

School News

St. Mary's High School

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Last week the students of St. Mary's took nine-weeks tests. Because of a two-day Easter vacation this week, and a student retreat the rest of the week, report cards will not be given until April 10.

The student retreat will be given by the Rev. William Stone of Madras. There will be no regular classes during the three days, when high school students concern themselves with spiritual advancement.

A sharing assembly was held recently to inform the student body of the recent activities in which various students had represented St. Mary's. Anne Bennett, Bryan von Buskirk, Florian Shasky, and Mike Lewis told of their experiences on Student Government Day when they held city offices.

Jennifer Espey, Laura Batzer and Pete N'ames spoke on their trip to the Catholic Youth Conference held in Salem. Tom Depner related his experiences at the Oregon State Legislature. Tom and a dozen other leading students from the Catholic schools of Oregon were given special opportunities to understand the operation of the legislature by Leo Smith, Portland attorney, who has been with the legislature for almost two decades.

Fred Burich and Ric Carrara summarized their trip to the All Northwest Choir, which had presented a concert the previous week in Spokane.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of last week, the senior American problem class staged a mock United Nations assembly meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the students of the problems and questions which face the countries of today.

Each student in the two American Problems classes represented a major and a minor country. A president was elected for each of the two days—Bryan von Buskirk, Tom Depner, and Mary Hill.

An agenda and a set of resolutions were drawn up so students could prepare state, national and international resolutions. The agenda was the behind-the-scenes work that makes parliamentary procedure effective. Some of the questions discussed were the Laotian problem, Red China's admission to the U.N. and the reunification of Germany.

Leading Forester To Visit College

Corvallis - One of Europe's leading foresters, Dr. Eino Saari of the University of Helsinki, Finland, will be a visiting professor at Oregon State college during the next three months.

He will deliver a series of lectures at OSU during April, May and June under the auspices of the Louisa W. and Maud Hill Family foundation.

Saari has taught forestry at the University of Helsinki since 1916 but in addition has directed forest economic research, served as a director for Finland's largest bank and largest industrial forestry concern, has headed Finland's liberal political party, and served as a member of the National Parliament for four years.

In 1956-57, he was minister of social affairs in the Finland national cabinet. He has traveled and studied throughout the world as a representative of the United Nations Food and Agricultural organization and as a visiting scholar.

Saari is the fifth internationally known forester brought to Oregon State college under sponsorship of the Hill Family foundation for the special lectures.

Local Youth Named To OTI Committees

Roger Hooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Esp, 889 Olympic st., Medford, has been named chairman of the publicity committee and a member of the tickets committee for a style show to be held on Campus Preview day at Oregon Technical Institute, Klamath Falls, Saturday, April 15.

The day is planned for high school seniors. Hooper will work with a style show sponsored by the Order of the O Friday and Saturday nights.

Saturday's program will include class visits and demonstrations, tours and entertainment. High school seniors from throughout the state may make reservations by writing to the office of student affairs at OTI.

defeated in their work-battalion plans for aiding underdeveloped lands.

The Marian Choir sang for the Kiwanis luncheon at the country club recently. The songs were religious numbers for Easter: "Haec Dies," "O Bone Jesu," and "Alleluia," and three lighter numbers: "Black is The Color of My True Love's Hair," "Elijah Rock," and "Open Thy Heart." The choir was under the direction of Sister Mariam Joseph. Tom Adams was the accompanist. After the program the choir was presented with a certificate of appreciation by the Kiwanis club.

For the remainder of the year, four Sodalis will represent the St. Mary's High School Sodality at the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine meetings. The confraternity, a Catholic action group whose main work is teaching catechism, has been aided in its work by many of the Sodalis who have helped in Saturday morning instruction for children, baby sitting for parents who attend CCD meetings, and other activities. The four representatives are Patty O'Hara, Jennifer Espey, Sarah Robinson and Mary Ann Carnegie.

Walker, Ashland

Students in Mrs. Marilyn Wright's first grade have planted squash and pumpkin seeds. Some of the plants have sprouted.

Miss Gladys Owen read an Easter story to the students during library time. She also made some rabbit book marks for them to color.

Mrs. Judy Paulsen's second grade students tell of two additions to the room—two goldfish named Gooty and Popeye. The goldfish and bowl were bought with the PTA prize money.

The room was decorated for Easter with 3-D Easter lilies and tulips, "turn-about" bunnies, and fancy, giant Easter eggs.

Marvin Gettling's room students had a scavenger hunt. Carol Markham, Panola Witt, Fred Neal, and Lavina Enblom will receive a book from the paperback book library if they finish the hunt.

In health, Mr. Gettling's room had reports on safety. The five groups and their chairmen were safety, Fred Neal; accidents, Paul Brown; community safety, Peggy Austin; first aid, Lavina Enblom; and home safety, Dick White. The class had as a visitor Shiela Hutchinson, of Seattle, Wash., who told about her school and city.

Mary Hill, Tricia Walker, and Kenneth Boettcher of Miss Allene Inlow's fifth grade class wrote letters to a student in Fresno, Calif., in reply to her request for information about Ashland and Oregon. Each enclosed some postcards and folders for the Fresno class to study.

Mrs. Kittle Robertson is teaching girls' baseball. About 45 fifth and sixth grade girls are participating in this activity. They meet on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

John Cady, a fifth grade teacher, is teaching boys' baseball. Mr. Cady divided the boys into four teams. He chose four captains, two from each grade: Kent Carter, and Tim Richards, sixth grade; and Gary Spruill and Greg Kling, fifth grade.

Walker school PTA held its regular meeting recently with the Walker school chorus, orchestra, and the junior high school orchestra furnishing the program.

Four string quartets from the junior high school played as a specialty.

Walker band students have been congratulated on the fine job they did in representing Ashland in the Grants Pass band festival recently.

It was the first time Ashland has had grade school participation in the band festival. Judges were band directors at Willamette university and Oregon State college.

Ratings were superior, excellent, good, fair, and poor. The contest was composed of vocal, piano, brass, strings, woodwinds divisions.

Student teachers assigned to Walker School for the spring term are Mary Lou Klann, Richard Lillebo, Shirley Irwin, and Charles Parmenter.

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