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Bishop Armstrong High School

April 24, 1959

May 9th, Senior Class Ball Theme-Roman Springtime

ew Date Set For lee Clubs Concert

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Mr. Anton Dorndorf announced day that the concert, by the shop Armstrong High School ee Clubs, originally scheduled r this evening, has been transrred to an evening in the latter rt of May. It will be held in the cClatchy High School Auditorm.

The concert will contain both cred and secular selections. The ozart Mass—"Missa Brevis in Major" so well received by those ho heard it at the Red Mass in the Cathedral, will be repeated. Once polyphonic works of the sixtenth century will round out the cred part of the concert.

The secular portion of the proram will be a tribute to the merican Musical Comedies, Selecons from the three Broadway usicals, South Pacific, My Fair ady, and The King And I are beg rehearsed.

Honor Roll

The first quarter honor roll in second semester is as follows:

A Honor Roll

Seniors—E. Bastian, P. Larrabee. Juniors—R. Buford, J. Deus, C. ord, P. Kelley, H. Viani.

B Honor Roll

Seniors—R. Bartus, L. Bell, M. ertolozzi, W. Boudier, M. Bush, Chester, C. Clark, J. Dillon, B. scajeda, C. Farris, R. Fuel, D. ardner, J. Gwinn, J. Habecker, L. Harling, P. Kahler, M. Kelly, Kropp, R. Laws, V. Lazzari, R. ima, K. McLaughlin, A. Molina, Moore, B. Morgan, R. Mulligan, tanley Pimentel, J. Pieretti, A. roctor, D. Ramos, A. Rodriguez, L. Roosevelt, G. Rust, J. Stassi, Share, R. Trujillo, J. Vicuna, A. Villiams.

Juniors—C. Anzinger, M. Benett, C. Capineri, J. Cord, B. Deal,
Fisher, M. Foiles, K. Geary,
Glero, E. Gomez, M. Haley, P.
Iarlow, P. Hobrecht, M. Hodges,
Holmberg, S. Koch, T. Lagomarsino, L. Lima, C. Macie, M.
Ianey, P. Manno, J. Marinovich,
Martinelli, M. Murphy, F. Niseich, A. Proske, B. Pugliese, S.
Iakela, J. Ravelette, G. Rendall,
M. Roberts, L. Schuering, J. Scott,
M. Silva, P. Stilson, J. Stinson, D.



(1 to r) Mike Rogers (who was just standing around) Joan Dubey, Duke McAlpine, JoAnn O'Connell, decorations; Bart Bleuel, publicity; and Rosemary Valine, bids; are in a huddle over plans for the coming May 9th Senior Ball, "Roman Springtime." — photo by Sirlin

SPRING FEVER

Spring seems to have come at last and, with its coming, many otherwise bright, intelligent and earnest students have contacted spring fever. The malady which is so dreaded by teachers and parents alike, has struck again. Will it come and then be gone quickly, something like influenza? No such luck. The trouble with this thing is its staying power. It will probably be around until next October, and that's a long, long time away.

Now don't panic. This sickness isn't fatal—not usually, that is. Don't let it be in your case, anyway. Wouldn't it be terrible to fail just before graduation or just before entering your senior year? But that doesn't usually happen. What does happen is that B students become C students and C students drop to a C-.

There is an antidote to this. The antidote is hard work and study. We realize that when the lovely aroma of flowers and apple blossoms is floating through the windows and the weather is starting to get just right for swimming and the sky is clear blue—well, it's hard to keep thinking about dangling participles, chemistry valences, and algebraic equations. But remember, where there's a will, there's a way. Make sure you have a will! It won't be easy but if we work hard we can conquer this disease. Down with Spring Fever!!

J. A. A.

SODALITY IS TO HONOR MARY WITH CROWNING

Beth Gregory, Sodality prefect, has been chosen to crown the statue of Our Blessed Lady on Friday, May 1st, when His Excellency, Bishop McGucken will preside at this annual solemn function.

Members of the girls' sodality will form a living rosary around the Armstrong's gym preceding the entrance of the queen and her court.

Members of the court are Linda Bell, maid of honor; Mary Joan Kelly, Socorro Soto, Sheila Conway, JoAnn Pieretti, Sylvia Rodriguez, Patricia Silva, Grace Jean Risse, Rita Mulligan, and Lucille

Stanford Home Hosts Senior Girls At Tea

On April 22, the senior girls of Bishop Armstrong attended the annual Stanford Home Tea. This tea was started by Sister Ignatia, the Mother Superior of Stanford Home, in 1946, and has since become a tradition.

The girls at Stanford Home conducted the girls of BAHS on a tour of the home and later served them refreshments of tea and coffee. Comments by the senior girls were that they enjoyed the visit and had regrets that they could only go

May 9 will be a magic night for the senior class as it assembles for the senior ball which will be held in the Tuesday Clubhouse from 8:30 to 11:30. Couples will dance to the music of Bill Rase amid a bubbling fountain and tall, stately columns. These will carry out the "Roman Springtime" theme. Other decorations of flowers, butterflies, and ivy will help to lend an atmosphere of gay dignity to the ball. Carole Skeels and John Stassi are general chairmen, assisted by Jo Ann O'Connell, decorations chairman; Rosemary Valine, bids and refreshments.

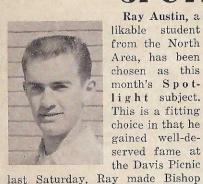
Many industrious seniors are busily preparing for the coming dance, which promises to be a huge success. Among these are Pat Kahler, Judy Barry, Donna Petrocchi, Peggy Smart, Judy Regan, Marianne Bush, Carole Farris, Beth Gregory, Helen Matushak, Ardith Rosa, Joyce Rosa, Bonnie Madden, Kay Orpeza, Libby Rivera, Sandy Pimentel, Mary Leone Albert, Jeannette Share and Sylvia Rodriguez. Maureen Hughes, Kathy Farley, Brooke Morgan, and Linda Bell, who will work on decorations. The bids committee, headed by Rosemary Valine, has already chosen a bid design. Rosemary's helpers are Joan Dubey, Pat Vasti, Rosemary Mandella, Marsha King, Rosaline Lima, and Pat Schantz. Bart Bleuel is in charge of publicity.



Science teacher, Sister Miriam, O.S.F., has won a fellowship from the National Science Foundation. Included in the award are two summers at Notre Dame University, where she will have her expenses paid while continuing her biology



SPOTLIGHT



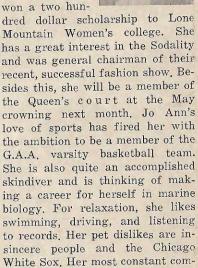
Ray Austin, a likable student from the North Area, has been chosen as this month's Spotlight subject. This is a fitting choice in that he gained well-deserved fame at the Davis Picnic

White Sox. Her most constant companions are Renee Bartus, Karen Sullivan, Phyllis Thomas, and

Armstrong very proud of him at this famous Cal-Aggie Track Meet when he placed first in the Medium school's class A division 440. As anchor man for the relay team, Ray won for us a good third place in the relay event, besides placing in all his own events. His activities are confined not only to track, but also to Sodality and Block A. (Brother Ronald strongly believes Ray should order at least 12 Block A pins to be used in emergencies.) College life appeals to both Ray and his accomplice, Jan Deveny, for they will attend Saint Mary's after graduation in June.

Ray's favorite topic of conversation these days seems to be of his and Jan's plans to start Saint Mary's first track team next year.

Jo Ann Pieretti, a top senior student, is the girl subject for this month's Spotlight. Jo Ann, a member of the "B" honor roll and a life member in C.S.F. recently



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Businessmen Will Visit Our School

Early in the semester, many of our teachers were guests of various businesses on Business-Education Day. Now the teachers are returning the favor and on April 28th, designated as Education-Business day, approximately thirty-five businessmen will visit Armstrong.

During the course of the day, they will visit classes, tour the school, speak to the teachers, and lunch with the administration and Father J. Poole.

The purpose of this meeting is to make the operation of the Catholic schools better understood by these men.

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Shirley Power, TALON'S circulation manager, won first place for this essay on vocations sponsored by the Sodality and English department.

"She? A nun? Don't make me laugh! She just

isn't the type." A familiar refrain, isn't it? It is a common belief that a girl has to be a certain type to become a religious.

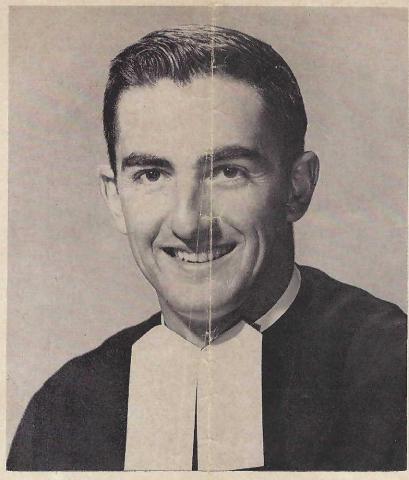
I disagree wholeheartedly with this theory. I have heard girls say that the convent is for the wall-flower. Just because a girl has been blessed with a vocation to the religious life does not mean that she cannot be a full-of-life, fun-loving, popular girl. In fact, it is very important for a sister to have a pleasing personality because she is living in such close contact with others.

The life in the convent calls for the ability to follow a well-planned schedule that is designed to leave as much time as possible for prayer—prayer to become more pleasing to God; prayer to keep her vow of obedience; prayer to make the most of what she has to serve God in the best way possible.

When a girl enters the convent, she does not miraculously change into a saint just by donning the veil. She is still the girl she was when she was out in the world. She still has the same human nature and weaknesses that she always had. It takes work and, most of all, prayer to learn to control her wordly ways and human inclinations. But, with the help of God, she will soon settle down to the community way of life, living in a close and happy harmony with her sisters in the convent.

A vocation should appeal to a Catholic girl because it means that she is one of the "chosen few" to be an extra-special friend and helper of God. The opportunities for traveling, meeting interesting people, and helping the indigent are unlimited in the religious life.

Some girls believe that because they love children so much is a sign that they should be mothers instead of religious. In a certain sense, religious are mothers—spiritual, counseling, loving mothers to orphans school children high



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He had dreams of being in the air corps... then the thought came, "Why not aim higher?"... asked admittance to the Brothers at Mont La Salle... was accepted... put heart and soul into his training.

He aimed still higher by volunteering for the Missions . . . became an enthusiastic teacher at C.B.S., Sacramento . . . liked by his students . . . was firm but very kind . . . almost gave up hope of being chosen for the Missions . . . a sudden invitation from his superiors . . . joyful acceptance and a trip to the Philippines . . . several years of successful teaching in Manila . . . picked to help establish a free school for the poor deep in the jungles.

God chose to take him still higher . . . a sudden fever . . . a week of illness . . . then called to the heights of heaven while receiving Extreme Unction.

Someone is needed to replace Brother Jeffrey in the Philippines. Could that someone be you?

school and college students.

The amount of education that a religious can acquire is staggering. If a girl is interested in anything from domestic work to occupational therapy, there is a chance for advancement in her field of interest. Usually, when a person thinks of a sister, she thinks of a teacher. Of course, many religious are teachers; but there are sisters who are

nurses, cooks, missionaries, lab technicians, authors, and are many other things besides teachers.

So please, when you hear that someone is going into the convent—before you say "She's just not the type."—stop and think; she probably IS the type, because almost any good Catholic girl IS the type.

Bars! Black rooms! Board be Is this what the seminary is lil Not quite.

On a hectic September day, 18 Armstrong High was born. The years later, another confusing of Graduation. From the first day the last I was Joe High Schristing toward an uncertain votion. I had been considering priesthood and finally decided enter the seminary after Ser Year. And here I find mysel down the peninsula at St. Josep College.

The Seminary is girded on the sides by hills. Atop one starpicturesque Maryknoll. To north, the Bay. The campus its quite attractive—relatively land beautifully landscaped.

Every morning the seminar leaves his bright new one-noom for Mass. After a "hear breakfast, he wishes it was ti for lunch! The school day state eight-thirty. The class perial seminarian attends daily range from three to five. On the Collwing, the courses—hard but "unpassable"—compare with Lital Arts. As far as recreation go St. Joseph's has everything Advanced Crochet Racing.

Seminarians themselves are great lot. They work hard, are ways ready for a good practi joke, and are never too busy help someone in need. Their div sity of opinion is healthy and teresting. But it is the comm goal of seminarians, which, aball, gives a seminary an incoparable atmosphere.

Leo Rodriguez, Armstrong gruate of '58, author of this artiis presently studying for the prie hood at St. Joseph's Minor Sen nary, Mountain View, Californ



SPORTS PARADE

By Roger Peters

April is the month of almosts. Track is almost over; likewise, golf and tennis are almost over. Spring football practice is almost here. A sports writer can almost find something to write about.

April is the month of reminiscing. Last year at this time, Dick Mooney was coming home from the Cal Aggie track and field meet with a win in the 100 and a second in the 220. We sit back and recall tales of the pleasant past. Tales of Armstrong glory on all fields of athletic endeavor. The football years of Bob Gatiss and Ernie Cervantes and Jim Mikacich. The once-a-game play—the double "whammy." The string of five straight football championships in the NIC. We remember the hard-court team of a few years ago who went to the Tournament of Champions. Mikacich, Bollinger, Sanchez, Munizich, Amistani. And, of course, King Baseball at Bishop Armstrong.

April is also mail month. We got the following notice from a fellow high school sports writer: "One word of wisdom to those wishing to parlay a few quids on the nags at the Derby; don't bet on Native Dancer, she won't run. Folyd Patterson, the Heavyweight Hermit, will show against some crazy Swede who should have better luck. Floyd, sad to say, is allergic to fighting and spends most of his time ducking verbal left jabs from pugilistic-minded sportswriters. Since winning the crown he has demonstrated a flair for subduing has-beens and never-was's, outpointing a balding professional named Moore and a balding amateur named Rademacher."

I would like to see the action resulting if we turned the above sports writer loose on Sacramento's OWN Joey Lopes.

Cindermen Score At Annual Davis Meet

Speedsters Ray Austin and Jan Deveny paced the Armstrong track team to a second place finish in the Davis track and field meet. Two days previous, the Falcons had scored a 48-26 victory over Folsom High School.

Austin blazed a :50.6 to win the 440 and placed third in the 220 at the annual Davis Picnic. Deveny came in second in both the high and low hurdles.

Other Armstrong placers at the Picnic were Al Sardelich, fourth in the 880; Dave Weiner, fourth in low hurdles; Art Williams, third in mile; and John Deus, fourth in same event.

In their first meet under the lights, the Red-n-Blue cindermen overpowered the Bulldogs of Folsom. Jan Deveny won the 120 yard high hurdles and the 180 low hurdles in :15.4 and :20.3 seconds, respectively. In the sprints, Ray Austin won the century with a

timing of 10.5 and the 220 yard dash with a timing of :22.3 seconds. Dave Weiner also racked up points with a fourth in the shot putt, a second in the low and high hurdles, and a third in the 100 yard dash. Bart Bleuel took a second in that race,

Rodney Downs placed in the field events with a third in the high jump and a first in the broad jump (19 feet, 6 inches). He also came in third in the high hurdles.

In the 880, Allen Sardelich came first with a time of 2:11.2. He was followed by Gerald Scharosch and Tommy Hannah, in that order. Mike Flynn took a second in the 440, followed by Trinidad Sanchez. Art Williams won the mile in 4:15.9, his best time this year. Dave Ramos placed third in the 220, to give the Falcons a sweep in that event, too.

In the 880 relay, Armstrong placed first and second. The first team, composed of Bleuel, Downs, Deveny, and Austin, turned in a clocking of 1:36.9. The second team included Ramos, Flynn, Sanchez, and Weiner.

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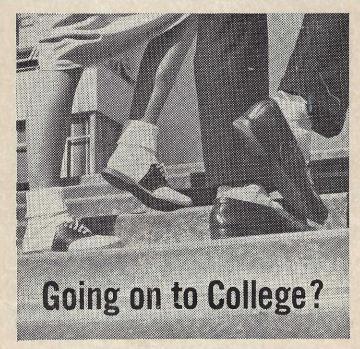
After winning six straight, Armstrong's baseball team ran into bad luck and now the Falcons boast a 8-5, won-loss record. Their first loss came at the hands of Brian Ross of Sacramento High School, Then, in quick succession, the diamondeers dropped a 2-10 decision to McClatchy High School, a 3-6 call to Grass Valley; the Falcons then pounced upon Sacramento State JV's, 8-2, behind the fivehit pitching of Frank Stewart. At Elk Grove, behind Tom Zanze's chucking, the Falcon nine edged out a 2-0 victory over the Tigers.

Armstrong dropped two more

games, to Oroville and Norte Rio. There are 4 games left on schedule.



Tom Zanze, pitcher, shows go form in above photo. Zanze is o reason for successful ball seaso —photo by Si



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