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SECOND YEAR THROWS SWINGING CLASS NIGHT

On February 21, the halls echoed with the frenzied shouts of the sophomores holding their first (class)-night. It began with a dodge-ball tournament in the gym, during which Mr. Poli risked his life and vest as referee. As the finals neared, wild screams shattered the air, tempers flared, bets were laid, and the players themselves snarled viciously at each other. At the end of the game, after Fr. Nebesky and Mr. Poli left, pandemonium really broke loose.

These atrocities lasted until 6:00 P.M., whereupon we assembled for our banquet. Those present had to slip a dollar to Mr. Poli, the waiter, to get a seat. Following a delectable repast of turkey, ham and potato salad, and soda, playboys of Second Year decided to do the "limbo." Finishing their pheasant-under-glass, the faculty looked on. Tony O'Neill and John Murphy provided new interpretations of this old contortion. However, when Ed Krasniewski bounced the limbo, the faculty could not be restrained. Mr. Poli was the first to squeeze under the pole. From that point on, it was a matter of honor among the teachers. Fr. Griffin snarled and slid under the pole, Fr. Zoshak eased himself under with a cigar in his mouth. Fr. Murphy, Fr. Nebesky and Fr. Carroll had to forego their efforts because the pole could not be raised high enough.

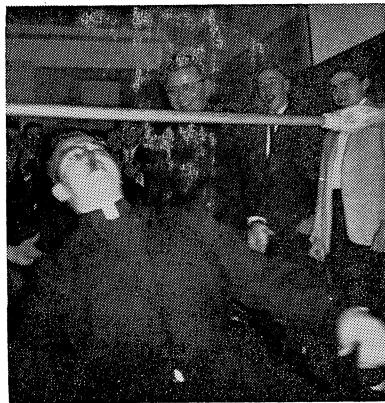
Returning to the auditorium, Peter Bosch, Tommy Sandy, John Murphy, and Tom Malvey rendered the "Bluntly-Blinkly News Report." Eddie Duffy and Mike Garni presented "One Man's Family Goes To Court."

Language Lab Coming

A language laboratory will be installed in Room 304 either during the Easter vacation or the summer recess. The Faculty hopes that it can be ready quite early during the summer, so that they can have a preparatory course in operating all the assorted paraphernalia connected with such a program.

The lab will feature tapes suitable to every degree of advancement. Although there will be tapes for the Modern Languages, this program will cater mainly to the study of Latin and Greek. There will also be tapes on other high school subjects for the use of those college men who wish to review any facet of their high school education.

Fr. Carroll has said that the lab, once complete, will have a capacity of forty students and that classes will be held there approximately three times a week.



2B presented "The Silly Symphony" and "The Movie Monster" with Jim Taylor and Brian Baldwin. The last activity of the evening was a film, "Winning With The Yankees." This silent movie demonstrated the Faculty's proficiency in fixing broken school equipment. They are still trying to fix the sound system on the projector.

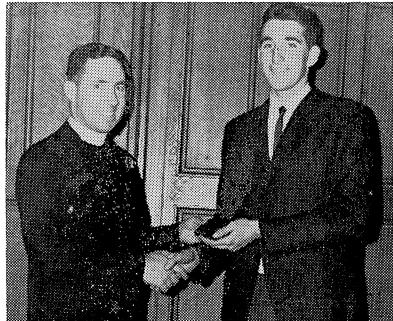
Barring the after-effects, all agree that it was a enjoyable evening.

MORE TESTS

On Tuesday, March 5, the juniors were subjected to the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, while their brethren-in-suffering, the sophomores and freshmen, struggled through the National Educational Development Test, a mere aptitude test. The N. M. S. Corporation administered the test, taken by Third Year and countless thousands of others. On the basis of the test results, the Corporation awards 48,000 letters of commendation. In addition, those who have registered the 13,000 highest marks become eligible for about 1,000 scholarships that are awarded by sponsoring corporations, foundations, associations, unions, and individuals as well as the N. M. S. Corp. These tests serve, supposedly, the further purpose of informing students of their strengths and weaknesses and capacity for College work.

Seniors Win Scholarship

Fourth Year students won six of the sixteen thousand scholarships awarded by the New York State Board of Regents. Thomas Donohue, Kenneth Dooley, John Holbrook, John O'Malley, Christopher Thieke, and Harold Wessell will receive grants ranging from \$250 to \$750. The amount varies according to the taxable income of their fathers and the college tuition. Twelve other seniors were named as alternates, who will receive the scholarships of the winners who do not or cannot accept theirs. The scholarship test itself, taken last October, was a comprehensive one, including a 250-word essay on some abstract topic followed by 300 questions on English grammar and usage, vocabulary, literature, the arts, history, science, mathematics, and social studies.



Varsity Player Honored

Michael Griffin, the 6' 6" junior who led the varsity with 318 points this year, has been named as a member of the all division team. The teams of our division, in addition to ourselves, are St. Agnes, Sacred Heart, St. Raymonds, and Tolentine. Although Cathedral fared rather poorly in our division, Mike obviously impressed the other coaches. Mike will be back next year and it is hoped that he'll have many more games like the DuBois game in which he paced the Cathedral team on to victory with 31 points.

Student Body Attends Mass For Monsignor Potter

The final, forced cough echoed and died in the chapel and an expectant hush drifted over the congregation. He stepped to the pulpit, surveyed the attentive audience, and spoke. This momentous event took place on February 11 on the occasion of Father Philip Potter's Mass to celebrate his elevation to the rank of Papal Chamberlain.

Following a solemn Mass celebrated by Monsignor Potter, assisted by Fathers Wilkinson and Nebesky, Monsignor Greene preceded to address the student body. He spoke of the need of vocations to the priesthood, especially good, devoted teachers, like Monsignor Potter, to spread Christ's growing kingdom to aspiring young men. He mentioned that Monsignor Potter well deserved this honor because of his years of service to the college, his good example, and that his kindness has gained him entrance to the hearts of all college men. After concluding his speech, Monsignor Greene introduced the guest of honor.



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Editorial

Because of the sacred trust vested in us as members of the free press, we can no longer remain silent in the face of such flagrant abuses in our school. The questions we are about to raise are questions that every student and faculty member should thoughtfully consider: questions concerning the highest, most respected office in our school — that of mayor.

Three months ago, Timothy Dorsey was "elected" mayor. What has he done since then to carry out his tasks and duties as the representative of the student body?

He has not maintained order, the first job of any government. Why did he stand by idly, while the Third Year classes engaged in a protracted and bloody Civil War? He could and should have had a summit conference, or at least disarmament negotiations underway by now.

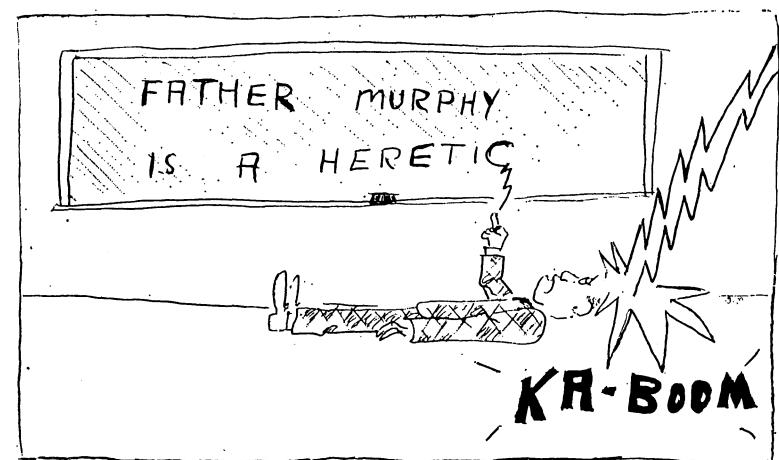
The Freshman cast their votes for him, trusting gullibly that he would protect them from the strong-arm bossism of Second Year, and we don't have to tell you how our "honest" mayor turned the other way while the "Second Roman Empire of Second Year" was enslaving the Freshmen and thrusting a *Pax Romana* upon them. Here is unmistakable evidence of bribery.

Still more shameful was his sellout to the Faculty. Where was he when Fr. Niebrzydowski set his infamous *let(lit)erbox*? Why wasn't he protecting student interests when we began having singing lessons on Fridays after school? Jug still continues day in and day out. Why doesn't he do something, We'll tell you why. He and the rest of the college have sold the H. S. down the river, for the price of immunity from jug. (You never see any college men in jug any more, do you?) We should have foreseen this Judas-like betrayal when Fr. Moriarty endorsed him during the campaign.

Moreover, how did he get into office? His political machine, the college, bought him the job. Bribery, plain and simple. Then, as we of the High School meekly turn the other cheek, he levies a \$10 tax on every man, woman, and child of Fourth Year, calling it, in the words of his right hand man, Fr. Gartland, a "graduation fee." We want — no, we demand — High School democracy, not College plutocracy! Let us have a referendum, in which every man counts as one, and none for more than one.

Thus the rich, haughty aristocrats of the upper classes have for a time subdued the lower classes. But, as in all economic struggles, characterized by class warfare, the lower classes shall eventually rise to the top and seize the reins of power. Remember what happened to the Czar!

We want action. Give us a man that will do something for the students. Cathedral deserves something better than a do-nothing mayor.



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

By EDWARD O'CONNELL

Peter Notch of 1B threatens to move to Alaska if his classmates refuse to let him open the windows... William McKenna of 1B issues fair warning that the next guy to call him "Wee Willie" gets socked in the shin... Who on the sixth floor is called "Red Buttons"?... Some Third Year students are wondering whether Father Byrne wrote the song, "Walk Like a Man"... The other day, Mister Tavani caught Father Gartland walking on the gym floor with his street shoes. When Mister Tavani told him about the new rules, Father laughed and then threatened to rip up the floor for another six weeks... We have to give Kevin Bell credit for trying. The other day he was taking a religion test and the answer to one of the questions was "Two centuries." Kevin put down "One century" as the answer. After the test, he asked Father Murphy for half credit... Edward Kane has such a strong affection for the school that he hardly ever goes home at three o'clock any more... Father Carroll is sponsoring a fifty-mile hike for the Drama Club. They are to start on Eighty-seventh Street and West End Avenue and walk west in a straight line.

WRITING CONTESTS

Students at Cathedral College have been invited to take part in the thirtieth annual Prose Writers' Contest for high school juniors and seniors conducted by the department of English of New York University's Washington Square College of Arts and Science.

Contestants may submit one manuscript in any form of prose composition, including the short story, feature article, essay, editorial, or sketch. Entries should be not fewer than 1,000 nor more than 3,000 words in length. The deadline for contest entries is April 5, 1963. See Father Lynch for further details.

There is also a poetry writing contest. See the poster on the fifth floor.

THE ANSWER MAN

(As a public service, the ANSWER MAN answers some of the unanswerable questions that crop up daily at Cathedral.)

Question: Why was the cafeteria remodeled during lunchtime?

Answer: Keep quiet and blow the sawdust off your sandwich.

Question: Why was the gym repaired during the basketball season?

Answer: What difference did it make?

Question: Who loused up the Pepsi machine in the cafeteria, so that as a result it gives only half a cup of soda?

Answer: Those who think young.

Question: Why does the fire escape end on the fourth floor?

Answer: Because it doesn't go to the fifth floor.

Question: Why is Cathedral on West End Avenue?

Answer: Because all the stationery is addressed that way.

Question: What, if any, is O.V.L.'s method?

Answer: (For this answer, we went to the English maestro himself) "My method? Man to man in the first half; zone in the second." (He never was much of an answer man.)

Question: Is it true that the average Cathedral student borrows from the library one-eighth of a book a year?

Answer: "Ze gud Doktor" says it is true. Furthermore, the above-average student takes out one-third of a book a year. Such book-borrowing habits keep the librarian busy each summer, pasting all those books back together again.

Question: Why must Fourth Year pay a graduation fee when it has no graduation?

Answer: To pay for the renovation of the gym and the cafeteria.

Alumni Corner

By JAMES FLANAGAN

On June 11, three members of Cathedral's Faculty will reach one of the most important milestones in their lives as priests: the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of their Ordination to the Priesthood.

Of this year's jubilarians, the one whom most Cathedral students meet first is the Reverend James Joseph Hanlon.

Father Hanlon was born on October 27, 1913 in St. Stephen's Parish. After spending three years in Ireland, he attended Public School 11, and later, Holy Trinity School. From 1927 to 1932, Father attended Cathedral, where he was, as the class yearbook, the *Tryptych*, tells us, "a good baseball player, and in basketball, he has an 'eagle-eye.' In the classroom, Jim stands among the first." He also made a name for himself as Sacristan, through his diligent care of the altar and vestments. While studying at St. Joseph's Seminary, he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree, and later was awarded a Master of Science degree by Fordham University.

Following two years of service at St. Paul's Parish in Staten Island, Father was assigned to the Faculty of Cathedral College, of which he has been a member for the past twenty-three years, serving variously as a General Science teacher, Religion teacher, and Biology teacher. Serving in this latter capacity, Father has become famous not only for his courses in dissecting earthworms and identifying trees on Riverside Drive, but also as a devoted moderator of many student activities. Presently, he serves as Moderator of the Radio and Photography Clubs and Freshman Intramural Basketball. He is also a member of the Academic Counseling program set up this year for First and Second Year students.

Father Hanlon has also been a week-end assistant at St. Bernard's Parish on West 14th Street for the last 20 years. He lived there, as a matter of fact, until three years ago, when he moved to the faculty house on Riverside Drive.

After twenty-five years of priestly service, Father Hanlon summed up his thoughts with these words: "Any job you're given to do, you can enjoy, if you put all your effort into it. I've liked all I've been assigned to."

When asked about his plans for the next twenty-five years, Father wisely answered, "To save my soul."

In closing, we offer our congratulations to Father Hanlon on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee, with sincere wishes for many more fruitful and blessed years in the service of Christ.



Ann Slanders

Some of our readers have been wondering why "Dear Biddy" has not appeared in this year's *CATHEDRALITE*. The reason is that Biddy was asked to leave the school. Her sister-in-law, Ann Slanders, has graciously consented to fill in for her at this time. So if you have a problem — and we know that you all do — do not hesitate to ask Ann for help. Of course, she may be of no help at all, but then what did Biddy ever do?

Dear Ann,

I seem to be slipping lately; some of the boys are getting over ninety-five consistently, even though I give the same tests as always. I have bought a new gross of red pencils and reread my 200 volumes of more obscure Irish history, but none of this seems to work. What can I do?

Afraid.

Dear Afraid,

Adopt a liberal attitude in picking questions. Prosperity is just around the corner. You have nothing to fear but fear itself.

Dear Ann,

My students think I'm too young. How do I increase my stature around here?

Ninety-eight pound Weakling.

Dear Weakling,

To increase your height, start smoking "Cavaliers." To gain a few pounds, start teaching Religion. To gain some respect, start wearing that old red cassock hanging in the faculty room.

Dear Ann,

I keep tight control of my classes, but lately my students have been rebelling. They refuse to take half-page tests and to underline the underlinings. What should I do?

Apprehensive.

Dear Apprehensive,

Don't smile. Tighten the screws, put their noses to the grindstone.

BLESSED ELIZABETH SETON

March 17, 1963, was a great day in New York for more than one reason this year. The other reason is that a native New Yorker was declared "Blessed" by the Church. Blessed Elizabeth Bayley Seton was born in New York City two years before the Revolutionary War, baptized most likely in old Trinity Church (whose records were destroyed by fire in 1776), grew up in New York, Staten Island, and New Rochelle. It is possible she was familiar with such places as what is today called Coney Island and Long Island Sound. She spent the happiest days of her childhood on the spacious farm of her uncle in New Rochelle. The old house still stands on the north corner of Pelhamdale Avenue and the Shore Road. We New Yorkers then can take a special pride and joy in the elevation of one of our number to the ranks of the "Blessed."

FORENSIC SOCIETY

SOUNDS OFF

Cathedral competed in a contest of the Catholic Forensic League, held at Cathedral Girls' High School on Lincoln's Birthday. Thomas Derivan won a fifth-place trophy for the third consecutive time. He spoke in the original oratory category. Next time, he will try his hand at extempore speech.

John Murphy of Second Year spoke in the extempore category, improving his technique and score over the previous attempt made at Cardinal Spellman High School before Christmas. Appearing for the first time in an extra-mural contest, Kenneth Ackerman did an excellent job, in three rounds placing respectively fourth, second, and third. Andrew Torres, also of Third Year, struggling with a newly memorized speech, made his best showing in the third round.

In a Second Year elocution contest held in the library early this month, George Kovach placed first, Brian Baldwin second, and William Bowe third. It is possible that one of more of these will represent Second Year in the main high school elocution contest to be held in May.

On April 6th the New York Catholic Forensic League will hold its Grand Tournament at Mount St. Michael. The categories will be original oratory, extempore, oratorical interpretation, dramatic monologue, and prose and poetry reading. We hope to enter two contestants in each of these.

As March wends its way into April, one color stands out from all the others — green. It seizes its honored place during March for several reasons:

Green glitters Springtime, vivid and clear,
She winds her way in like a young buccaneer;
Nature sets sail from verdant bay,
Upon a sea of emeralds gay.
Greener still Saint Patrick's Day,
Vaunting its Kelly Green array.
A million Irishmen are there;
Green ribbons, shamrocks everywhere.
Greenest the day of exam returns,
When fierce remorse within us burns;
Our faces fall; no tongues can gab —
Glum with spirits of olive drab.

THE THEATER

By LAURENCE PAQUETTE

The sound of music has returned to Cathedral and already these hal-lowed halls are ringing to the delightful melodies of Father Carroll, Father Zoshak, aid the Musicale company. The production is beginning to take on its basic form, and it will probably be built around the theme of folk music. A suggestion by Father Carroll prompted the name for the musical venture, "This Land is Your Land," which would feature a tour in song of the North, South, East, and West of the U.S.A. Nearly every class in the House has contributed to the project so far, and the cast and crew are working well under the capable direction of Father Carroll and Father Zoshak.

Also along the line of theatrical events on the horizon for Cathedral is the upcoming Fourth Year play. Some difficulties, however, have arisen over what play should be performed. The first suggestions handed in proved to be in favor of *Arsenic and Old Lace*, but this idea was abandoned due to the lack of female talent to play the roles of the aunts. *Billy Budd* and *Stalag 17* were turned down for fear of odious comparisons with the fine motion pictures of the same name. The final choice fell to *Harvey*, upon Father Carroll's suggestion. *Harvey* is the story of a man who has for his companion nothing less than a six-foot tall invisible rabbit. This play was selected not only for its humor and simplicity, but also because it requires no elaborate costuming or staging.

Fifth Year is putting on a presentation of *Everyman*, a morality play which stars abstract qualities and attributes e.g., Good Deeds, Friendship, Riches, etc. It will be interesting to see how the production staff will portray them.

We hope Father Carroll turns in as fine a performance this year as he did with last year's Musicale and showing of *Twelve Angry Men*.

A cultural enlightenment program has been planned for the House during the upcoming weeks. On Tuesday, March 26, Father Carroll and Father Lynch will accompany a group of 32 students to the afternoon performance of *The Taming of the Shrew* at the Anderson Theatre. Fourth Year will attend the opera *Barber of Seville* at the Metropolitan Opera House, on Monday, April 8, in the company of Father Byrne and Father Dennen. Also, tickets are now on sale for the student showings of Gilbert and Sullivan's *H.M.S. Pinafore* and *Pirates of Penzance*, and may be obtained at the price of \$1.00 apiece from Father Lynch.

PHOTO CLUB
DEVELOPING WELL

Renovations in the photography room have been completed. The re-decorated darkroom has an air ventilator, modern lighting, and brand new benches arranged so that they can be conveniently used. Anyone who wishes to inspect the premises is most cordially invited.

Members have been enthusiastic about the films shown at the Tuesday meetings. "Sils" Giuntini, the Club's treasurer, wants to charge admission. Each film is connected with the art of photography in some way. There have been several on the history of the camera. Some have demonstrated how to take a good picture with a box camera. On the meeting of March 12, the club viewed a color documentary on the procedure followed in the filming of the famous Blue Angels.

You may have noticed the plaque honoring John Wenz and Lenny Cardillo of 1B in the lecture room. It cites their heroism in the line of duty. When a film had snapped while it was rewinding, these men, at the risk of being swamped by 100 feet of broken film, succeeded in shutting off the rampant projector.

Congratulations are in order for Kenny Stringer of 1B for his success in developing and enlarging his first roll of film. Ken Schoenfelder is sponsoring a victory celebration for him.

There have been two photography contests in the last five weeks. Fathers Hanlon, Zoshak, and Lynch unanimously voted first prize to Lenny Cardillo in the February contest. Gennaro Gentile of 4A won second prize. On March 5, the Club was honored by the presence of Monsignor Greene, who, together with Fathers Lynch and Niebryzowski, judged our second contest. First place went to Stephen Senesi of 3B; second to Ken Schoenfelder; and third to Kenny Stringer.

With the arrival of Spring, Father Hanlon, the moderator, will conduct photographic trips to museums and various silvan spots.

MSGR. POTTER

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Monsignor Potter thanked Monsignor Greene and said that he was most thankful for the honor conferred on him but more so that honor conferred on the College. He mentioned that nothing was more important to him than the training of seminarians for the priesthood. He reminded everyone of the dignity of the priesthood and its great powers and advised all to make good use of the time God allots to us in this short life. In concluding his speech Msgr. Potter said that we should place all our faith and trust in the Blessed Virgin.

It is Monsignor's respect for the students and his justice which wins him the College's admiration and esteem. He wishes every seminarians to acquire those qualities of humility, devotion to duty, and fairness which characterize truly great men.

SPORTS

By RICHARD COLT and LAWRENCE DiFIORE

Faculty Beats College — This Time in Basketball

On February 20, 1963, a curious group of men romped out onto the basketball court of Cardinal Hayes High School. It was our Faculty. As usual, the game was a farce. After the Faculty warmed up a bit, they stopped to watch their coach, Father Murphy, walk sedately to the bench, amid the thunderous applause of the spectators.

Fathers Griffin and Niebryzowski spearhead the faculty offensive, each of them scoring ten points. Father Zoshak lumbered along behind them with seven points. "The Big O" astounded the crowd by netting four points. This was astounding because when he played in college, he scored only seven points during the whole season. "I wasn't a ball hog," he explains, "like the other men on the team." Father Nebesky and Father McNiff, a visitor, also scored four points each. Father McNiff is one of the "chuckers" who played with Father Lynch on the team of 1951.

The only thing worse than the faculty team at the game was the college team. Mulvanerty scored nine, Meara four, "Moose" Lenihan and Paul LeBlanc two apiece. Of course, they weren't helped by the underhanded tactics of the faculty. Father Griffin had taught the Prep how to foul gracefully, and he put his own teachings into practice all night long. The referees kept looking the other way, but the spectators saw how the students received blow after blow from their stealthy assailant. The final score: Faculty, 41; Students, 17.

It will be a different story when the Faculty plays our regular college team on Friday night, March 22.

Thermopylae for 4A...

The class of 4A accepted 4B's challenge to a basketball game and put up a valiant fight on Monday, February 18, losing 59-101. Basketball a la 4A is much different from and more interesting than the version of the game invented by Doctor Naismith. The recent game (pardon the euphemism) ushered in many delightful innovations which went far towards thrilling the many avid and vociferous spectators. Father Lynch, the ultimate in referees, created quite a stir with his silent whistle. John O'Malley wowed the sidelines with his lightning-quick fouls, but the 4B Five became so obstreperous that John was forced to leave after only five fouls. Dennis Keane and Company scored tally after tally, harassing the score-keeper so much that he was floundering around in the eighties, when actually the points had soared well into the hundreds. I stopped counting after 101.

Cathedralite Staff Boldly Challenges Faculty...

It is the pleasure of the members of the CATHEDRALITE staff to challenge any or all of the faculty to a fifty-mile hike. Because we are proposing the dare, the faculty will have their choice of courses. We hope that the younger professors will have the nerve to embark upon this venture, in order to prove to us that they are not really so soft as they appear.



Bishop to Talk on

Second Vatican Council

The Liturgical Society has announced that on Monday, April 1, at 3:00 P.M., His Excellency, the Most Reverend Joseph M. Pernicone, Auxiliary Bishop of New York will lecture in the College auditorium. The subject of His Excellency's talk will be the Second Vatican Council. All the members of the house are cordially invited to attend this lecture on a most important and historic topic of the greatest concern not only to us seminarians, but also to all Catholics and indeed the whole world.



The basketball season is over now and the statistics are beginning to pile up. The Prep's record this year was 7-14. This is a slight improvement over last year's 4-16. This is the way it went. (League games are starred.)

Cathedral vs.

St. Helena	40-43	-
Sacred Heart	60-81	*
Rice	55-76	*
Salesian	39-36	+
Pius X	38-57	-
St. Agnes	48-67	+
St. Raymond	63-70	-
Manhattan	38-59	*
Tolentine	39-45	*
Pius X	65-63	-
Sacred Heart	64-88	*
Iona	45-74	*
Dubois	74-63	+
Yeshiva	76-56	+
St. Raymond	48-46	+
St. Agnes	53-67	-
Spellman	45-65	*
Tolentine	38-74	-
Salesian	75-52	+
Dubois	45-67	-
Brooklyn Cathedral	52-53	-

*League games