguerite Wright as the Vegetable Lady; Marilyn Curley, the Balloon Man; Mary Jo Ellis, the Fortune Teller; Annette Moran, Brother Boniface the Cook; Katie Sweeney, Henri The Donkey; and Paula Oberle, Father Abbot.

The children will be played by Carol Ann Schmuck, Susan Bea- ver, Georganne Gaynor, Anne Bud- lin, Christopher Moran, John Schaf- fly, and Russlyn Fredrick.

Business Head Receives Grant

Sister Mona Marie, chairman of the Department of Business and Economics, has received one of thirty fellowships for advanced study at the Graduate School of Business of Indiana University. This is a Ford Foundation grant for the summer session of 1965 intended to enhance the teaching effectiveness of faculties of colleges in the Midwest and South.

Applicants were restricted to those who are teaching in regionally accredited four-year colleges or universities and whose academic and teaching records are promising for the future.

Each fellowship holder will receive $1000 per week for the eight-week session beginning June 22. An additional allowance of $50 per week will be paid for living expenses. Provision is made for coverage of University fees. The grant also includes round trip fare to and from Bloomington for the participant.

Major in Speech Correction Gets Grant for Study

Rita Solovit, senior, majoring in speech correction, has received a $3000 grant from the U.S. Veterans' Administration. The grant is for a traineeship at Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City, Missouri. Rita will take 10 hours a semester in speech pathology and will work at the Veterans' Hospital in Kansas City 20 hours a week as a speech therapist. Her experience will be primarily with adult patients needing speech therapy. At the end of the year she will have earned her master's degree in speech pathology.

Rita is a graduate of Roosevelt High School and is a member of the Fonsbonne Scholars.
Brotherhood Week

Many of us have entered college to develop well-rounded personalities. This not only includes an appreciation of the arts and sciences, but also an understanding of other people. To profit from a liberal course of instruction, a person must have an open mind.

To develop an understanding of other people, a person must be able to accept another person as he is. A mind or heart filled with prejudices will be blocked to accepting other people. Prejudices influence our lives much more than we realize; they can determine our friends, our interests, our dress, our food habits.

Brotherhood Week sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews has been set aside to encourage people to take stock of their prejudices, to see to what extent they rule our daily lives and our daily encounters with our fellow men. The stress now is on the examination of our prejudice towards other races and creeds, but we cannot expect to respect and love people of other races and creeds if these qualities do not exist on the home-front, among fellow students, among our Catholic family members.

We cannot dissolve all difference between husband and wife, parent and child, brother and sister, students of art and students of science, faculty and students. However, we can be open to the needs and abilities of others and in this way make the most of our differences. Understanding in the real sense does not stifle freedom and responsibility; it encourages these qualities. Fear, hate, bigotry, and prejudice smother the flame of love in brotherhood and the zeal in freedom.

Catholic Press Month

February is Catholic Press Month. There will be much information written on the history of the press, its coverage, its successes, and its failures. Many Catholics fail to realize one of the most important functions of the Catholic Press: an apostolate through which they can express themselves and ask questions of the Church hierarchy and their fellow Catholics. The Catholic Press is first among the mass media which serve as an instrument of dialogue.

The Council has made a statement insisting that the laity express their opinion through agencies set up by the Church. It encourages this "household dialogue" or exchange of opinions among the members of the Church.

The FONT encourages its readers, mostly members of a Catholic college family, to exchange opinions with or pose problems to its members. This may be achieved by submitting letters to the editor. In this way all members have an opportunity to express themselves on diversified subjects.

The dialogue between members of a family is sincere, straightforward, at times questioning, and sometimes quite informative. Members always seem to profit from this exchange, not necessarily gaining tremendous knowledge, but, at least, understanding one another a little more.

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Is Knighthood Still In Flower?

Mary Siniseal

On Valentine's Day, how will it be
When my white knight comes seeking me?

Will he be as Launcelot in a mighty battle
Dressed to a "T" from clothing to saddle?

Will his "strength be as the strength of ten
Because his heart is pure," and then—

Will he arrive on his gallant white horse
And dash up the stairs to my front porch?

A Sir Walter Raleigh so vast to kneel,
A perfect Achilles (without a heel),
A Gawain who'll always keep his head,
A "plus" Aeneas who'll love ME instead.

Aha! No! It couldn't be.

Does he write his poems in a symphony
But playing his guitar in cacophony
Dressed not in finery for a royal ball
But a man out of Esquire coming to call
And off we go to a Valentine's dance
For a lighthearted evening filled with romance.

And there our hearts will be so gay
As those who lived in King Arthur's day!
Large Group Makes Retreat Between Semester Break

Two hundred and fifty Fontbonne students made the open retreat at the end of the last semester, January 26-28. The renowned liturgist Father Hugh Farrington, O.S.B., was the retreat master. The layman's place in the Church was emphasized during the retreat talks.

Father Farrington is presently teaching at Mount Marty in Yankton, North Dakota. Before the days of interest in liturgy Father was a pioneer liturgist. In his college classes he stresses the meaning of symbol in Scripture. In both his sermons and lectures he brings to light the beauty and meaning of the Word.

Many of the students who made this present retreat commented on the human quality of the talks and the beauty of Father's language. Poetry was never far from his lips by way of illustration.

This open retreat is one of several scheduled by the Dean of Students, Sister M. Teresine. Three closed retreats for Fontbonne students have been provided at Mercy Retreat and Canace Retreat House. Each Catholic student must make one of the retreats set up during the academic year.

Sodalists have retreat

The Sodalists had their own five-day retreat at the semester break at Mercy Retreat House under the direction of the Jesuit priest, Father John. Forty-two Sodalists made this retreat. They returned to campus enthusiastically praising Father's direction during the talks and discussion periods in the evening.

When questioned about the advantages of a closed retreat, several commented on the freedom from distractions of telephone, newspapers, and television.

The topics discussed at the evening sessions covered current subjects of parental responsibility, birth control, Catholic education, and the meaning of prayer in daily life.

Twelve Members Initiated Into National Society

Twelve new members will be initiated into Pi Gamma Mu, National Social Science Society, next Monday evening, February 12. The initiation will take place in Ryan Hall parlor at 5:30, followed by dinner in the cafeteria.

G. Edward Budde, Public Information Officer for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, will speak to the group and show slides of the history of the expansion program and the construction of the Gateway Arch. Mr. Budde will speak after the dinner in the Alumni Room of Medallie Hall and this part of the program is open to the students and faculty.

The members to be initiated into the NU chapter are: Yvonne DeMange, Mary Michael O'Keeffe, Sharon Porta, Jolene O'Heire, Dorothy Rechert, Susan Medygezi-Milschung, Kathleen Schneider, Mary Ann Stochla, Marilyn Stolz, Barbara Wilson, Sister Frances Catherine Maas, CPFS, and Mrs. Ida Ann McKinney.

To be eligible for membership in this organization a student must carry a 3.50 average in at least 20 hours of social studies and be in the upper third of the class in the other subjects. The Fontbonne chapter has 30 active members including some faculty members. The moderator for the campus group is Sister Mary Barat, instructor in history.

Signs of the Times

Othello is now in the Bookstore and King Lear is for sale. What more could one ask for the four-hundredth anniversary of the Bard of Avon.

Bradley Professor Challenges Students at Special Meeting

The college student who graduates without finding the valid answer to the question, "Who am I?" has a college degree but no education. Dr. W. Frederick Elwood, Chairman of the Department of Secondary Education at Bradley University, told a leadership training group last Wednesday night. Approximately 250 members of the group in Human Relations, sponsored by the National Council of Christians and Jews, met at Fontbonne to hear Dr. Elwood discuss the college student and values.

"Most men are afraid to examine their lives in order to find the answer to the question of their own identity," Dr. Elwood maintained. "Most college students," he said, "are basically confused even if they are not hiding a sense of guilt, inadequacy, or anxiety in some abomination."

Is Understandable

However, Dr. Elwood believes that the college student is understandable; his behavior is predictable; and his behavior can be changed. But he must want to solve his problems in order to effect that change and must be provided with an atmosphere which will enable him to solve his problems for himself and in a constructive manner.

Genuine Teacher

This was not Dr. Elwood's first visit to Fontbonne. Last October he was a member of the evaluating team for NCATE (National Crediting Association for Teacher Education). At that time the Fontbonne faculty and students whom he interviewed recognized in him a genuine teacher and leader. His efforts at his own university, Bradley, according to his fellow teachers have been un- stinting to aid students in their personal and intellectual development.

Students Matter

Dr. Elwood's philosophy that the problems of the individual student are important has become a trademark of his teaching. "We get the impression from Dr. Elwood that someone really does care about our well being," any Bradley student will tell you, and then add, "Through his counsel, what we want to do and what we ought to do becomes one and the same."
Fontbonners to Be Brazilians At March Model UN Meeting

Fontbonne College will be represented at the fourth annual Midwest Model United Nations, at the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel, March 3-4, by six students. Those students preparing for this conference were announced by Margaret Stralser, Under-secretary for Public Administration for the MMUN. Margaret Moore, sophomore, will act as head delegate for the delegation. She will be responsible for the co-ordination of the other delegates and general positions and policy statements for the delegation representing Brazil.

Assisting Margaret as ambassadors from Brazil will be Mary Agnes Faust, Mary Kay Wilson, Marlynn Curley, Julie Iversen, and Anne Keller. The Brazilian delegation will have Dr. Rita Adams as advisor. Miss Adams has been guiding the delegation in studying, procuring information, and in the writing of resolutions and position papers.

The MMUN is the largest intercollegiate activity of its kind to be held in the Midwest, and one of the largest Model United Nations ever planned. Schools from the Midwestern states ranging from Minnesota to Mississippi and Colorado to Ohio will present delegations. Dr. John Stoessinger, professor of political science at Hunter College, will be the keynote speaker on March 6. His topic is the "Financial Crisis in the United Nations."

After the conference, plans are underway to form an informal seminar on campus, sponsored through the NFCCS and Student Government. This seminar would have as its purpose to acquaint students with Brazil, and concentrate on its internal situation along with its policies concerning the vital issues in complex world affairs.

Those interested in attending the MMUN and observing any of the sessions should contact Margaret Stralser for information.

Denver Jesuit Aquinas Speaker

Reverend Harry Klocker, S.J., Chairman of the Philosophy Department at Regis College, Denver, will lecture on "Modern Approaches to God," on February 24, at 2:00 p.m., in Fine Arts. This lecture, anticipating the March 7 Feast of St. Thomas, is to be the annual St. Thomas Aquinas lecture.

Father Klocker is the author of Thomism and Modern Thought, a study of the history of philosophy from Kant to contemporary times, published by Appleton Century Crofts, 1961. While Father is in the St. Louis area he will also talk on the same subject at the Newman Club at Washington University.

Speakers Chosen For Regional NCCJ Seminars

A series of six seminars sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews opened this past Wednesday at Fontbonne when Dr. W. Frederick Elwood from Bradley University spoke on "The College Student and His Values." The remaining five seminars to be held at the other colleges and universities in the St. Louis area on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 10:00 will include such prominent St. Louis speakers as Dr. J. B. Ervin, Rabbi Rosenbloom, Mr. Hornbeck from the Ethical Society, and Rev. Vincent O'Flaherty, S.J. The last two will discuss theistic and atheistic views on morality.

Students who attend five out of six seminars will be awarded an Achievement Citation. For further information contact campus representatives Rev Daniel, Joan Dembowski, or Margaret Moore.

MATH COURSE FOR TEACHERS OFFERED ON SATURDAYS

This semester Fontbonne's Math Department is offering Geometry for the Grades for the first time. The course, primarily intended for math minors, is designed to qualify elementary school teachers for handling geometry in today's increasingly rigorous grade school curriculum. Sister Zita Joseph is conducting the class on Saturdays.

The course will be offered for prospective and practicing grade school math teachers again during summer school to help them with the trend toward departmentalization in the grade school.

Delta Selects Eleven "Cum Laude" Students

Reverend Lucas Cervantes, S.J., professor of sociology at St. Louis University, addressed the members of Delta Lambda Sigma, national Catholic scholastic honor society, at their initiation ceremony. Eleven new members were received into the society on February 1, in the Medaille lounge.

Those inducted were Rita Solovitz, senior, and juniors Elaine Endicott, Elizabeth Burton, Edna Van, Susan Kupferer, Kay LaMear, Louisa Linkl, Mrs. Ida Ann McShea, Lydia Prouhet, Mary Ann Webb, and Barbara Wilson.

To be eligible for this society, a student must carry at least a cum laude average at the end of her sophomore year, and give evidence of leadership in the special area of her major subject.
You should have heard my foot-
ball player discuss the Romantic
poets!... I have one who looks
like a Beatle... But two of mine
are close to seven feet tall... 
They told me to keep walking and
never look back, but still I almost
got trampled in the halls yester-
day... We won our first basket-
ball game last night!... All of
mine are so fidgety! They won't
sit still... Do these thoughts
sound like the harried ramblings
of the mother of a large and some-
what unusual family? Well, they
are not. No, they are much more
pertinent to our campus because
they are the comments, timorous
yet buoyant, of those of us who are
now doing our practice teaching
in high schools throughout the area.

This semester thirteen seniors
have once again become part of
that wonderful world of high school,
but this time in the role of teach-
ers, apprentice teachers. In this
new role we are teaching and we
are learning. The latter is still
the more obvious, but neverthe-
less we are beginning to try to
give others something of what
we have been given.

This giving, this teaching, is
going on in seven different fields
and in ten different high schools.

Sophomore on TV Program

Margaret Mary Moore, sopho-
more, was one of the guests on
television's "Quiz a Catholic"
January 17. The object of the pro-
ing is for the panelists to
guess a personality, practice, ob-
ject, or a teaching of the Catholic
Faith which is submitted by view-
ers. Margaret contributed some
key questions to the discussion
which helped solve such stumpers
as the practice of contraception
and the personality of Pierre de
Chardin, G.J.

When asked about her expe-
rience, Margaret said, "It was ex-
travagant to see how television
works--the monitors, timing, and
cameras all around." She said she
was not really nervous and that
she was "happy to represent Font-
bonne College."

The lineup looks something like
this: HOME ECONOMICS: Ann
Aramica--St. Louis High School;
Carlotta Smith--Ladue High
School: Joan Woodlock--Uni-
versity City Senior High School.
ART: Arlene Vargo--Ladue High
School. BUSINESS: Sister Joan Marie
Voss, ADPSS--Rosati-Kain High
School. ENGLISH: Mary Jeanne
Gerrken--Jennings Senior High
School: Angela Harris--Clevel-
dand High School: Mary Margar-
et Moran--Clayton High School.
HISTORY: Kathy McCoy--Cleave-
dand High School. MUSIC: Mrs.
Jill McWilliams--Nipher Junior
High School: Meredith Smith--Bi-
glow DeBourg High School.

The campus chapter of Alpha
Mu Gamma, national college for-
eign language honor society, is
sponsoring a one-day seminar on
February 26, in Medallia Hall.
The general topic is the relation
of culture to literature and his-
tory in France, China, Russia,
and Latin America.
Claude L. Bourclier, dean of the
French School, Middlebury Col-
lege, Vermont, is the guest speak-
er. He will speak in the afternoon
and again in the evening. At 2 p.m.
M. Bourclier will speak in French to
a group of high school and college
French students. The subject is
"Une Heure avec Moliere." M.
Bourclier will include dramatiza-
tions of excerpts from Moliere's
plays. At 8 p.m., he will speak in
English on comedy from Moliere
to Ionesco.

Dr. Stanley Spector, associate
professor of Chinese history at
Washington University, will open
the seminar at 10 a.m. His subject
is the America's Response to a
Changing China.
At 1 p.m., those interested
concerned in Russia will have the opportunity
to hear Ernest Recht, lecturer in
Russian at Fontbonne, speak on
"The Soul of Russia."

Sister Adrienne, C.S.J., instruc-
tor in Spanish at St. Agnus
High School, will speak in
Spanish on socio-economic prob-
lems of Latin America. Sister
took part in a Fulbright Seminar on
Latin America in Bogota last
summer.

Editors Solicit For
Spring Fountain

Genevieve Stenger, advisor for
the college literary magazine, The
Fountain, has announced the edi-
tors for the spring edition. They
are senior English majors An-
gelia Harris and Mary Margaret
Moran. They are at present ex-
amining material written by stu-
dents.

The editors urge any full-time
student who has written within the
current year short stories, fea-
ture articles, research papers or
poetry to submit her work for con-
sideration. The magazine will be
distributed to the students in May.

Pictured here are Beth Burton, Vice-president of Beta Phi chapter of Alpha Mu Gamma: Jeannette Bubash, President; and Brigitte Tolkauder, Secretary. With Sister M. de Chantal, moderator of the chapter and Chairman of the Department of Foreign Languages at Fontbonne, and Joan Harlake, Treasurer of the chapter, they are responsible for the planning of the foreign language and cul-
ture program being presented on February 26.

College Co-sponsors
Famous French Play

Fontbonne is one of the co-
sponsors of Claude's "L'An-
nonce Fait a Marie" presented
by the Trelude de Paris Company
under the auspices of the Govern-
ment of the French Republic.
The performance will be held at
Xavier High School Auditorium
on March 3, at 8 p.m. Contact the
French Department for tickets.
Admission is $2.00.
Bev Daniel Chosen Outstanding Catholic Youth of Year

On January 8, 1965, at 6:45 a.m. a telegram from Washington D.C. arrived at 2539 Tennessee announcing that Bev Daniel had just been chosen Outstanding Catholic Youth of the Year. The purpose of the award is to “spotlight active young Catholics who are contributing time and talents for the betterment of their church and community by active participation in the lay apostolate.”

Bev has been doing just that. She was cultural chairman for St. Pius V parish CYC and received the “Outstanding Catholic Youth Award” in her parish in 1962. Bev was also district cultural chairman and rose to Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Council Cultural Chairman in 1963. In the same year she was named Outstanding Catholic Youth in the St. Louis archdiocese and received the Eagle of the Cross award from Monsignor Louis F. Meyer, Archdiocesan Youth Director.

Bev is presently holding a national office,NCYO Cultural Chairman. Last August she was a delegate from the NCYO to the National Teen Age Conference on Human Rights held at Princeton University. At this conference members of all races and religions met to promote understanding, overcome prejudice and bring back their experiences to the community.

At Fontbonne Bev is a social behavioral science major, a member of the sodality, an NCCJ campus representative, and member of the IBC. Bev also works as a recreation leader at Marquette Community Center.

The Outstanding Catholic Youth Award is presented by a branch of the Youth Department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference (NCWN) in Washington D.C. This branch is composed of the National CYO Federation, NFCCS, and the Newman Club Federation. Each diocese, NFCCS college, and each Newman Club can submit a candidate. The candidates and their qualifications are then reviewed by the national presidents of the respective organizations and five semi-finalists are selected. This year they are from Delaware, New York, and Connecticut. Bev is the first person in St. Louis and in the Mid-West to receive this award. Cardinal Ritter will make the actual presentation on May 22.

Part of the work involved in being National Outstanding Catholic Youth is the task of answering the dozens of letters of congratulations that have been pouring in from all over the country. One in particular, was from Edward V. Long, United States Senator from Missouri.

Since her award Bev has appeared on television on the evening news and on the program “Frankly Speaking” with Lee Kavanooh. Other members of the panel were Sister Jacqueline S.J., Vice President of Webster College; Gene Schwartz, Chairman of the Metropolitan Youth Commission; Arthur Connelly, an advertising agent; and Scott Johnson, Student Council President of John Burroughs High School. The topic under discussion was parents and teenage codes.

An exciting feature of her national CYO office was Bev’s flight to Washington D.C. for a national executive board meeting last weekend.

Existentialism In Modern Drama

Fontbonne students were given an opportunity to discuss existentialism in modern drama at a reading of Jean Paul Sartre’s play, No Exit, in the Arcade Room, February 8, 8 p.m.

Carol Keane, instructor in the Philosophy Department, pointed out the predominant existential themes in the play before the reading and led the discussion period following the reading.

Drama majors Sue Scherger, Anne Sullivan, and Elliot Mittonberger were the readers of lead roles. Mr. Ken Tiker reads the bellboy. Sister Mary Charity, head of the Drama Department, coached the readers.

This program attracted not only the philosophy students and the French majors but also students interested in modern literature. It is one of several planned for the current year to bring together students from different departments.

Remote Preparation

Pictured above are three behind-the-scene promoters of the spring production of MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S DREAM. Susie Weber, sophomore drama major, and Peg Mulroy, junior art major are designing the scenery. Mr. Kay Worshek has written music for the drama to be presented on March 13-14 as part of the Fine Arts Festival.

Delusions on Departmental Developments

The Physical Education department has received administrative approval of the proposed two-million-dollar enclosed football field to be erected in time to preclude any game cancellations in the fall due to inclement weather.

Modern Philosophical Trends

Formerly held in Ryan 307, this meet at the Apollo Arts Theatre beginning Monday.

The French Department urges French scholars and interested students to attend Monsieur Thibault’s stimulating lecture on discotheque dancing to be held in the auditorium on Wednesday at 8 o’clock.

A lecture on current social structures, jointly sponsored by the Sociology and Psychology Departments, will be given Monday in Medaille Ballroom by Miss Mary McCarthy, author of a recent best-seller.

The Education Department announces that practice teaching in those wishing to be certified on the elementary level must be done at Summerhill School or a comparable institution.

All papers assigned in English courses for this semester are cancelled due to the fact that the entire staff of the department is suffering from eye strain.

The Biology and History Departments invite faculty and students to attend a discussion to be led by President Johnson on the international implications of the Common Cold.

The Chemistry Department assumes complete financial responsibility for the recent mishap in a qualitative analysis lab which resulted in the demolition of the campus book store.
Inter-American Conference Attracts 2000 Delegates

Sister M. Avila, head of the History Department at Fontbonne at the second annual Catholic Inter-American Cooperation Program (CICOP) Conference held in Chicago January 27-29, reported that the Conference set a new record in attendance over last year's 1,500 participants.

The closing session heard Joseph Cardinal Ritter of St. Louis pledge that by 1975 ten per cent of the diocesan clergy in his Archdiocese "will be in pastoral service in Latin America." The Cardinal called for a Catholic Program at the national level to help meet the social crisis in Latin America. "For those who are the bishops of the Church, our collegiality involves each of us at the national level in a joint responsibility with each other for the proclamation of the mind of Christ on the subject of regard for the human person and assistance to those in need."

Appeals to individuals, the Cardinal said, will not secure results.

"There must exist a formulated directing force, education in nature, clearly accepting its mission from the Church, fired with zeal for this mission, working through proper authority, possessed of a carefully designed program, reaching down to the local community level, the parish."

Richard Cardinal Cushing of Boston, chairman of the U. S. Bishops' Committee for Latin America, under whose aegis CICOP operates, read to the assembled group of bishops, priests, sisters, and laitymen, a letter from Pope Paul VI in which he praised the Committee's efforts in social reforms in Latin America.

In one of the addresses at the Conference, Juan Cardinal Landínez, Archbishop of Lima, Peru, pointed out two great problems facing the Church in Latin America: "the enormous religious ignorance of the great masses of people, and the appalling shortage of vocations to the priesthood and the religious life."

The Cardinal stressed the need for greater increased personnel for Latin America. He said, "Missionaries are needed to help mold the conscience of the wealthy, and we need missionaries to help enrich the lives of the poor."

CICOP, established in 1963 to alert U.S. Catholics to the social, economic, and religious problems facing Latin America, seeks to develop friendship, understanding and concerted effort for Latin America. Theme of this year's conference was "The Church and Social Revolution in Latin America."

The Sisters of St. Joseph have been interested in the Church in South America. At present they are working in three missions and a government hospital.

Students Observe Teachers in Clinic

Students in Speech Therapy at Fontbonne now have the opportunity to observe their teachers in the Department work with stutterers in the clinic two nights a week.

On Monday nights from 6:00 to 7:30 (for the teenagers) and on Tuesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 (for the adults) three therapists, Sister Marie Damien, Sister Dorothea Marie, and Dr. Madge Shelly work with small groups of four or five.

Those entering these classes, which will be held for four months, February through May, are told there is no magic formula to cure them. The classes, the directors say, are set up to help the stutterer help himself and others in his group.

Juniors and Seniors in Speech Therapy are admitted to these weekly sessions at which they observe, take notes and later discuss with their directors the techniques used in the sessions.

If Wanderlust Should Strike

If the fancy so strikes in spring you can be one of perhaps thirty who are beginning to plan a three-day excursion to New Orleans. The visit is being planned by the French Department and is scheduled for April 19-21.

Sister de Chantal says the trip is open to all Fontbonne students, not just those in the Language Department as was previously announced.

The tour group will travel Jet to and from New Orleans. They will have a conducted tour of the historic spots in the city and live for three days in the Roosevelt Hotel. The cost? Including transportation, lodging, and conducted tours but no meals -- $95.

No, every minute of time has not been planned. The students will have one whole day in which to visit the famous stores of New Orleans and do a little shopping on their own.

Needed in Alaska

Lay Volunteers are needed in Alaska. At present some 65 lay volunteers are serving in 515,600 square miles, helping priests and sisters administer to the needs of 15,800 Catholics. If you are interested in giving one year of your service consult the bulletin board in Ryan Hall for further details.
Student Views

To the Editor:

It has come to our attention that there is to be no student smoker in the new library. What is the reason for this? We all would like to have a quiet place which is conducive to study and in which we could take a break for a quick cigarette without walking to the Arcade or back to the dorm. One of the main reasons that students don't frequent the library is that now there is no area close by where smoking is permitted.

There is also a rumor circulating campus that the student council is again up in arms about the smoking in the cafeteria between 11 and 1. Shouldn't the students themselves be consulted as to whether or not there should be smoking at this time? If smoking has such an effect on individuals, I certainly hope that they are never invited out to dinner. Also, does faculty smoke differ from student smoke? Yes, the faculty certainly should be allowed this privilege but then doesn't that refute the reason given for no smoking - that it bother others while they are eating? If we do smoke are we in the minority, we will be happy to conform to the no smoking rule. All we ask is that the proposition be presented for student vote.

Marc O'Brien

Dear Editor,

As the idea of March approaches, the juniors are facing their own fateful day, the day for writing the Junior Essay. Many of us have been wondering just why we have to write this paper which will be, undoubtedly, a masterpiece of world literature. Every member of the class has to write the essay -- why? Many of us have no desire whatsoever to take part in this aspect of the honors program; why is it required that we do so?

Granted that the books are worthwhile reading and that the discussions can lead to a better understanding of literature, isn't the reading and discussion enough? We are judged to be responsible students in all other aspects; why must we prove that we have read the books by writing an essay? Isn't it enough to read and discuss them? Those who want to unify their thoughts should certainly be free to write the papers; there is no need to demand that all students do so.

Not all of us are blessed with writing skills and we certainly realize our limitations in the field by our junior year, yet we are required to spend an entire morning writing a paper that will surely not be of the desired caliber. What exactly is the purpose of this essay?

Barbara Wilson

To the Editor:

After this semester I will have completed the theology courses which fulfill the requirement at Fontbonne. At this point, I am disappointed. I hoped to have my Baltimore catechism religion updated and developed into mature beliefs. I do not want a faith that is contained within the green covers of a book which can be nicked up and put down at will.

One of Fontbonne's aims is the "formational total woman as a vital member of the People of God." How can we live our faith if we have had no instruction in the practical side of Catholicism?

Besides a practical theology, I would also like to see a course in comparative theology. The spirit of the Church is one aimed at a greater understanding among religions. How can we become a part of this movement if we have not even a basic knowledge of the fundamental beliefs of other faiths?

Theology courses I have taken at Fontbonne are at times interesting, but I want more. I have serious doubts and questions and I need answers.

Betty Lally

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