

# **Black and White**

## **And Read All Over**

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Select newspaper articles about Sacred Heart Academy in Mount Pleasant, Michigan, between 1888 and 1927. Compiled by Mike Voisin ([mvoisin@gmail.com](mailto:mvoisin@gmail.com)).

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## Church Cornerstone

The laying of the corner stone of the Catholic church was accomplished in due form Wednesday in the presence of a very large audience. Bishop Richter was assisted by Revs. Father Crowley, Father McNamara and Father Lefevre in the ceremonies which were conducted entirely in Latin. These services were solemn and impressive. The stone which is a large one—2 ft. 6 in. by 2 ft. 8 in. and 20 in. high—was mortised on the bottom to receive the tin box containing various souvenirs in the way of documents, coins, etc. At the proper time in the ceremonies the box was placed in the mortise and cemented and the stone placed in position. The south face of the stone has these words carved into it: "Church of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, 1888." A large cross appears on this face and also upon the other two sides exposed to view. Part of the ceremony included the sprinkling of the walls around the entire church with water that had previously been blessed at a point where the altar will stand. After the ceremonies the people all assembled in the church where a very strong and interesting sermon was delivered by Father Thomas McNamara. "The "Church of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus" will now be pushed to completion and will be an edifice of which all will be proud.

August 24, 1888

Source: "Digital Michigan Newspaper Portal," database, Central Michigan University Library, CMU Online Digital Object Repository ([digimichnews.cmich.edu/](http://digimichnews.cmich.edu/); downloaded 16 May 2019), Isabella County Enterprise, August 24, 1888, page 1.



## Academy Building

B. J. Millöy of Mt. Pleasant visited here Sunday. He has been working the past summer on the Sacred Heart academy and reports the building nearly completed. When finished it will be really creditable to the city.

October 2, 1908

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## Academy Opening

Opening of Sacred Heart Academy  
November 25th, at 7 p. m.

November 20, 1908

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Online Digital Object Repository ([digmichnews.cmich.edu/](http://digmichnews.cmich.edu/): downloaded 16 May 2019), Isabella County  
Enterprise, November 20, 1908, page 10.

## Academy Opening

**School To Be Opened.**

The fine new school of the Sacred Heart parish will be opened next Wednesday evening with appropriate services.

Following is the program to be rendered:

Piano Solo	
Vocal Duet	
Address,	Rev. T. J. O'Connor
Address,	Mayor Snider
Violin Trio	
Address,	Hon. Francis McNamara
Ave Marie	
Address.	Prof. White
Vocal Solo	
Address,	Dr. James McEntee
Quartette	
Address,	Prof. Graun
Piano Solo	

November 20, 1908

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## Academy Opening

### **The Sacred Heart Academy.**

The new school building for the Sacred Heart Academy is rapidly approaching completion and when it is done there will be none more convenient, more elegant and none more substantial anywhere.

Workmen are busy finishing the woodwork, painting, varnishing and decorating and soon it will be ready for occupancy.

November 20, 1908

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## Academy Opening

### The Fine New Sacred Heart Academy School Building



The school building was dedicated on Wednesday evening of this week with a reception to the townspeople. The young ladies Sodality of the parish had charge of the program which consisted of music and addresses. The building will be occupied by the school next Monday morning.

November 27, 1908

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## Academy Opening

### **Sacred Heart Academy.**

The formal opening of the new Sacred Heart Academy took place on Wednesday evening, November 25th. A reception under the direction of the Young Ladies' Sodality was ably and tastefully carried out. Guests were received at the north entrance and shown through the brilliantly lighted halls and rooms on both floors. One of the class rooms was decorated with chrysanthemums and smilax and here the guests were served with refreshments. The Indian school band which was stationed in the upper hall, played many delightful numbers giving a sense of pleasure and eclat to the occasion.

After an inspection of the building the visitors assembled in the auditorium where addresses were given by the pastor, Rev. T. J. O'Connor, President Grawn of the State Normal, Superintendent White, Mayor Snider, Dr. McEntee and Frank McNamara. All the speakers congratulated the pastor and the parish and the city of Mt. Pleasant upon the possession of so magnificent a building and voiced the hope that the common cause of education for the uplift of the human race, will continue to keep pace with its material environments.

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December 4, 1908

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## Feast Day

### Feast Day

Tuesday evening being the close of school at the Sacred Heart Academy for two weeks' vacation a fine program was rendered by the pupils in honor of the Feast of St. Thomas. A number of parents and friends were present. Much credit is due the pupils and the sisters for their work. The following program took place:

Opening March

Chorus, "Awake! Awake!"

Address to Our Pastor,

Clara O'Brien

"To the Woods Away"

Violin Solo, Dreamy Moments,

Ellen McNamara

Song, "Sailing" High School Boys

Recitation "The Children"

Alethia Taylor

Piano Solo, "Valse Brillante,"

J. McNamara

Recitation, Selected, Sara Garvin

"The Irish Philosopher"

Ellen McNamara

Vocal Trio "The Angel" Senior Girls

December 23, 1910

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## Fair

### SACRED HEART FAIR

#### Will be Held in Skating Rink

Members of the Sacred Heart parish, men, women and children, give a sale and festival all of next week beginning Monday night in the basement of the church with an entertainment by the school children and continued the rest of the week in the skating rink by older people.

An effort is being made to raise a large amount of money to finish paying off the debt on the new academy building.

The rink will be prettily decorated and numerous attractive booths will be arranged about the large hall and suppers will be served every night by the different committees.

Donations for the sale have been very generous from local and outside firms and there will be a valuable line of miscellaneous goods to sell. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the parish and their friends, Catholic and non-Catholic and the public in general to attend. This promises to be one of the greatest events ever held in the city.

Commencing Monday night with the pupils of the Sacred Heart Academy, held in Sacred Heart hall, the senior girls will serve refreshments from 4 to 6 o'clock. Following, a program will be given by the high school boys, which, of course, will be good.

On Tuesday night, a valentine social and supper by the Young Ladies Sodality. The hall will be appropriately decorated for the date. A post-office will be in operation with Miss Mary Ryan, postmistress, and Miss Kate Rush assistant. A real (?) gipsy will be on hand to tell your fortune. The reception committee: Misses Margaret Kane and Kate McGuire and others. Refreshment committee: Misses Jo Kane and Mayme Shanahan and others. There will be other amusements for the evening.

One of the great attractions at the rink Tuesday night will be the Valentine features and gipsy fortune teller.

Wednesday night the married ladies will serve supper and hold a sale of many useful articles. Madams Mike Kenney, William Barz, Henry Dittmann and Mrs. M. S. Garvin assisted by other ladies of the parish will have charge of Wednesday's doings.

Thursday night the married men will show what they can do; they will have a wheel of fortune there during the week's entertainment; that night a contest between the four best plowmen in Isabella county. Con Gleason, Dennis Murphy, John Greer, and Joe Clare.

A prize will be given away each night at the close of entertainment.

Booths of different kinds will be arranged.

Fancy booth: Miss Marie Leahy, Anna Collins, Susie Manion, Marie McKinnon.

Candy booth: Misses Margaret Garvin, Bessie Murphy assisted by others.

Ice Cream: Misses Katherine Sheehan, Marietta Ryan, Bland Sweeney and others.

A fish pond will also be of interest to the children.

Contest between the two most prominent young men, Charles Smithers, a K. C., and Joe Campbell, an Elk, with a \$35.00 sewing machine for a prize.

Among the prizes to be given in the contest, are: A kitchen cabinet, donated by Gorham Brothers, for the best lady cook in Isabella county. The six ladies competing in this contest are: Mrs. Frank O'Hara, Mrs. John Carey, Mrs. James Burns, Mrs. H. A. Foster, Mrs. Frank Seibel, and Mrs. M. Kenney.

There are five prizes to be given away, one each night:

Monday night, a \$20 gasoline stove.

Tuesday night, a \$10 mirror

Wednesday night, a \$10 mattress

Thursday night, an \$18 suit clothes

Friday night, a \$25 heating stove.

The fair closes Friday night when a fine supper will be served by the bachelors of the parish.

The committee on music are: P. C. Taylor, H. A. Foster, and Harry Kane. It is expected that the Indian school band will be secured for one evening.

Admission of 10c will be charged, and this gives you a chance to draw one of the prizes which will be given away each evening.

February 10, 1911

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## Alumni Reception

### Alumni Reception

The tenth annual alumni reception of Sacred Heart Academy was held last evening. A fine banquet was served and the following program given:

Toastmaster - - Ligouri Carey  
"Welcome to New Class"

Thos. McNamara  
Response - - Elizabeth Murphy

Introduction of Toastmaster  
F. B. McCann, Pres.

"What It Means to be a Sacred Heart  
Alumni" - Rev. Fr. O'Connor

Vocal Solo - , - Hayden Gallagher

"The Faculty" - Margaret Munro

Vocal Solo - - Sarah Garvin

"Our Future" - Beatrice Dondero

June 28, 1912

Source: "Digital Michigan Newspaper Portal," database, Central Michigan University Library, CMU Online Digital Object Repository ([digmichnews.cmich.edu/](http://digmichnews.cmich.edu/); downloaded 16 May 2019), Isabella County Enterprise, June 28, 1912, page 1.

## Statue

| A beautiful statute of the holy  
rosary was received by Fr. O'Connor  
Wednesday for Sacred Heart academy. |

November 1, 1912

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Online Digital Object Repository ([digmichnews.cmich.edu/](http://digmichnews.cmich.edu/); downloaded 16 May 2019), Isabella County  
Enterprise, November 1, 1912, page 7.

## Convent

### Home From Convents

The alumni of the Sacred Heart academy is having a pleasurable week visiting with several of their number who have entered the convents of Saginaw and Grand Rapids and are at their homes now on a vacation. There are Sisters Geraldine, Euphrasia, Jerome, Winifred, Electa, Mary Grace, Estella and Sister Florian; who will be better recognized by their baptismal names: Nell Kenney, Mary Sullivan, Sarah Smithers, Eleanor McKenna, Elizabeth Miller, Mary Ellen Fraser, Mary Hackett, and Agatha Kyser.

July 25, 1913

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## Academy Laboratory

Next Tuesday evening the L. C. B. A. will hold their regular meeting followed by an experience social programme and dancing for the benefit of the new laboratory in the Sacred Heart Academy. All members are requested to be present and invite their friends. Mrs. Purtill, recorder.

February 20, 1914

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## Enrollment

### City Schools Open

The bells called the Mt. Pleasant youths to school Tuesday and the work for the next year is now getting well under way. The attendance is large, there being 235 enrolled at the high school, 127 at the Fancher, 98 at the Kinney. This does not take into account the large number who will attend the Normal training school.

At Sacred Heart Academy there are nearly 300 in attendance.

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September 11, 1914

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## Commencement 1915

### Commencement at Academy

A class of thirteen was graduated from the Sacred Heart Academy with an address by Fr. Ryan, of Grand Rapids, Monday night. "The following program was presented by the school pupils:—

Vocal music,	-	High school chorus
Opening address	-	Joseph McIsaac
Reading	-	Evelyn O'Brien
Violon duet	-	Misses Veeder
Reading	-	Loretta McDonald
Solo	-	Edward FitzGerald
Address to graduates		Rev. Fr. Ryan
Diplomas presented by		

Rev. T. J. O'Connor

Owing to the recent death of the Mother Superior of the Dominican order, the usual festivities of the end of the school year were eliminated from commencement week. The graduates are: Charles McDonald, Thomas O'Hara, Frank Quinlan, Joseph McIsaac, Collin McRae, Margaret Powell, Loretta McDonald, Anna O'Hara, Evelyn O'Brien, Rose Mitchell, Marguerite Brust, Agatha Manausa, and Marie O'Brien.

June 25, 1915

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## New School Year

The Sacred Heart Academy opens Monday with twelve sisters in charge this year, all new teachers except two. Two teachers have been added to instruct in Latin and music.

August 27, 1915

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## Priests

William McCann, a student who is spending the summer with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. McCann, assisted Fr. O'Connor with the first high mass celebrated at the Sacred Heart church by Fr. Brogger, the recently appointed assistant priest in this parish.

August 27, 1915

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## Enrollment

Sacred Heart Academy  
The attendance at Sacred Heart  
Academy is about 295.      •  
This makes an enrollment of 810  
in the city aside from the training  
school, which last year was 300.

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September 17, 1915

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Online Digital Object Repository ([digmichnews.cmich.edu/](http://digmichnews.cmich.edu/); downloaded 16 May 2019), Isabella County  
Enterprise, September 17, 1915, page 1.

## Retreat

Father Mulvey of Alma spoke  
Wednesday evening to the young  
ladies attending the retreat at the  
Sacred Heart church.

July 14, 1916

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Enterprise, July 14, 1916, page 5.

## Retreat

Fathers O'Connor and Brogger are conducting a retreat this week for the young ladies of the Sacred Heart parish. Each service has been largely attended.

July 14, 1916

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## Vacation

The Sisters of the Sacred Heart  
academy close their house to-day and  
leave the city to spend their vacation  
elsewhere.

July 14, 1916

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Enterprise, July 14, 1916, page 5.

## Orchestra

### A SPLENDID ENTERTAINMENT

#### Fancher School Won Many High Compliments

Last Friday evening an entertainment was given at the opera house by the pupils of the Fancher school in connection with the graduating exercises of the Palmer writing club.

The music under the direction of Miss Marie Taylor was splendid and showed painstaking work. Miss Nellie Welch had charge of the drilling and her work also showed remarkable ability. The orchestra of the Sacred Heart Academy played the accompaniment for the chorus and furnished several fine selections. The program for the entertainment was as follows:

Selection	Orchestra
Story of a Seed	Fourth Grade
Tin Whistle Band	Fourth Grade
Selection	Orchestra
Operetta—"Strange Nations"	

	Palmer Method Club
Selection	Orchestra
Awarding of Diplomas and Buttons	
	Supt. G. E. Ganiard

The operetta "Strange Nations" was worthy of special notice. There were characters representing the leading nationalities of the world. After a grand march the affair end-

ed by a beautiful pageant with the Goddess of Liberty and Uncle Sam as the central characters. As the orchestra and the chorus of 125 voices rendered "America" and the "Star Spangled Banner," the audience arose and at the conclusion gave prolonged applause.

The entertainment was so successful that a great number of requests have been received urging that the performance be repeated and it is likely the people of Mt. Pleasant will soon have another opportunity to see this splendid and timely entertainment.

After the operetta forty pupils received Palmer method awards for excellence in writing. The superintendent in presenting the awards spoke of the splendid results obtained from the pupils in writing under the supervision of Miss Welch. The majority of the pupils of the grammar grades have already received awards and before the school year closes about fifteen or twenty more pupils will have received awards.

May 11, 1917

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## Enrollment

### Sacred Heart Academy.

The enrollment at Sacred Heart academy, far from being brought down by the war, is greater than ever, the number of children in school being 350. One hundred and six are in the high school department. The growing demand for business education necessitated the addition of a commercial course to the regular high school courses. Although the courses begun cannot be laid aside or even divided, many of the pupils are undertaking the new commercial work.

The music department gives promise of being as well patronized as formerly, the number of private pupils increasing daily. The orchestra looks forward to great advances, especially since the purchase of new drums and wind instruments.

The last week in September, the literary society will elect officers and outline its work for the year. The society expects to secure C. E. W. Griffith, Shakespearian reader, for readings from King Lear, Hamlet, Macbeth and Julius Caesar, the last of October.

This makes a total enrollment, outside the Normal training school, of 987. Allowing 250 for the training school, the city would have a school enrollment now of 1238, and that will be increased probably ten per cent.

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September 7, 1917

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## Boiler Problems

The Sacred Heart Academy is closed this week because of a disabled boiler. It is expected that the boiler will be repaired and, the school open next Monday.

February 8, 1918

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## Commencement 1918

### SACRED HEART ACADEMY COMMENCEMENT

Commencement exercises at Sacred Heart Academy were held last evening, and Rev. John Sheehan of Carson City gave the address to the graduates, 25 in number.

The class day program was given one evening last week and consisted of music and addresses. The history and prophecy were in the form of original dialogues written and presented by members of the class.

Below we give the list of the Seniors:

Josephine Kohler	Bernadette
Josephine	Kennedy
Schnitzler	Margaret
Veronica Murray	MacKinnon
Beulah Manaussa	Helen McDonald
Cecil O'Hora	Isabel MacRae
Clarence Keenan	Beatrice Dillon
James Kennedy	Aletha Taylor
Joseph McDonald	Marguerite Keenan
James O'Brien	Marie Quinlan
Lawrence Dondero	Eugene Fitzgerald
Fred McDonald	John Tuohy
Helen Gravenstein	William Foley
Helen Larkins	

June 14, 1918

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## Play

### Academy Students Give Latin Play

Several relatives and friends gathered at the Sacred Heart academy to witness the Latin play which was a remarkable success. This play, which was rather unique, convinced the audience that Latin is not so dead after all. The distinct enunciation and expression spoke volumes for the interest manifested in the study of Latin. Joseph Sweeney as teacher, Elizabeth and Mae Theisen as orators, and Anna Lynch as judge of the contest were especially good although there was not a dull moment from start to finish. The orchestra playing was marked not only by great animation but also by well-defined rhythm. Reginald LeStrange, Joseph Sweeney and Ivo Carey sang a trio, "Just Awearyin' for You," the artistic rendition of which deserves special mention.

Mary Kaiser, '19.

March 14, 1919

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## Commencement 1919

### **Sacred Heart Academy Graduates A Class of Twenty-five**

June 17th, next Tuesday, will mark a red letter day for nineteen girls and six boys, who have patiently made their way through the courses of study at the Academy, and will on that day receive their diplomas of graduation.

Rev. Fr. J. J. McAllister of St. Henry's parish will give the commencement address to the class.

The past week has been one of gaiety for the higher classes, numerous closing day functions having taken place.

The graduates are: Viola McCormick, Loretta Dillon, Elizabeth McDonald, Berendette O'Brien Mary E. Tuohy, Mary Kaiser, Janet McKennon, Anabel Fitzgerald, Bernice Duffy, Teresa Smithers, Agnes Gallagher, Gladys Gimmy, Marie Morrison, Geraldine Quinlan, Christine Murray, Marie Kenny, Irene Haley, Mary Paisley, Raymond Sweeney, Thomas Manley, Ivo Carey, Christopher Torpey, Thos. Sweeney, Caroline Simmer.

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June 13, 1919

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## Commencement Address 1919 1/3

### FR. J. J. McALLISTER ADDRESSES CLASS

#### ACADEMY SENIORS HEAR SPLENDID ADDRESS

#### Kindly Advice and Worthy Suggestions Worth While

My dear Young Friends:

The occasion of your graduation has brought us together this evening to congratulate you, to do you honor, and to wish you success in life for the American public holds in high consideration the young men and women who are beginning life aright and next to the wedding garment which society holds in such high esteem at the present day and which perhaps some of you may be wearing in the not far distant future the graduate's cap and gown have a place of distinction in the wardrobe of most every American family.

Education is the slogan of the age. Education spells progress and progress means efficiency and to be an hundred per cent American means to be an hundred per cent efficient. Honor to whom honor is due and we deem it an honor to be with you this evening because you have done honor to yourselves. The event of your commencement will leave you no longer private individuals but public characters in whom the public has a special interest and curiosity; and your work, your success or failure in life must necessarily reflect back on the institution that claims you as its own. You are our products. You bear the stamp Catholic, made in the U. S. A. and your passing hence from school will make a dividing line in your lives and a period of well doing for the community at large. Graduation and citizenship are kindred terms and should be synonymous. Graduation is not necessarily citizenship but all good graduates are of a necessity good citizens.

It is also of auspicious omen that young women should predominate in such numbers. Girls are such puzzles that fathers and mothers hardly know what to make of them. As one mother writes of her daughter:

"She is my sorrow, my laughter, my gloom and my joy,  
And having no son, she is my girl and my boy;  
She is my pest and my pleasure, my crown and my cross,  
She is down in life's ledger as profit and loss;  
She is a trial, God bless her, and what is much worse,  
She's an enemy both to my pantry and purse;  
She's a tease and a torment, faults, blunders and all,  
God lead, guide and save her lest worse shall befall."

But it is right that higher education shall be hers. The teaching profession and educational field has to a great extent been monopolized by the fairer sex, for women are both by nature and grace the natural preceptors of men. We want our representation in the schools of the land that our women may by their works and merits vindicate the system of catholic education. But it is also of happy moment for another reason, to give back again the lie that the church has ever held women in subjection, that she is an afterthought in creation, has no soul and is not the equal of man. A woman's education is the education she is capable of receiving and the use she makes of it in life. The church has ever been the champion of woman's welfare. She has always taught that woman is the very heart of society and that no education is too high nor accomplishment too great to prepare her for her sublime calling in life and to-night may God bless the hands that are to lead the little ones in the paths of justice, may He bless the eyes that are to watch over the straying feet; may He keep the ears that are to listen to their tender cries, and bless the lips that are to feed them the bread of life. Their calling is indeed sublime. It is the hand that leads the youth that is the hand that leads mankind, and holy writ tells us that they who instruct many to justice shall shine as stars for all eternity.

It is a consolation to see so many of our young men finishing their course of studies. The grandest inheritance a man can receive is a christian education not only to take them out of the mud, to place them with the princes of the people but to make them factors in the progress and development of the race. The teaching field in education will be practically a closed profession to them. The machinery of our educational system is in the hands of unbelievers and infidels and for any position of note no Catholic need apply. We are educating free of charge in our own university of Michigan the Japanese, the Hindoos, the Cubans and the Mexicans but there is no support or remuneration for an American youth if he happen to be of  
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## Commencement Address 1919 2/3

### FR. J. J. McALLISTER ADDRESSES CLASS

the household of faith. Do not be discouraged. You may be barred from the educational profession but there is one thing that you can not be barred from and that is from being Christian gentlemen and loyal American citizens which you were taught to be in Sacred Heart Academy.

Products then as you are of the catholic principle that men and women are created for things supernal and as Carl Marx says, "that all education is but the process and development and expansion of the human soul, you are going forth tonight not only to do and to be something, but to represent in life her who made you what you are, to do credit to them who gave you the light of day but also to the Church whose children you glory to be. The world is going to expect much and demand much of you and it has a right to do so. Of him to whom much is given much shall be asked. Education is not learning, education is character, and the Catholic school is the greatest human character-constructing agency given to men. She has not only a good theory but she has the only possible system of character-building as long as man is built as he is, as long as human nature is composed of body and soul. The world is going to expect something of you because all that is best in human thought and experience has

been drilled into you that you might go and bring forth fruit. This city and county are going to expect much of you because on the roster of Sacred Heart Academy stands a host of men and women she can be proud of, and it is expected of you that you shall keep her shield unsullied. And I want to say here to-night that as long as this school and her kindred institutions shall continue to turn out the products they are turning out, that there is little danger to our American institutions,—to democracy, good government, or Americanism.

The good, kind sisters, who have labored so long and well, who hid away their light in the dark that yours might shine, are going to look for some recompense from you in the good you do, in the lives you lead, in the examples you give. Your laurels are theirs to-night and a life of gratitude could never repay what they have done for you. Rev. Fr. Brogger, who has played with you, who has worked with you that this night might be, expects much of you; your reverend pastor is not only going to expect much but he is going to see that you return measure for measure. His hair

now is gray and his feet sore running after you these years and there is no joy in life he experiences so much as the joy when he sees the faces of his boys and girls and hears of their success in life. Lastly, the whole country is going to expect much of you, because of who you are and what you are. I want to say right here to-night that we consider you real, genuine, thoroughbred Americans, that your blood has not been tainted, neither has your judgment been warped, nor your patriotism dimmed because you have spent the first years of your youth in a Catholic school. I say this because the real question of the hour in education is, are Catholic education and Americanism compatible terms or is there strife between catholicism and true, genuine American patriotism. Are we going to allow the congressmen to transfer with the Smith-Townley bill in education the seat of autocracy from Berlin to the shores of the Potomac?

This may seem a platitude, but the real question of the hour is: are we going to allow our schools to be crushed out of existence or not. And we say never, but if necessary, as we fought for freedom of conscience, as we fought for the freedom of

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knowledge is practical and useful, make use of yours. You are going out into a new school—the world, and the hard task-master, experience, shall be your teacher. Your term of school shall be life. Your books shall be sorrow, joy, love, hatred, fortune and adversity, tears and smiles. The truths that you shall learn well be these, that conscience is king, virtue is its own reward, that righteousness is life, and the wages of sin is death, that all is not gold that glitters, and that men and women are not what they seem. Fight a good fight, in all your sorrows turn your face to the sun and all the shadows will fall behind, be honorable men and women, and there is a crown which the just Judge will give on the last great day, when life's school is out.

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## Coal Strike

### COAL STRIKE HITS MOUNT PLEASANT

#### DEALERS ORDERED TO RESTRICT DELIVERIES

##### No Deliveries to Those Who Already Have Coal

The coal strikers, 400,000 of them, walked out Saturday in the soft districts, as had been threatened, and now except for a few mines operated by non-union men, no soft coal is being mined. The national fuel administration has been resurrected and all coal in transit was seized, either by the government or by the railroads, and dealers who had coal in their bins received orders not to deliver coal to anyone who already had any on hand.

Monday the Enterprise, in view of the local condition, interviewed the several dealers in this city and found that at that time the stock was exhausted. Three dealers had no soft coal at all, while one had about 25 tons of Pocahontas, 50 tons of cannel or grate coal, and about 60 tons of coke.

It was said by one dealer that probably two-thirds of the people of this city had no coal at all, or very little, at the most.

The Central Gas Co. has coal on hand to run the plant about 30 days. This company also has a limited supply of coke, but until there is some certainty that more coal can be had, the coke on hand will be kept to feed the boilers in case of emergency. Coal already sold will be delivered, and it is possible a little might be spared in case of suffering, but the company is desirous of first being able to continue the gas plant in operation as long as possible.

It is very evident that if the strike should continue long, there will be suffering here. A little wood can be purchased, but the most of it is light wood and for heating purposes is not very effective.

Central State Normal is supplied with enough coal to last till about the middle of December under usual conditions.

The city schools are fortunate in having a supply till about the first of February.

Sacred Heart Academy has supply enough to last about two months.

November 7, 1919

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## Commencement 1920

### Commencement at Academy

The Sacred Heart Academy graduated a class of sixteen Wednesday night, the following program being given in the school auditorium:  
Chorus "We'll Touch the Strings to Music" - - Paladilhe

High School

"Valse" - - Mackie-Beyer

S. H. A. Orchestra

Salutatory - - Helen Johnson

"Chant Du Nord" - - Lange

Piano, Joseph Sweeney; cornet, Ivan Taylor; violin, Reginal LeStrange

Recitation - - Ruth Purtill

"Barcarole" - - Hoffman

S. H. A. Orchestra

Oration "The Educated Catholic, a Factor in Modern Society" -

- - Joseph Sweeney

Instrumental Solo - Wollenhaupt

Eloise Dondero

Recitation - - Bernice Gravenstein

Valedictory "Victory Through Diligence" - - Anna Lynch

Conferring of Honors - Rev.

T. J. O'Connor; Rev. Edw. Brogger, assisting

Commencement Address - -

- - Rev. J. A. Mulvey

S. H. A. Orchestra - Selected

### Class Roll

Classical Course—Eloise Dondero, Helen Johnson, Anna Lynch and Elizabeth Theisen.

Literary Course—Helen Carroll, Mary Courter, Mae Campbell, Bernice Gravenstein, Frances McNamara, Allen Manley, Ruth Purtill, Joseph Sweeney and Marie Welsh.

Scientific Course—Leo Kennedy, Viola O'Brien and Ivan Taylor.

June 18, 1920

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## Orchestra

### W. R. C. Ninth District Convention Held October 22

Beginning at ten o'clock the convention was opened by the local president, Mrs. Della Brown. The registration showed many visitors from the neighboring corps. Saginaw corps was especially noticeable as they came in a large bus load. The business was carried on until 11:30 when dinner was announced, and adjournment was made to the dining hall. There were five tables decorated with pumpkins carved into baskets filled with fruit and the centers of the tables were trimmed with autumn leaves and flowers which caused much comment. The tables were set with all kinds of good things to eat.

At two o'clock the afternoon session opened and business continued. The visiting corps gave the Mount Pleasant corps high praise on their floor work and their good work through the year.

At five o'clock the president announced there would be a program at 7:30 and invited all to remain, but those from Saginaw thought it best to go home so the supper was served at 5:30 and they left shortly afterward. At 7:30 the meeting was again called to order and after seating the speakers, the program for the evening was placed in charge of Mrs. Susan Purtil who had arranged a very interesting program as follows:

Sacred Heart Academy Orchestra	
Address - - -	Mayor Russell
Instrumental Solo -	Edna Conway
Recitation—"One Legged Goose" -	
- - -	Reginald LeStrange
Sacred Heart Academy Orchestra	
Reading—"Our School" -	
- - -	Anthony O'Brien
Song—"Got to Practice" -	
- - -	Michael Naumes
Address -	Rev. Joseph Green
Reading -	Mrs. Garnet Spalsbury
Recitation -	Mrs. Spencer, Bay City
Sacred Heart Academy Orchestra	

October 29, 1920

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## Commencement 1921

### Sacred Heart Academy Graduates Class of Seventeen

Last night in the Sacred Heart church the commencement exercises of the Class of 1921 took place with Fr. E. J. McDona'd of Midland giving bacca'laureate address. The diplomas were presented to the graduates by their pastor, Rev. T. J. O'Connor. A program of fine music in which Rev. G. J. Gudgeon, Joseph Schnitzler, Miss Scheeringer, James O'Brien, and Eugene Quinlan participated, preceded the address. The graduates are:

Anastacia E. Carey  
Marie M. Feeney  
Thresa M. Florian  
Mary M. Haley  
Philip R. Johnson  
Mary L. Kenney  
Walter C. Kirkey  
Reginald V. LaStrange  
Celia M. McDonald  
Gertrude M. McDonald  
Marguerite M. McDona'd  
Anna Marie Murphy  
Anthony E. O'Brien  
Anna Ruth Ryan  
Kath'een M. Sweeney  
Edna Tuchv  
Lucile C. Tuohy

Thursday morning the class partook of communion at the eight o'clock mass and were afterwards guests of honor at breakfast at the Sisters' home.

The past week has been filled with pleasure for the graduates and other pupils. entertainments, luncheons, parties, etc. being given in their honor.

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June 17, 1921

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## Commencement 1922

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### Academy Graduates

Sacred Heart Academy will graduate a class of nineteen on June 18. The personelle of theclass follows:

Clarence Breidenstein .  
Mae Theisen  
Helen Fox  
Gladys Burns  
Mildred Kennedy  
Joseph Rush  
Margaret McNamara  
Margaret Johnson  
Joseph Murphy  
Gerald Cotter  
Lorraine Carrol  
Katherine Roberts  
Marie Theisen  
Theresa Roberts  
Olga Martin  
Alice Murphy  
Sarah Haley  
Mildred O'Brien  
Joanna Lynch.

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June 9, 1922

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## Expansion

### **SACRED HEART TO HAVE MORE ROOM**

Workmen are busy in the construction of two additional rooms to the present structure of the Sacred Heart Academy, and it is expected that the addition will be ready to occupy at the fall term of school in September.

The addition, when completed, will take care of 100 school children. The space has been needed for some time, and will provide needed facilities required by the growth of this educational institution.

May 25, 1923

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## Commencement 1923

### PROGRAM FOR S. H. COMMENCEMENT DAY

#### Diplomas Given in Sa- cred Heart Church Ceremony

The commencement program of the class of '23, Sacred Heart Academy, will be held at Sacred Heart church tonight (Friday). There are thirteen members of this year's class, who will receive diplomas, and the following program will be given:

Chorus—Sanctus (From Gounod's  
St. Cecelia Mass) ..... Pupils  
Processional March (Frysinger)  
..... S. H. A. Orchestra  
Solo—"Calvary" (Rodney) .....  
..... Joseph Schnitzler  
Violin Solos ..... Miss Alberta Stead  
(a) Adoration—Borowski  
(b) There Let Me Rest—Greene  
Chorus—"Ave Verum" .....  
..... S. H. A. Pupils  
Address ..... Rev. J. McNeil  
Presentation of Diplomas .....  
..... Rev. T. J. O'Conner  
Assisted by Rev. F. Flannery  
Benediction  
Recessional ..... S. H. A. Orchestra  
Accompanist ..... Miss Eloise Dondero

June 15, 1923

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## Commencement 1923

# SACRED HEART HAS ITS COMMENCEMENT

## Splendid Academy Program Given On June 15 at Church

Commencement exercises of class of Sacred Heart academy took place in Sacred Heart church, Friday evening June 15.

After an enjoyable program of select music, vocal and instrumental, diplomas were awarded to thirteen seniors of S. H. A.

In a pleasing and concise address, Rev. J. McNeil clarified his hearers' minds as to the true meaning of education; namely, its three-fold character—mental, physical, and moral.

A medley of trained voices rendered the beautiful "Sanctus" from St. Cecilia Mass and Gounod's "Ave Verum." Especially appreciable were the vocal selections of Joseph Schnitzler and the violin renditions of Miss Alberta Stead, talented artist of Grand Rapids. Particularly excellent was Miss Stead's rendition of Greene's "There Let Me Rest." An enthusiastic

audience proclaimed expressive appreciation of Miss Stead's artistic ability. Miss Eloise Dondero, accompanist, and the S. H. A. orchestra received enthusiastic appreciation.

The entire program follows:

Chorus—"Sanctus" (From St. Cecilia Mass) .....Gounod.

S. H. A. Pupils

Processional March .....

.....J. Frank Frysinger

S. H. Orchestra

Vocal Solo—"Calvary".....Rodney

Joseph Schnitzler

Violin Solo .....Miss Alberta Stead

(a) Adoration.....Borowski

(b) There Let Me Rest.....Greene

Chorus—"Ave Verum" .....Gounod

S. H. A. Pupils

Address .....Rev. J. McNeil

Presentation of Diplomas .....

.....Rev. T. J. O'Connor

Assisted by Rev. J. Flannery

Benediction

Recessional .....S. H. A. Orchestra

Accompanist—Miss Eloise Dondero.

June 22, 1923

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## Fire Inspection 1/2

### **FIRE INSPECTORS GIVE MT. PLEASANT SCHOOL FINDINGS**

#### **Verbatim Reports Of In- surance Group Wed- nesday**

#### **CONDEMN KINNEY SCHOOL**

##### **High School**

600 pupils. No fire drill ever held. Hold semi-monthly drills.

Keep both parts of double class room doors unlocked.

Provide panic bolts on all exits from gymnasium balcony and outside exits. Make gym benches fast to floor.

Stand holding gas heated glue pot in wood working shop is loose and must be made rigid.

In basement; Remove boxes under stairs in old building. Storage under stairs should be discontinued. Accumulation of rubbish in old building should be removed.

Filled sand pails should be provided in woodworking shop, and on stage, for electrical and oil fires.

Wool blankets for physics laboratory and domestic science rooms, to extinguish clothing fires.

Install closed fuse cabinet on stage, and keep locked.

Throughout the building: Install chemical fire extinguishers. Erect approved fire escapes. Install fire gongs, to be heard throughout building. Make all classroom doors open outwards. Protect heating pipes where they pass through wood. Discontinue use of floor oils. Remove obsolete desks and equipment.

##### **Maple School**

126 pupils. Time of fire drill 45 seconds.

Building over 25 years old.

Protect floor over furnace with asbestos.

General housekeeping should be improved in basement.

Stock room under south main exit should be removed.

Fire alarms should be provided for all floors.

Gas plate should be equipped with rigid pipe.

Not sufficient extinguishers.

Doors should be equipped with panic bars, and single exits should be made to open more easily.

There are no fire escapes. They should be provided.

Leaky eavestrough over north main entrance should be repaired, as ice forms and is dangerous in case of hasty exits.

##### **West Side School**

45 pupils. Time of fire drill 60 seconds.

Remove paper in wooden box in basement.

Extension electric cord wound around main wires should be removed and tied with cord.

Two exits should be equipped with panic bars.

Fire extinguishers should be recharged.

Uniform fuse plugs of 10 or 15 amps. should be installed. Now have one 10, one 15 and two 30.

##### **Kinney School**

155 pupils. Time of fire drill 42 seconds.

Clean out net work of partitions in basement.

Wiring—fuse plugs too heavy. Loose wires, insufficient support.

Base of chimney cracked.

Four exits, two front and two rear, but only the front ones used.

Hallways used as cloak rooms, with clothes hung too near radiators.

No fire escapes and only one extinguisher. One powder extinguisher, not approved. Recharge liquid extinguisher.

Fire alarms should be on all floors.

Concealed spaces under stairs should not be used for storage purposes.

Pipes from heating plant not protected through all partitions.

Old equipment stored in basement, and network of partitions, while clean, would be a wonderful feeder of fires.

Building very old—35 years—is unsafe and should be replaced with modern school building. Building would not warrant expense of putting in safe condition.

##### **Sacred Heart Academy**

350 pupils. Time of fire drills 60 seconds.

Cold air duct of matched flooring,

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## Fire Inspection 2/2

<b>FIRE INSPECTORS</b> <b>GIVE MT. PLEASANT</b> <b>SCHOOL FINDINGS</b> (Continued from Page One)	quent drills. , Provide panic bars on exit door. Fire alarm bells should be installed on all floors. <b>Gymnasium Building</b> Provide panic bars on both exit doors. Install fire extinguishers. Hold fire drills regularly. Install fire alarms on all floors. <b>Administration Building</b> Fire drills should be carried on. Fire alarm gongs should be installed. Install fire extinguishers. One fire escape. There should be additional escape on opposite end.	<b>Training School</b> 240 pupils. Time of fire drill 70 seconds. Provide panic bars on all exits. Both rear exit doors locked on one side, no one in attendance to hold doors open. This matter should have immediate attention. The drill was carried on in half-hearted manner by both teachers and pupils. Nor very orderly. Teachers should be impressed with importance of drills, and see that they are carried on in an orderly manner. Require all pupils to leave the building. Exits to escapes not at floor level should be remedied. Shorten drop cords and tie instead of hanging on nails. Remove upholstering material stored in attic. Provide chemical extinguishers. Provide metal receptacles for refuse in wood-work room. Provide rigid pipe for gas plate in basement. Rubber hose now used.
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## Commencement 1924

### **SACRED HEART ACADEMY WILL GRADUATE FOURTEEN**

**Graduates Will Seek  
Further Education In  
Various Colleges -**

**CLASS PLAY ON JUNE 14**

Comencement exercises for the graduating class of Sacred Heart academy will be held in Sacred Heart church on Sunday evening, June 15, starting at eight o'clock. Diplomas will be conferred by Rev. T. J. O'Connor and the commencement sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Leo Farquharson, of St. Joseph Seminary, Grand Rapids.

There are fourteen in the graduating class of the academy this year. They are:

Edna Conway, Georgianna Dillon, Rose Marie Hagan, Estella Kaiser, Thomas Kane, John Keenan, Katherine Keenan Mildred Kenney, Margaret A. Kennedy, Catherine Lawler, Charles Murray, Helen Naumes, Joseph Naumes, Marie Bergin.

If present plans carry, the following schools will contribute to the further education of these young people: Sacred Heart College, Marywood, Grand Rapids; St. Mary's college, Notre Dame, Indiana; the Detroit Institute, Detroit University, the University of Notre Dame; St. Mary's Training School, Saginaw; and Central Normal. Seven intend entering the teaching profession and at least one the medical. One intends pursuing the literary course in preparation for a business career. Two will take the commercial course, one will pursue higher studies in music, and two will take up nursing. The date of the senior play, originally fixed for June ninth, has been changed, on account of unforeseen events, to Saturday, June 14th. The play, however, promises to be one of the best ever staged by academy pupils and if this class lives up to its former record the play will not fall far short of professional finish.

June 6, 1924

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## Recital

# ACADEMY PRESENTS RECITAL TONIGHT

## Will Mark Graduation of Miss Conway From From New Course

This evening beginning at 8:00 o'clock, Sacred Heart academy music department presents Miss Edna Conway in a recital which marks her graduation in the high school course of the Progressive Series. Her program to be given in the Sacred Heart auditorium and to which the public is invited is as follows: Sonate Pathetique, Beethoven; Polka de Concert, Bartlett; Kammenoi-Ostrow, Rubenstein; Scherzo Valse, Sauer; Hark, Hark the Lark, Schubert-Lizst; Prelude in C Sharp Minor, Rachmaninoff. Miss Conway will be assisted by Miss Marie Stephens with two vocal solos, Miss Catherine Kenziarski with a violin solo and Miss Mary Louise Kane, a junior in the Progressive Series, with a piano solo. Rev. T. J. O'Connor will present Miss Conway with her diploma and the address of the evening will be given by Rev. R. T. Dark of Saginaw.

Miss Conway has the distinction of being the first graduate in the high school since the adoption of the Progressive Series by Sacred Heart conservatory and is already in a fair way to enjoy the advantages offered by the Art Publication society to the Progressive students. The first of these is her free attendance at the summer music normal to be held at Marywood College, Grand Rapids. This is a three weeks' course in which prospective teachers are given the latest methods in music instruction. At the opening of the fall school term Miss Conway is entitled at once to a position of instructor in the Detroit Institute conservatory, a position secured for her gratis by the Art Publication society. Here she will not only fill a very remunerative position but will also have ample opportunity of pursuing her study of music leading to a Bachelor's degree and eligibility to the concert stage. These advantages are of course extended to all Progressive Series students who have the talent and ambition.

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## Banquet

Members of the graduating class of Sacred Heart academy were honor guests at a banquet and theatre party given by the freshmen class on Thursday evening of last week. Tuesday evening of this week the sophomore class gave a six o'clock dinner for the graduating class in the church auditorium.

June 13, 1924

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## Commencement 1924

# GRADUATION HELD AT SACRED HEART

## Services For Graduating Class Held Sunday Evening

Impressive commencement exercises for the fourteen members of the graduating class of Sacred Heart academy were held at Sacred Heart church on Sunday evening. The singing, the music, the talks and the services Sunday evening were reflective of that co-ordination of spiritual and practical education, which is productive of the highest type of Catholic citizen.

Choosing as the subject of his address "Let There Be Light," Rev. L. J. Farquerson gave an excellent and comprehensive address on the progress of education since the advent of the Christian era. In words that were well chosen and vividly expressive of

the thoughts he would set forth, Rev. Farquerson reviewed the history of education and then pointed out to the graduates the big place that they will now take in the life of their country and their church. He urged that their lives be such that they reflect a pure light of peace, sympathy and kindness to those about them.

Following the prelude, the high school chorus sang "Jubilante Deo." Jos. Schnitzler sang a bass solo very well after which "Ave Verum" was sung by a quartet very delightfully. The diplomas were presented by Rev. T. J. O'Connor, assisted by Rev. J. P. Flannery, after which there was benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The Sacred Heart academy orchestra furnished music with Mrs. J. F. Ryan as accompanist.

June 20, 1924

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## Play

### TRIUMPH IS SCORED BY ACADEMY PLAYERS

#### Production Is Presented a Second Time By Request

A triumphant performance of "Seven Keys to Baldpate" was given by the senior class of Sacred Heart academy on June 14, the brilliancy of their achievement being greatly enhanced by the fact that the manuscript of the play was not received until a very late date, giving the members of the cast only seven days in which to memorize their parts, stage and rehearse the entire program.

Charles Murray did effective work as old Elijah Quimby, a somewhat difficult character part; Georgiana Dillon as Mrs. Quimby gave distinction and individuality to a rather colorless part; James McNamara gave an intelligent and well-balanced performance as William Hallowell Magee, the leading character; James Naumes made the difficult role of Lou Max stand out by sheer hard work and earnestness; Katherine Keenan in the part of Mary Norton was a good foil for James McNamara; Helen Naumes was a gracious, dignified Mrs. Rhodes; John Keenan gave an intelligent performance of an eccentric hermit; Estella Kaiser was well cast as Myra Thornhill and did splendid work; Clement Carey distinguished himself as Lou Max, an ex-convict;

Thomas Kane did excellent work, delivering his lines with conviction and assurance; James O'Sullivan's interpretation of the pompous Mr. Hayden was well done, and John Burch as Chief Kennedy had a part which fitted him like a glove.

The dramatic situations were well handled and the suspense ably sustained. Altogether it was a splendid performance and reflects great credit on the boys and girls who took part in it.

The play was repeated by special request on June 17. This performance, however, was somewhat marred by the two officers of the law who, left too long with the unguarded paintpots, found themselves unable to resist their lure and consequently made their appearance upon the scene of their activities in clownish red and white makeups and borrowed plumage of no particular vintage or significance—this to the great surprise of the other members of the cast and the utter consternation of the faculty. This ill-timed boyish prank was a rather bad flaw in an otherwise smooth and efficient performance, and the police officer who had so signally distinguished himself at the original performance failed rather dismally on this latter occasion, since his interpretation of the part was wholly incompatible with his makeup and dress.

June 27, 1924

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## Enrollment

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### SACRED HEART ACADEMY HAS LARGE ENROLLMENT

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Sacred Heart academy opened with a large enrollment Tuesday, September 2. Three hundred and forty-two pupils were enrolled at the school this year. Twenty-five of this number are new students in the high school, making the enrollment for the high school 115.

The kindergarten has a much larger enrollment than in previous years. During the vacation the interior of the school building was re-decorated and new equipment was added.

The same corps of teachers is employed this year as last year. Two new teachers will be added to take care of the increased enrollment.

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September 12, 1924

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## Entertainment

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### VISITING TEACHERS ENTERTAINED BY EX-PUPILS

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Sisters Ligouri and Cyperian, Dominican Sisters of New York, formerly teachers in the Sacred Heart academy here, are on a visit to the places of their former activities in Michigan and were in Mt. Pleasant last Sunday where they were guests at the sisters' house.

On Sunday, Miss Bess Garvin, assisted by Miss Kate Fraser, Miss Mary McCue, Miss Helen Dittman, Mrs. Dan Carey, and Mrs. Charles Breece, entertained at dinner at the Garvin home. The young ladies had been pupils of the visitors.

- There were also present Sisters Philomena, Rose Marie, and Grace of St. Mary's, Saginaw, and Sister Gonzaga of the local academy.

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## Football

### **S. H. FOOTBALLERS TO BE BANQUETED**

#### **Captain To Be Chosen and Letters Given Men**

The students of Sacred Heart academy will celebrate the close of one of their most successful football seasons at a banquet Monday night. The captain of next year's team and the 1924 letter men will be announced at the "big doin's."

Professor Tambling, director of physical education at the Normal will be the principal speaker of the night and "Tony" McCracken, crack coach of the team, is scheduled to give a speech. Tony says that he has been working day and night on it.

The players who will receive letters are: Captain, Joseph Dondero, James McNamara, James Sullivan, Richard Fate, Leo Fox, Lawrence Sweeney, William Ryan, Walter Theisen, Sidney Sowles, Patrick Farnham, Leo Kennedy, and Daniel Garvin.

The local academy team, undefeated in three years, worked its way into the state Catholic semi-finals and were only defeated when the Jackson eleven, state champs, took their measure. The academy took the high school, into a camp a week later.

December 12, 1924

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## Football

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### S. H. FOOTBALLERS ARE BANQUETTED

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#### Twelve Men Receive Sweaters At Big Dinner

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The most successful football team that has ever represented Sacred Heart Academy had the "feast of their lives" at the church basement last Monday night.

The church basement was crowded with townspeople who attended the dinner to show the players that they were with them. The banquet was a sumptuous one and Joe Schnitzler did himself proud as chief toastmaster.

After the banquet Coach "Tony" McCracken, Captain-elect Sweeney, Captain Dondero, A. W. Lynch, Father Flannery, Coach Barnard, Francis McNamara, James E. Hunt, Luman Burch, and members of the team gave short talks.

The men who received their letters and sweaters at the banquet were: Capt. Dondero, Captain-elect Sweeney, Farnum, Fox, Fate, McNamara, Sullivan, Garvin, Ryan, Sowle, Theisen, Kennedy.

December 19, 1924

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## Basketball

### ACADEMY WINS LAST GAME 9-8

Will be Seen in Central Normal  
Tournament

Sacred Heart defeated SS. Peter and Paul of Ionia last Friday for the second time this season, by a score of 8-9.

The game was rough and neither team displayed much basketball. The first half ended with Sacred Heart trailing 3-4. The second half was much better or both teams paid more attention to teamwork instead of individual playing.

Both teams showed impenetrable defenses. Only three field baskets being made during the game; of these, Ionia made two. In the last five minutes Sacred Heart was three points behind. Garvin dropped three fouls in—tying the score, a minute later Sweeney dropped in the winning point via the foul line.

The academy five will play in the Central Normal tournament.

March 13, 1925

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## Play

### IRISH WILL HOLD SWAY IN PLAY AND FUN AT BROADWAY

#### Annual St. Patrick's Day Program to be Given Again

##### PUPILS PREPARE PARTS

The annual St. Patrick's day program will be given on Tuesday, March 17, in the Broadway theatre, by the pupils of Sacred Heart academy. Irish airs, Irish dances, Irish fairies and Irish wit will be in evidence throughout the evening.

The play upon which the clever amateurs have been working for some time, "The Twig of Thorn" is based upon the fairy folklore of Ireland. Everyone from the "ould sod" is witness to the fact that the "good people," as the fairies of Ireland are called, or the "Host of the Sidhe," are the most wonderful fairies in the world. In fact no one can touch ever so lightly, the old traditions of Ireland without falling under the spell of their magic.

In the charming little play chosen, Oonah, the heroine, unwittingly picks the first blossoms of the thorn tree in the spring and thus puts herself in the power of the "good people." Dire misfortune threatens her which can only be averted by the assuming of the curse by another. The cast of characters is as follows:

Oonah, who plucks the first thorn blossoms - - Mary Louise Kane  
Aengus Arann, her lover - -  
- - - - James McNamara

Nessa Teig, Oonah's grandmother who greatly fears the "good people" - - Bernice Kennedy

Maurya, Nessa's neighbor - -  
- - - - Kathryn McDonald

Father Brian - - Paul Garvin

Aileel, a wandering poet - -  
- - - - James O'Sullivan

Youthful friends of Oonah:

Kathleen - - Irene Hoffman

Sheila - - Evelyn McDonald

Finula - - Ethel Tuohy

Tumas - - Clement Carey

Sheamus - - Tim Cotter

Martin - - Victor Eppel

The Fairy Messenger Betty Somerville

Fairies: Anna Marie Carey, Helen Kane, Rose Marie McGuirk, Helen Carey, Esther Neff, Mary Hackett, Marjorie Kane, Elizabeth Keenan, Betty Somerville, Dorothy McNerny, Josephine Link, Ruth Milloy, Mildred Kennedy.

Others numbers: "The Irish Lilt" by twelve little girls, "The Ballad of McCarthy's Trombone" by Dan Garvin, "The Retort Discourteous" Kathleen Kirkey, "Ireland's Queen" Josephine Kirkey, chorus, Irish airs, academy glee club.

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## Commencement 1925 1/2

### S. H. A. GRADUATION EXERCISES TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY

**Twenty Will Receive  
Diplomas from Academy This Year**

#### PRESENT PLAY MONDAY

Sacred Heart academy graduates a class of twenty this year. Next week on Monday evening the senior class will present their class day program in the auditorium of the public high school at 8 o'clock. The entertainment will close with the production of the playlet "Catching Clara" given by the graduates.

On Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in the church the commencement program will be given as follows:

#### Class Day Program

Chorus: "The Pipes of Spring"—Class of 1925

Greetings—James McNamara

Class History.....John Burch

Piano solo.....Mary Louise Kane

Class Will.....Agnes Grisdale

Address to Juniors.....Victor Epple

Our motto, "Sans Peur et Sans Reproche".....Ethel Tuohy

Class Prophecy.....Mary Louise Kane

Arale Magician.....Clement Carey

Interpreter.....Mildred McDonald

1st Senior.....Kathryn McDonald

2nd Senior.....Mary Louise Kane

Playlet, "Catching Clara" with the following cast:

Clara Craddock, president of the senior class of Rutland college.....

.....Bernice Kennedy

#### Seniors

Myrtle Bank.....Agnes Grisdale

Isabel Langley.....Gertrude Thielen

Daisy Green.....Josephine Kirkey

Bug Beal.....Kathleen Kirkey

Beth Mathis.....Mildred McDonald

Peggy Raye.....Irma Neff

Joy Jones.....Anna Kirkey

Cassie White, president of the junior class of Rutland college Ethel Tuohy

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Juniors	
Katie Hugo.....	Irene Hoffman
Mattie Bragg.....	Virgilene Farman
Margaret Waterman .....	
.....	Kathryn McDonald
Hazel Due.....	Elizabeth McCumber
Minnie Tracy.....	Ada Bell McCumber
.....	Two Burglars
Muggsy .....	Victor Epple
Pete .....	Francis Farnan
.....	Settlement house committee for Rutland Tech.
Prof. Rice.....	James O'Sullivan
Howard Brace.....	Victor Epple
George Grenville.....	Paul Garvin
.....	Mrs. Grenville, George's mother, a commencement visitor.....
.....	Mary Louise Kane
.....	Settlement house children
Patsy Flannigan.....	Gerald McNerney
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### S. H. A. GRADUATION EXERCISES TO BE HELD TUESDAY

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Tom Smith.....Murel McNerney  
Giovanni Givanni.....Murel McNerney  
Tom Smith.....Kenneth Donohue  
Hans Reuther.....Eddie Breidenstein  
Putman, a negro janitor.....

.....Francis Farnan  
Class song.....Class of 1925

#### Commencement Program

Tuesday evening, Sacred Heart church:

Processional, selected, Mrs. John Ryan  
Sacred chorus, "Sit Nomen Domini  
Benedictum," Giovanni Cagliero,  
Academy choristers

Tenor solo, "Ave Maria" Schubert,  
William Claffey

Presentation of diplomas—Rev. J.  
P. Flannery

Commencement address—Rev.  
James Malone

Benediction of the most blessed  
sacrament

Recessional, selected—Mrs. John Ryan

Graduates are: John Burch, Clement Carey, Victor Epple, Virgilene Farnan, Francis Farnan, Paul Garvin, Agnes Grisdale, Irene Hoffman, Mary Louise Kane, Bernice Kennedy, Josephine Kirkey, Anna Kirkey, Kathleen Kirkey, Kathryn McDonald, Mildred McDonald, James McNamara, Irma Neff, James O'Sullivan, Gertrude Thielen, Ethel Tuohy.

June 12, 1925

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## News Notes

Rev. Norlock, assistant pastor of Sacred Heart, is enjoying a week's visit with his parents at Isadore.

Rev. T. J. O'Conner returned Monday from Mt. Clemens where he has been receiving medical attention.

The Catholic Woman's club will meet with Mrs. Simons, 1020 South Main-st., Wednesday afternoon, September 9th.

September 4, 1925

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## Vacation

The Dominicon sisters have returned  
from Marywood, to begin their work  
at Sacred Heart academy.

September 4, 1925

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## Commencement 1926

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### SACRED HEART ACADEMY GRADUATES CLASS OF 17

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Graduation exercises for Sacred Heart academy will be held Sunday evening, June 13, at 8:00 o'clock. Seventeen young men and women will be given diplomas.

The program will commence with a musical selection by the high school academy orchestra, following which the presentation of diplomas will be made by the Rev. J. A. Mulvey and concluded by "Ave Maria." The baccalaureate address will be delivered by the Rev. Wm. J. McCann.

The graduates are Evaleen McDonald, Mary Smithers, Christina Florian, Florence Beltinck, Ann Louise McDonald and Joseph Ryan on the classical course; and on the literary course are: Eileen Kane, Addie Link, Elizabeth McCumber, Ada Bell McCumber, Timothy Cotter, George F. Dillon, Joseph Dondero, Daniel Garvin, Bernard Pearson, Lawrence Sweeney and Walter Thiesen.

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June 11, 1926

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## Picnic

# SACRED HEART PARISH PICNIC HELD SUNDAY

Chicken Dinner Furnishes  
Eats As Catholics Rally At  
Kane's Landing

The annual Sacred Heart parish picnic, held at Kane's Landing, last Sunday afternoon, drew an approximate crowd of 2500, a record-breaking attendance. Of this number, about 1400 were served with a chicken dinner, 320 being seated at one time. The dinner was prepared by the ladies of the parish.

Music during the afternoon was furnished by the Indian school band.

In spite of the uncertain weather, many came from out of town. Bay City, Lansing, Ionia, Midland and Grand Rapids were represented. Even Chicago came in for its share.

Committees in charge of the picnic included the executive, fancy booth, dinner and concessions.

J. B. McClane was the chairman of the executive committee. With him were John Battle, Al. Nichols, George West, Leo Collins, William Schnitzler and Charles McCarthy.

The fancy booth committee was headed by Miss Margaret Kane and included Miss Katherine McPhaul, Miss Bessie Garvin, Miss Jo Kane and Mrs. J. P. Carey.

Mrs. Charles McCarthy and Mrs. M. McDonald were in charge of the dinner committee. They were assisted by Mrs. Dan Carey, Mrs. Simons, Mrs. Pearsons, Mrs. Burch, and Mrs. Kenney.

The concessions committee work was given to Leo Brandel, L. J. Donoghue, John Kane and Leo Kane.

The committees in charge wish to give special credit to those of the non-Catholics who gave their earnest support and services in behalf of the picnic preparations and helped to make the picnic the social and financial success that it was.

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## Uniforms

### **SACRED HEART GIRLS MAY BE OUTFITTED IN WHITE UNIFORMS**

The Sacred Heart Academy is considering the adoption of white uniforms, trimmed in blue, for all the girls in attendance. If the decision is favorable the uniforms would not be ready before October 1. There are the same number of teachers in the academy as last year—two lay teachers and ten sisters—although the personnel has changed somewhat. The enrollment this year totals 317 for all grades. This is approximately the same as last year.

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## Flag Pole

### Tolerance

One of the finest examples of tolerance ever recorded in Michigan was seen in Port Huron on Armistice Day, and we believe that everyone who had a part in it or witnessed it, went home with a better feeling of patriotism and good will toward man than they ever had.

A man of Jewish faith donated a flag pole to the Methodist church in that city and the pastor decided to dedicate it on Armistice Day. To that end, he invited the American Legion to take charge of the ceremonies. The organization of war veterans chose one of its chaplain-heroes, a Catholic priest to dedicate the flag-pole to the country. The flag which was raised on the pole was donated by the Klan, despite the fact that the Methodist pastor has for many years been an active antagonist of that organization. The flag was dedicated by the Methodist and raised to the top of the pole by a negro member of the American Legion.

Of course there was a storm of protest from certain people of the community who have not as yet thrown off a certain handicap of narrow-mindedness. The Methodist pastor received a note before the event telling him there would be four hundred men on hand to prevent the ceremony, but he fearlessly went ahead with the plans, which carried thru without interference and no one went to the hospital as far as could be learned.

A parallel ceremony, with only a little less variety was held in Mt. Pleasant on the same day when the new flag-pole and flag was dedicated at the Catholic church grounds. The flag-pole was given by a Catholic, the flag by the senior class of Sacred Heart Academy, dedicatory speeches were given by four Protestants and a Catholic. The flag was raised by the American Legion and the Indian school band furnished the music.

Events of this nature, whether they be at home or abroad, tend to bring all of us to a better understanding of each other, of what it means to be a true American, tolerant, peace loving, respectful and considerate of the rights and beliefs of others.

Religion, after all, is not so much a matter of this creed or that, one church or another; but rather a true sincerity in one's beliefs, no matter what they may be, that the whole world may be a better, happier, more enjoyable place in which to live in friendship with our neighbor, our fellow-citizen, our brother American.

November 18, 1926

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## Flag Pole

# NEW FLAG POLE IS DEDICATED AT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Gift Of Robert Horan Is Made  
Center Of Fine Service  
On Armistice Day

Special services on Armistice day marked the dedication of a new flag pole at the Mt. Pleasant Catholic church, the flag-pole having been donated to the church by Robert Horan, in memory of his father, the late William Horan. The flag was a gift of this year's senior girls in Sacred Heart Academy.

The program which was held in the Catholic church was opened by the singing of "America," followed with the invocation by Rev. John Mulvey. George E. Ganiard, superintendent of the public schools, gave a talk on "Patriotism in the Schools," Prof. M. L.

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# NEW FLAG POLE IS DEDICATED AT CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Smith on "Patriotism in the Colleges," Prof. Webster H. Pearce, mayor of the city, on "Civic Patriotism," and Frederic H. Goodrich on "Patriotism in the Army." Mr. Ganiard represented the public school on the program, Prof. Smith the Central Normal, Prof. Pearce the city and Mr. Goodrich, the American Legion.

Appearing on the program with a recitation, was Miss Dorothy Kane. Miss Helen Donohue gave an "Expression of Appreciation" in honor of Mr. Horan, donor of the flag-pole.

Following the speaking program in the church, the flag was blessed by Rev. Fr. Mulvey, dedicated to the country and the audience went out to the flag-pole where the service was concluded.

With the playing of the Star Spangled Banner, the new flag was raised to the top of the flag-pole by members of the American Legion in uniform, with music being furnished by the Mt. Pleasant Indian school band.

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## Football

### ACADEMY WINS OVER SAGINAW ELEVEN FRIDAY

One Point Margin Spells Vic-  
tory For Sacred Heart In  
Sea Of Mud

On a field covered with mud, water, snow and slush, Sacred Heart Academy came out of a hard fought battle with St. Andrews, Saginaw, with a one point victory, 7 to 6.

The game opened with the Academy kicking off to St. Andrews, the receiver punting 45 yards after failure to gain ground thru the Sacred Heart line. Following an exchange of punts, the Academy again held the ball, on its own 20-yard line. Fitz punted once more for 40 yards, Pippin recovering for the Saginaw lads and fumbling the ball. Farham recovered it on the 25-yard line and the quarter ended.

The opening of the second quarter saw the local lads in fine action. While Fitz failed to gain on a run around left end, Donoghue came thru with a five yard gain. On the next play, Sacred Heart opened up with a forward pass, Fitz to Claffey, the latter tearing away five yards after a pretty 15-yard toss, and crossed the line for a touchdown.

A Saginaw man - offside gave Sacred Heart the one point as the goal kick failed and the score remained 7 to 0 as the half ended.

In the second half, St. Andrew came back ready for a fight. A steady march down the field, following the kickoff, was too strong for the local lads, and the ball

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### Academy Wins Over Saginaw Eleven Friday

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went over the line for a touchdown, Burdette scoring for the visitors. The attempt at goal failed, making the tally 7 to 6 for Sacred Heart, the final score of the game.

Claffey and McGuirk starred in the Sacred Heart offense with Gleason, Epple and C. English showing up well on defense. Byran and Burdette carried off the stellar honors for Saginaw.

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## Commencement 1927

***Commencement At  
Academy June 14***

Commencement exercises at Sacred Heart Academy will take place Tuesday evening, June 14, 1927. The following are the prospective graduates; Classical course—Rosa Ballge, Helen Donohue, Mildred Farnan, Francis Fitzpatrick, Beatrice McCarty, Philip Ryan, Betty Somerville; Literary course—Harold Allen, Mary Ellen Carroll, Hannah Cuthbert, Frances Ernest, Alphonso Epple, Ralph Farnan, Frances Fitzgerald, Mac Grisdale, Lucille Kaiser, Joseph Kirkey, Ethel Lawler, Edwardine Murphy, Genevieve Naumes, Genevieve Theisen.

April 28, 1927

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## Play

### SACRED HEART ACADEMY TO GIVE "SPRINGTIME"

"Springtime," a fantasy of mirth and music, will be given here under the auspices of the Sacred Heart Academy on May 26 and 27, according to an announcement made today.

This production is a musical comedy of merit. The libretto, music, costumes, scenic equipment, etc., are the property of the John B. Rogers Producing company; and the show will be directed by a professional representative of that concern. The scenic equipment for the play is far more elaborate than that usually supplied for the ordinary amateur affair, and for splendor closely approaches the metropolitan offerings.

Rehearsals, it is said, will begin about the second week of May.

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## Play

### ***Principals Chosen For "Springtime"***

"Springtime," a delightful musical comedy, will be presented under the auspices of Sacred Heart Academy at the Broadway Theatre on the afternoon and evening of Friday, May 27, with a cast of nearly two hundred local people participating. Special costumes and scenery will be furnished.

The nineteen principals will be assisted by many choruses. The first scene is the celebration of Priscilla Dean's twentieth birthday, with a Mardi Gras party and takes place in an old garden near New York in 1926. The role of Priscilla Dean is to be taken by Miss Pearl Eicher. Those taking the roles of her friends Desiree, Joyce, Sue, and Elvira are Miss Helen Donohue, Miss Frances Kenny, Miss Ruth Hunt and Miss Betty Somerville. These friends ask Mrs. Elkins, (Irene Noey), to tell them the story of the romance of Wainwrights and Brewsters. This she

does, and as she finishes her story the stage is darkened for a short time and with the next scene the action continues with a scene in the year of 1868.

In this scene, A. A. McDonell will appear as James Brewster; Thankful Standish, his sister, Miss Anna Marie Carey; Priscilla Brewster, his daughter, Miss Pearl Eicher; Primrose Standish, daughter of Thankful, Miss Frances Ann Kane; Tom Higgins, John Breidenstein; Jack Wainwright, Edward Dole; Bobby Brewster, a lion with the ladies, Clarence Breidenstein; Elvira Judd, Miss Betty Somerville; and Abigail Timpkins, Miss Gladys Goodwin.

In Act II, which is in 1888, the role of little Priscilla, daughter of Priscilla Brewster, will be played by Dorothy Kane; Vera Riggs, Ruth Collins, Daisy, Gertrude McDonald; Master Jack Wainwright, Jack MacDonnell; Zenobia Bobby's wife, Mildred MacRae.

In Act III the roles of Phil and George, friends of Desiree and Sue, will be taken by John Butts and

Theo Sowle; Parsons, Bobby's man, will be played by Joseph Casey.

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## Commencement 1927 1/2

### SACRED HEART HOLDS ANNUAL GRAD EXERCISES

Diplomas Given To Largest  
Graduating Class in History  
Of Academy

The thirty-first annual commencement of Sacred Heart Academy was held at Sacred Heart church, Tuesday evening, June 14, 1927, when twenty-four seniors, the largest class in the history of the school, were graduated.

During the Processional, Festive March, played by Miss Mary Louise Maxwell, the graduates, each attended by a member of the junior class, proceeded to the places of honor reserved for them. While the diplomas were being conferred by the pastor, the Reverend J. A. Mulvey, assisted by the Reverend J. W. McNeil, Miss Catherine Collins, of Grand Rapids, visiting violin artist, gave an exquisite rendition of Massenet's "Meditation from Thais." Miss Helen M. Donohue, valedictorian of the class, was the recipient of the medal of honor from the Owen Barrett Post of the American Legion. Immediately following this, the audience enjoyed another violin solo, "Adoration" by Borowski played by Miss Collins.

The address of the evening was delivered by the Reverend P. J. Carroll, C. S. C., Litt. D., vice-president of the University of Notre Dame. Father Carroll's long experience in dealing with youth has given him a thorough understanding of the problems and ideals of young people. This he revealed admirably in his direct and forceful presentation of the aims and values which make for true success in life.

"In this day and age," said Father Carroll, "when there is so little of domestic life; when boys  
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### Sacred Heart Holds Annual Grad Exercises

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and girls are given a latitude which was unknown to their parents; when there is so much discussion of sex life; when our young people are more and more getting away from their moorings in the safe harborage of their homes, it is well for you to anchor yourselves, for much of the pleasure and happiness of life, in the midst of your own family. There, at least, you will be secure.

"Make money if you can; but do not let money unmake you. Whether your family be influential or not, work out your own destiny in your own way under God. Whether you be blest with a good mind or an average mind is not so important; but it is 'all important that you develop to the fullest the mind with which you are endowed by nature and God.'"

After the address, Rosewig's "Ave Maria" was sung by J.

Mohan, tenor, of Grand Rapids. This was followed by solemn benediction and the recessional, "Hero March" by Mendelssohn, Miss Maxwell at the organ.

At the close of the exercises a formal reception was given the graduating class in the church hall.

The following were granted diplomas:

Classical course—Rose Ballgè, Helen Donohue, Mildred Farnan, Francis Fitzpatrick, Beatrice McCarthy, Philip Ryan and Betty Somerville; Literary course—Harold Allen, Stella Breidenstein, Mary Ellen Carroll, Homer Claffey, Hannah Cuthbert, Joseph Donoghue, Alphonso Epple, Frances Ernest, Ralph Farnan, Frances Fitzgerald, Mae Grisdale, Lucille Kaiser, Joseph Kirkey, Ethel Lawler, Edwardine Murphy, Genevieve Naumes and Genevieve Theisen.

Class day exercises were held Monday evening at the high school auditorium with the following program being presented: Chorus, seniors and juniors; salutatory, Rosa Ballgè; class poem, Beatrice McCarthy; selection by senior mixed quartet; reading by Betty Somerville; "The Year 1927" by Stella Breidenstein, Genevieve Naumes, Homer Claffey and Francis Fitzpatrick; class song by the seniors; valedictory by Helen Donohue; address by Reverend J. A. Mulvey.

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## Football

### GOOD FOOTBALL PROSPECTS FOR SACRED HEART

Two New Coaches Have 12  
Letter Men And Good Raw  
Material To Pick From

Last Monday, pupils of Sacred Heart Academy witnessed the opening of school and also the opening of football practice.

Great things are expected of the boys this fall and they are resolved to fulfill these expectations. With twelve letter-men returning prospects are bright. Those returning are: Captain Casey, Theisen, Joe English, C. English, Gleason, L. Hackett, Little McGurk, Sowles, W. Duffy, Neff and Breidenstein, and much is expected of the new material especially of A. Duffy, a guard, weighing 160 pounds.

Two coaches are engaged by the Academy this year. "Chub" Stammates, a star at Battle Creek college a year ago, and a former letter-man at the University of Indiana, is backfield coach, and Reeks, also a star at Battle Creek, is to coach the line. With two coaches such as these the team should receive the best of instructions.

New suits are to be purchased this year which will include new "flashing red" jerseys with white stripes, new pants and socks.

Showers will be placed in the auditorium for the use of the athletes.

Games are being arranged with Clare, Ewart, St. Louis, St. Mary's of Saginaw, St. Mary's of Muskegan, St. Andrew's of Saginaw, Grand Rapids Catholic, Central Reserves, St. Mary's or St. James of Bay City and Sacred Heart's old rival—Mt. Pleasant high.

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