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On The Inside

In this, our traditional Christmas issue, you will find articles, stories, essays and poetry dealing with the different aspects of Christmas. Editorials appear on page two. Alumni news can be found on page seven, and sports news on page eight.

Solemn High Mass, Sermon December 9

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception was celebrated December 9 with a Solemn High Mass and Sermon. Our rector, Fr. Moran, was celebrant and Frs. McKinney and Rose deacon and subdeacon. Fr. Rosloniec delivered the sermon.

The choir, under the direction of Fr. Thome, sang the proper of the Mass Gaudens Gaudebo and the common from the Missa Salve Regina by Stehle and Arcadelt's Ave Maria as an Offertory motet.

Adaptation of 'Arsenic and Old Lace', Famous Three-Act Comedy, To Be Given Three Performances

An adaptation of "Arsenic and Old Lace" will be presented on the seminary stage December 20, 21, and 22, following a formal dress-rehearsal on December 19 to be viewed by the students. The three performances are for the parents of Grand Rapids students, the Sisters from Grand Rapids and surrounding areas, and the parents of out-of-town students respectively.

This year's drama brings to the seminary stage a tinge of absurdity. The play centers around the supposedly good intentions of two rich old bachelors, Arthur and Henry Brewster (Roger Dunigan and David

Gemuend). Their nephew Teddy (Thomas Novak), whom everyone thinks to be "a little off his rocker" and who thinks he is Teddy Roosevelt; and Mortimer (Fred Erhardt), a young dramatic critic, are the other main characters around whom most of the action centers.

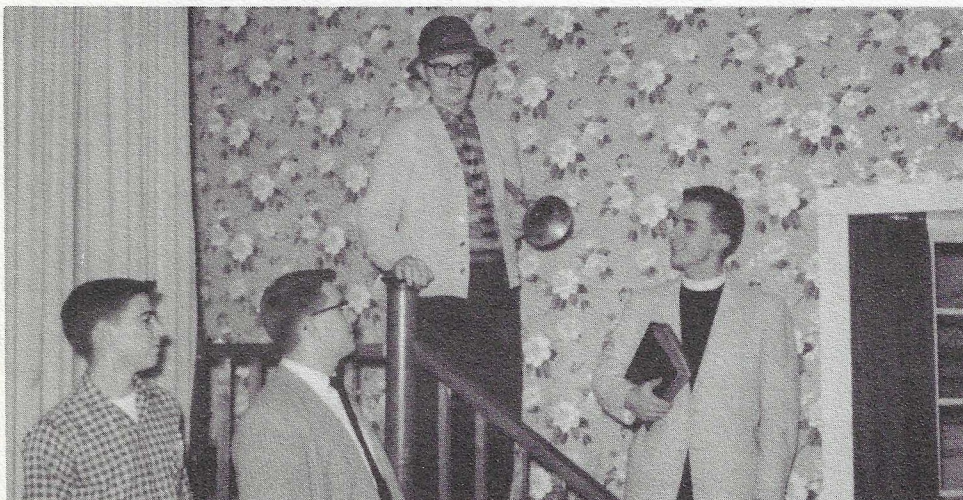
Arthur and Henry Brewster in their boring old age have taken on the "charitable" hobby of bringing lonesome old people to a speedy end with a glass of elderberry wine spiked with a choice mixture of deadly poisons. Mortimer, the only sane man in the family, discovers that his uncles have chalked up quite an enormous score in the performance of their so-called charity and wants to commit poor Teddy to an institution without delay, hoping to push the responsibility of the deaths on him and at the same time putting him in a position where he could not be held responsible.

In spite of diverse difficulties, such as the appearance of his brother Jonathan (Tom Vesbit), recently escaped from an asylum for the criminally insane, Mortimer has Teddy committed to Happy Dale Sanitarium.

Mortimer, when he has learned that he is not really a Brewster and therefore has none of the Brewster family traits, proceeds with his plans for marriage. His plans had been interrupted when of a sudden he realized that he too might one day be like his "uncles" or "brother" Teddy. The curtain falls as Teddy is on his way to Happy Dale, Arthur and Henry preparing to accompany him, Jonathan back in the sanitarium, and Mortimer marrying the daughter of a minister.

The play is directed by Fathers John J. Thome and Robert J. Rose. Eugene Beiter is stage manager.

A Blessed Christmas to All Our Readers



SCENE FROM "ARSENIC AND OLD LACE": Teddy (T. Novak) stands at top of stairs while Arthur (R. Dunigan), Henry (D. Gemuend), and Dr. Harper (J. Wisneski) look on. Photo-M. Danner

Christmas Without Mary

There is a lot of talk these days about Christmas without Christ and keeping Christ in Christmas. It is a praiseworthy movement, one that we should feel bound to support by sending Christian Christmas cards and by our own Christmas observance (and especially by our prayers). But a Christmas without Mary is just as absurd as a Christmas without Christ. Chesterton writes in his The Everlasting Man: "You cannot visit the child without visiting the mother; you cannot in common life approach the child except through the mother. If we are to think of Christ in this aspect at all, the other idea follows as it is followed in history. We must either leave Christ out of Christmas, or Christmas out of Christ, or we must admit, if only as we admit it in an old picture, that those two heads are too near together for the haloes not to mingle and cross." If I may paraphrase the words of Bishop Sheen, today when the mother is separated from her child (which is Birth Control) and from her husband (which is Divorce) a Christmas in which the Babe and the Mother are inseparably united cannot help but do a world of good!

364 Days til Christmas

Christmas is a season we look forward to all year. Even in the commercial world this is evident when immediately after Christmas the banks and loan and trust companies begin their Christmas clubs and the department stores have their half-price sales and lay-aways for next Christmas. We who have much better motives for looking forward to Christmas time might learn a lesson or two from the conduct of the commercial world. The first that we begin to think about Christmas in our prayer life is, at the earliest, the First Sunday of Advent. But we should begin to form the Christmas present that we are going to lay at the feet of the Babe of Bethlehem on December 26, not December 1. Remember, on the Feast of St. Stephen there will be only 364 "shopping" days til Christmas.

CSPA Rating

St. Joseph's Recorder received an "All Catholic Rating" from the Catholic School Press Association for its 1956-57 season. The All Catholic is the top of three ratings, the others being First Honors and Second Honors. 800 points are needed for top honors. The Recorder received 895. We would like to thank Joseph Schmiedicke, last year's Editor-in-chief, for the fine work he did for the paper, and also congratulate him on the CSPA rating.

Look What's Ahead!

December 22, Sunday Beginning of Christmas Vacation
January 5, Sunday End of Christmas Vacation
January 6, Monday Epiphany, Solemn Mass
January 15-17, Wednesday-Friday
First Semester Examinations
January 18, Saturday End of First Semester
January 18-20, Saturday-Monday Forty Hour's Devotion
January 20, Monday ... Beginning of Second Semester
February 3, Monday Feast of Purification, Solemn Mass

Observations On Advent

During the past three weeks we could have observed seminarians preparing for Christmas in several different ways. The stage crew has been hard at work setting up the scenery for the Christmas drama. The personae dramatis have been diligently practising their lines. The Eucharistic committee has been faithful in its duty of keeping burning candles on our Advent wreaths. Even in the refectory we see signs of preparation for Christmas. When the meal is finished we can often see deserts left on the tables uneaten. That of course means that there are some seminarians who are giving up deserts as a part of their preparation for Christmas.

But perhaps the chapel is the best place to look for signs which show how the students are preparing for His birth. Indeed it would be the best place for it is here that we all center our lives. Here we see an increased number of students making longer and more frequent visits to Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

Well now that we have seen all the things that others have been doing we can ask ourselves, "What have I been doing to make Christ's arrival on Christmas morn a more glorious one?" Must I answer that question with, "Nothing", or "Not much"?

A Hearty Thank You

We offer the students who did so much work on the Christmas play our heartiest congratulations. Work on the scenery took much time and effort. The actors likewise had to sacrifice much of their time. May God reward your efforts and may "Arsenic and Old Lace" be a big success!

Msr. Verreau Back

Msr. Verreau, Spiritual Director of the seminary, who has been in the hospital for a number of weeks, is now with us once again. May we assure Monsignor of our prayers for him.

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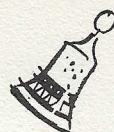
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Christmas

Stranger



Let's Go



Christmas Shopping

Gorden Shepherd had always prided himself on his charity; but as for Christmas dinner - well! As Mr. Shepherd conferred with his wife behind closed doors, their youngster picked up snatches of dialogue: "...has shifty eyes ...probably wanted by the ... What's he want here? Snooping...?"

"But it's Christmas and Billy thought..." At that point Mr. Shepherd's case was lost; and so the ragged, unshaven stranger dined with the Shepherds.

Somehow the usual festive mood of Christmas had given way to an uncomfortable silence. Only Billy's chatter and the Stranger's gruff replies pierced the deep silence. As the two conversed the others surveyed the unwelcome Christmas guest. All could see he was nervous and Mrs. Shepherd even detected a suspicious gleam in his eye as he spied the family silver and her jewelry. But of course Billy would not notice a thing like that.

Billy was, however, busy inquiring about the stranger's family and their gifts. "My kids got nothing. We ain't rich like you Shepherds."

"Your boy doesn't have a sled or a Christmas crib?" Billy asked.

"Are you kiddin'? A sled?" the stranger snarled.

Billy gulped and said, "Well he can have my sled!"

A unanimous shout of disapproval came from the family and metted into pleas of, "be reasonable." But Billy was determined.

Then the stranger rose and blurted out: "I'll take your sled. But I know it ain't any sacrifice for your pa. He could buy a dozen more."

After the stranger left they all felt uneasy. They were glad to retire early that evening. But if anyone had listened, he would have heard the stranger re-enter the house and head for the silver closet. His task of "casing the joint" had been made very simple, thanks to Billy.

The next morning Mrs. Shepherd woke the whole house with a blood-curdling scream. On the floor were strewn the family's jewels and silverware with a sloppy, pencilled note resting nearby. The note read simply:

"Dear Billy,
Your sled's in back.
I ain't got no little boy. Thanks anyhow.

Your friend Karl"
To this very day it remains a mystery to the Shepherds why none of the silver or jewels were missing. And no one was certain whether the stranger had amended his life; that is, no one but Billy.

CAC Plans Christmas Party

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas" is the way a popular song puts it. A traditional carol says "Christmas is coming, the geese are getting fat." All of which reminds one that as soon as a Santa who has all the requirements is found, the plans for the Community Affairs Committee's Annual Christmas Party will be complete. The traditional "get-together" will be held December 21, the evening before we leave for the holidays.

Felix LaPres and Bob Knieper, the College Committee members, are not letting any secrets out of the bag, but they assure us that we have something to which we can look forward. According to a long-standing tradition, one of the items on the program

CHRISTMAS BELONGS

TO CHRIST

Don't leave Him out!

has always been the soprano choir. John Vesbit, their director, tells us that this year's choir is the biggest and best yet.

A College Chorus will sing Richard Kountz's Christmas Cantata "The Wondrous Story". We are expecting a visit from Santa, too, with presents for the Fathers and Sisters, and maybe a few surprises for the students.

That old familiar problem has once again arrived, and will remain throughout the pre-Christmas season, even though it be the day before Christmas, even though it be the very Eve itself. This is the time when everyone asks himself such common questions as "What shall I get Mom for Christmas?" or "What does Dad need?" All too often the only cause for such a problem is lack of observation.

To illustrate: For years you notice that Mom has been using the same worn-out rosary, with at least two beads missing in each decade. Wouldn't a new rosary be a perfect gift and something which will last indefinitely, not to mention the appreciation obtained through it? Another illustration: In borrowing Dad's ties you notice that they are slightly worn out. The best thing to do would be to buy him some ties, a gift which you yourself will appreciate! Or in borrowing Big Brother Bill's socks, handkerchiefs, scarves, gloves, shirts, etc., etc., you see that there does not seem to be enough to go around. For heaven's sake then, use your powers of observation and buy him what he needs! Putting all kidding aside though, it's amazing how a bit of observation will help you on your Christmas Shopping Spree.

Another good point to remember is to be on the lookout for bargains at least three months before Christmas arrives. Then you won't have to be paying unthinkable prices at the last minute for things which you could have bought at half the price a month earlier. Also, wholesale catalogues are a tremendous help, since they offer a very wide selection of gifts at a wholesale price. The only disadvantage in this is that products must be sent away for in time to allow the package to arrive before Christmas. But Christmas shopping becomes much more inexpensive this way.

Books are always good gifts, especially since there are occasional pre-Christmas book sales, but don't go overboard on this idea. In the first place,

people usually like to select their own books, and in the second place people appreciate more useful things as gifts rather than books. Magazine subscriptions are also good to use as gifts.

I find it especially helpful to page through magazines such as Columbia and the Saint Anthony Messenger for gift ideas. There are usually many advertisements in each of these magazines, and even special gift sections, which are tremendously helpful. Most of the time these are reliable sources for bargains. For instance, I was bothered with the problem of what to buy my mother for Christmas, until I saw an advertisement in one of the magazines offering a very beautiful French fryer for the amazingly low price of \$6.95. It seemed to me a very practical and inexpensive gift, and so I ordered it early enough to allow enough time for it to arrive before Christmas.

It is always good to remember people who are especially kind to you, such as neighbors, parents of other close seminarian friends, etc., if your means allow you to do so. The gift does not need to be very large, but something by which you can manifest your thankfulness for their kindness shown to you in many ways. Good practical and inexpensive gifts for these "specials" would be gift packages of food, such as cheese or jelly made by the Trappist Monks, or fruit cake, or even a box of candy. Other "specials" on your list could very well be your pastor or assistant pastor who, as you well know, are very kind and generous to you during the holiday season.

But if your material treasury is empty, remember that you still have a spiritual treasury which is always full, and there could be no finer gift from a seminarian than prayers said or Masses offered for another's intention. "It's not the gift, but the thought behind it that counts", and what better thought could there be than that which unites the benefactor with God for the benefit of the recipient of this gift of prayer?

PUER NATUS EST NOBIS, ET FILIUS DATUS EST NOBIS...

ET VOCABITUR NOMEN EJUS MAGNI CONSILII ANGELUS.

INTROIT
3RD Mass.



P. Tilmann

otto's christmas column



O Tannenbaum!



A number of things have been happening around here lately that would tend to make one suspect that Christmas is near. For one thing, I crawled up to the second floor of the main building yesterday afternoon and was bombarded on all sides by the strained voices of the members of Fr. Thome's Christmas chorus hurrying to learn the Christmas music in time for the first performance of the play. Speaking of the play, there is another indication of the season immediately ahead. Frs. Thome and Rose are holding rehearsals daily. All this hasn't put me in a Christmas mood, however. I guess I'm just not moved that easily.

Before I forget, another sign (good or bad?) is that Felix LaPres is busy looking around for someone to "pinch hit" just in case Santa can't make it to the Christmas Party this year. I, for one, know of two people who went on diets just to avoid Felix's eye. But seemingly having little in the way of perseverance (although they are far from little in most other things) they stopped dieting shortly after starting. They say that it takes twelve days to lose the first pound, and since those first twelve days are absolutely fruitless, why bother with them? This of course constitutes a problem. It is quite difficult to begin on the thirteenth day if there are no twelve preceding days to make it the thirteenth. The best solution seemed to be (in this case) to make up for lost time by eating twice as much as before the diet days began.

Felix LaPres tells me that he is having a hard time deciding on what to give certain of the Fathers for Christmas. I gave him a few suggestions but he apparently didn't care for them, for after each one he said: "Aw, I don't want 'a." So I guess Fr. Thome isn't getting Fr. Weisengoff's car for Christmas and Fr. Leo won't be able to retire.

As ever,
Otto

As it is in homes throughout America, so at our house, trimming the tree at Christmas time is a family affair. Everyone joins in, Pa, Ma, and all the "kids". Each does his part.

Pa's part in the project is always done first. He pays for the tree. (The price that Dad has to pay

for a Christmas tree always seems to him to be too high. It is partly for this reason that our tree stays up after Christmas longer than any tree in the block, and it is partly because Dad likes Christmas trees.) It is also for Dad to set the tree in its stand (it seldom fits properly) and to stand it erect in the living room. But once this is done, he is content to sit in his chair and watch the rest of the "goings-on" from there.

Ma supervises the decorating. She sees to it that the first thing put on the tree is the picture of the Infant Jesus. That she hangs from the very top branch. Then once the lights are in place all the kids join in to hang the tinsel and the bulbs.

I am sure that tree-trimming in our house is little different from that in any other home. The glass ornaments can last only as long as they can withstand the affection and admiration of the young folks. The baby must be made to understand that the tinsel was not made for her to eat. The other youngsters must be told, before they learn for themselves, that glass ornaments do not bounce well.

The job is soon done, however, and everyone seems well-pleased with the results. Ma tells Dad what a nice tree he bought, and that makes Dad think that his investment was worth while after all. And the kids are fired with the prospect of a prosperous Christmas morn.

Felix LaPres
II College

Shepherds, Stop and Rest Awhile!

Shepherds, stop and rest awhile!
Enter in the lowly cave
Lighted from on high.
Rest your burdens at His feet.
Leave your sheep. Come nigh.
Burdened hearts are here relieved,
Deadened souls revived.
Here the Mother holds her Son,
Expected One arrived.
Shepherds, stop and rest awhile!

Shepherds, stop and rest awhile!
Angels met you on the plain,
Greeted you with song,
Told you of the Newborn King,
Bade you move along.
Why your hesitation now?
What dispelled your zeal?
Lo! The Babe awaits your love.
At His manger kneel.
Shepherds, come and rest awhile!



Shepherds, stop and rest awhile!
Enter in the lowly cave,
To the crib make haste.
From a manger filled with love
Infinite Sweetness taste!
God of God and Light of Light
Now a tiny child—
Woman fashioned by His hand
Now His Mother mild.
Shepherds, stop and rest awhile!

Charles Wainwright
II College

Debates Assigned

Msgr. Martin, on December 5, assigned to the senior class their debate topics. Unlike last year, the orations will follow the debates which will begin shortly after the second semester begins. Also unlike last year, both the Junior and Senior divisions of SCAS will witness the entire series of debates.

Musical Program For Christmas

Featured along with the Christmas Play will be a special Christmas chorus to sing Christmas music in four-part male arrangements.

Max Reger's "The Virgin's Slumber-Song" will be sung in an arrangement by Max Scheiger.

"Rise Up Early" from Richard Kountz's series of Slovak Carols is another on the program.

The chorus will sing an old Besançon carol arranged by Sir John Stainer (composer of the famed Cru-cifixion): "Shepherds! Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep".

George B. Nevin's "Hark! A Burst of Heavenly Music" is one of the less familiar but more beautiful of carols.

Two traditional carols complete the program: A. Adam's "Christmas Song" (the famed "O Holy Night") and the old Welsh traditional "Deck the Halls".

saint joseph's alumni section

What's It Like at Plymouth?

We are beginning to think that there is something else on the curriculum of Saint John's Seminary, Plymouth, besides the two occupations about which our alumni there always seem to report to us. Besides swinging clubs on their golf course and spinning bowling balls down the new lanes of their recently completed gymnasium, our alumni report that there is also such a thing as study. In fact, they even have exams, believe it or not. An average day in the first year of a theologian there goes something like this: Rise at 6:00 A.M., prayers, meditation, and Mass at 6:25, and breakfast at 7:50. Classes begin at 9:00 and end at 12:05, with approximately a 15 minute break between each class. Then follow Scripture Reading and Particular Examen, and then dinner. At 1:30 comes either a study period or a class, which lasts until 2:30, and then the theologians take recreation. Then comes more study from 3:30 until 5:40, at which there is time to study until lights out at 10:30. Tuesday and Thursday afternoons are free.

St. Joe's is represented at St. John's by 22 alumni, in the persons of Eugene Sears, Richard Ratajczak, Joseph Ryan, James Sullivan, Patrick Barrett, John Giammona, Gaylord Szymanowski, John Westdorp, Edward Boucher, Dale Magoon, Terrence Yule, Norman Zielinski, and James Fellows; and also those who are enjoying their first year at St. John's: Joseph Aubin, Ro-

bert Badra, Thomas Dominiak, Leo Gengler, David Le Blanc, Robert Mankowski, Gerald Schneider, James Thelen, and Anthony Vainavicz.

With the hope that these alumni will not catch cold on the golf course, and with the request that they keep the gymnasium spotless until we get there, we wish them all success in pursuing their studies and perseverance in reaching their goal.

Ordinations at Rome

Two of our alumni have completed their theological studies in Rome and were ordained to the Holy Priesthood on December 15, 1957. John F. Porter and Robert H. Bissot, of the Class of 1952, were ordained in the chapel of North American College in Rome in a ceremony at which the parents of both were present. The parents left for Rome from Michigan December 12, on a plane specially chartered for the parents of all the American ordinands.

Father Bissot offered his first Mass at the tomb of Saint Monica, in the Church of Saint Augustine in Rome. The Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in the Church of Saint Alphonsus was the place where Father Porter offered his first Mass. We offer our heartiest congratulations to Fathers Porter and Bissot, and pray that God will fill their sacerdotal lives with His richest blessings.

The graduates of the class of 1957 have been scattered in every direction for their study of philosophy. The following is a brief report from some of their new homes.

BALTIMORE: We have heard only a few things from Baltimore's North Side and St. Mary's Seminary there. We do know, however, that a periodic pest visited the seminary in late November, namely exams. The students also saw Navy's football team tie Duke's 6-6.

One day two of our newsless alumni from Washington, J. Schmiedicke and G. Ancona visited Baltimore, and later on some of our alumni returned the visit on their one-day Thanksgiving leave.

ORCHARD LAKE: Larry Pashak interrupted a fourth game of pool to give us the "low-down" from SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary here. He too survived the quarterly exams of early November. Larry and Phil Maslowski, our other alumnus here, did not go home for Thanksgiving, so they are very anxious to begin their 21 day Christmas vacation. The evening before Thanksgiving, however, Larry went to Detroit and saw the opera "Carmen".

He further reports that the choir master knows a good voice when he hears one; in other words, Larry is in the choir. The seminary choir has been rather busy lately preparing to make a tape for Radio Free Europe and a recorded half hour program for station WJR at Detroit.

WORWOOD: November proved to be an exciting month at Mount St. Mary's of the West near Cincinnati. At the beginning of the month a week of ceremonies and festivities marked the consecration of the new St. Peter in Chains Cathedral. The seminary choir went down to sing about four times and Steve Vesbit swears that it was the best that he has ever heard a choir sing. On the final day, Bishop Albers of Lansing celebrated a Pontifical Mass in the presence of some 74 bishops and 2 cardinals. To mark the occasion and in gratitude for the choir's services, Archbishop Alter of Cincinnati declared the Friday after Thanksgiving a free day for the seminary.

Our alumni here spent

Thanksgiving in a variety of ways. Dave Hawley and Paul Johnson saw the new cinerama, "Search for Paradise." Jim Rudnik went riding and visiting while others went bowling, swimming or ice skating.

DETROIT: It took Ron Fries 6 days to do it, but he finally wrote and told us about life at Sacred Heart Seminary in the Motor City. Ron says that although he missed St. Joe's, he has come to love his new home. One of the things that he especially likes is the cafeteria-style refectory. Thanks to Ron's help, their class beat the 1st college in football to win the coveted Brown Jug. He also says that a few weeks ago they saw their fifth movie this year; this time it was a thrilling Western.

Al Theis has returned from a six week stay in New York, during which time he had two more operations on his ears. We wish Al the best of luck and assure him of our prayers.

ST. PAUL: From the banks of the Mississippi we have word that all is well with Ed Konieczka. Ed is our sole alumnus at St. Paul Seminary here but he does not mind that a bit.

Well, that about covers the class of '57. Oh yes, there is Washington D.C. where we think that Joe Schmiedicke was sent this Fall; but I think that is just one of those nice rumors. Evidently, though, the cat's got Joe's pen or the pony express did not make it this time. But we hope that he and all our alumni at Catholic University will in the future take time out from their 27 hours of classes a week to write us occasionally.

Tu Es Sacerdos...

JOHN F. PORTER

ROBERT H. BISSOT



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DECEMBER 15, 1957

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Weight and Speed Decide Outcome

With a cold, biting wind blowing over the seminary campus, our football sea-

son came to a flourishing close. On November 24 the College team went to the scrimmage line to face a team representing the four High School classes, coming away victors by a score of 31-0.

Superior weight and speed was the all-important and decisive factor in this gridiron tilt, the final game of the season, played at Sandburr Stadium. A crowd of some 153 well-bundled rooters looked on from the sidelines as the College nine bulled its way through the High School line for large gains on the ground. The College aerial attack made itself felt even more when quarterback M. Haviland hit P. Kolbiaz (E.), R. Knieper (G.), and T. Sabourin (HB) for three of the four touchdowns scored in that big first quarter. After Sabourin had added his six points, Haviland ran the ball for the only extra-point made in the game. Towering E. Zickus accounted for the other touchdown of the first period when he intercepted a pass uncoiled by High School quarterback G. Lobbezoo and galloped into the end zone. That ended the scoring until Zickus repeated himself in the final period by intercepting another pass and going all the way to give the College its wide margin of victory.

Although it was evident that the game was as good as decided by the end of the first half, yet the High School nine never stopped trying to get that spark that would lead them to a touchdown or perhaps more, but the fine rushing line of the College and an effective pass defense, which limited the High school team to only one first down, served to do away with any possible threat of a touchdown.

Students See CC Stage Upset

The entire student body attended the last game of the football season on Nov. 15, which was played at Houseman Field. Grand Rapids C.C. defeated the powerful Muskegon C.C. team, 20-19.

Class Games

II COLLEGE 0

I COLLEGE 12



I COLLEGE 26

IV HIGH 0

IV HIGH 6

III HIGH 18



III HIGH 27

II HIGH 0



II HIGH 52

I HIGH 0

SPORTS SPOT

The footballs have all been put away now except for a few stray ones flying around our campus. My mind, however, still falls back to the football season.

It is true that all our sports are intra-mural but they have the spirit of any Big Ten or even Notre Dame game. All the players have the same intention; they all want to do their best for their teams. This gives all of our games a savor that cannot be beat. This grand spirit was exhibited in all the class games and especially in the High School-College game. Despite the fact that the High School team was facing a far superior team they had that will to do their best.

Our soccer fans are out at it again as usual. Paul Milanowski, Richard Menzel and fellow enthusiasts can be seen on the campus when

there is snow on the ground, kicking an old ball around. The soccer players are rewarded with tired and bruised muscles.

The basketball season is quickly approaching. The gym is full of students practicing their shots for the coming season, which should prove to be very interesting and exciting. The senior division has inaugurated a new system for their league. This system will utilize two divisions, thereby making the game more interesting for all. This system will give all players an opportunity to play more extensively in the game. And so all toll there is a lot to look forward to in our coming season.

To those who were able to make it this far, I say thank you for your time. And to all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

JAS