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## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 1927



**Standing:** Bernard Mauler, Walter Ross, Isidore Schmidt, Simon Schoendaller, Edmund Staab, Nicholas Leiker, Francis Staab  
**Middle Row:** William Mermis, Benjamin Werth, Francis Desch, Damian Riedel, Clement Werth  
**Sitting:** Joseph Schenk, William Griese, Theodore Pfannenstiel, Paul Wiesner, Benedict Brungardt.

### Seventeenth Annual Commencement

Held at the Strand Theatre, Friday, June 3, 1927

On Friday evening, June 3, at 8 o'clock the Seventeenth Annual Commencement of the Hays Catholic College was held in the Strand Theatre, Hays. The large theatre was filled to capacity with relatives and friends of the graduates and well-wishers of the College. The Rt. Rev. Bishop delivered the Commencement Address and held the attention of all with his splendid oration.

Following is the program and names of graduates:  
 Processional, "March of the Priests"..... Mendelsohn  
 H. C. C. Orchestra  
 Salutatory.....Joseph C. Schenk  
 "America the Beautiful".....J. S. Fearis  
 Glee Club  
 "Meaning of the Constitution".....  
 .....Leo J. Roth

Instrumental Duet, "Moonlight in Venice".....Francis F. Staab  
 N. T. Leiker  
 Accompaniment by Orchestra  
 Latin Address.....Frank C. Werth  
 Vocal Selection.....John Wiegand  
 Glee Club

Valedictory.....Walter C. Ross  
 Solo, Farewell Song.....Francis F. Staab  
 Address.....Rt. Rev. Francis J. Tief,  
 D. D., Bishop of Concordia  
 Awarding of Diplomas and Medals  
 Rev. Father Justin, O. M. Cap.,  
 Director

Taps ..... Graduates

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 Walter C. Ross  
 Joseph C. Schenk

Isidore F. Schmidt  
 Augustine A. Werth  
 Paul A. Wiesner  
 High School Department  
 Commercial  
 Francis J. Desch  
 Nicholas T. Leiker  
 Bernard F. Mauler  
 Damian A. Riedel  
 Simon W. Schoendaller  
 Edmund L. Staab  
 Francis F. Staab  
 Benjamin E. Werth  
 Finale ..... Orchestra

#### MANY AWARDS GIVEN

##### Nine Medals Awarded to Successful Students

After the distribution of the diplomas to the graduates, Father Justin, O. M. Cap., Vice-Director of the College, awarded the prizes to the successful students.

Leo Roth received the Bishop Tief oratory medal.

The two medals for the best average in Greek, offered by Father

Cyril, O. M. Cap., were awarded to Joseph Unger, college department, and Joseph C. Schenk, high school department.

The medals offered by the H. C. C. Alumni Association for the one having the highest average in class work were awarded to the following:

College department: Joseph Unger.  
 High School department:  
 Senior class, Joseph C. Schenk;  
 Junior class, Richard Drees;  
 Sophomore class, Oscar Wm. Vogel;  
 Freshman class, Bernard J. Jaster.

Father Theodore, O. M. Cap, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Ellis, Kansas, donated a medal for the best grade in general department, which was awarded to Joseph Unger.

Congratulations to all the winners!

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**AND NOW "FAREWELL"!**

We, the present staff of the H. C. C. Journal, are about to make our "exuent" from the editorial stage.

We have chronicled the humdrum, the joyous, and the woeful events from month to month with prompt regularity.

We have tried to please our subscribers without violating the ethics of journalism.

We have been dull at times because we have reflected the spirit of the times: we have also been bright because of reflection.

Our lament is that we have had so few criticisms about what we said, how we said it, or what we didn't say.

We as the present staff realized that sharp criticism is better than none: and that praise is not helpful. Let our successors take note and govern themselves accordingly next year, because the law of compensation will work around their way some time.

This is the last number of The H. C. C. Journal that we, the staff, shall put out in this school. We hope our farewell wil not "bring you to tears," but we ourselves feel a bit like it when we put pens aside for the last time.

We hope the journalists of next year will enjoy the work as much as we have.

So now we say, "Farewell,"  
The Staff of '26-'27

**AN APPRECIATION**

Realizing that without the help of Hays business men and advertisers the H. C. C. Journal could not exist, and recognizing the magnitude of the good will of these kind people, we wish to express our appreciation to one and all for the past year's patronage.

Business Manager and Staff '26-'27.

**ALUMNI DAY**

Annual Alumni Day is held by all colleges either immediately before or after the commencement exercises. This day is to be a cherished reminder of the happy day on which they set forth from their Alma Mater to make their mark in life. It is a day of happy remembrance that will continue in the memory of both the visiting "boys" and the enrolled students.

The sight of old boys strolling about the campus admiring and commenting on the things that are and

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comparing them to the things that were once a part of their daily routine, is one that does the heart good to look upon.

Things which will make such reunions enjoyable are a large group of alumni present, fine weather so that outdoor sports can be indulged in and lastly a spirit of general good fellowship.

Farewell, then, Alumni, and may this second day of June remain long in your memories as one of the most enjoyable spent at H. C. C. Be assured of a hearty welcome whenever you have opportunity to visit your Alma Mater.

—F. W. G. '27.

The Journal wishes all members of the faculty and all students a pleasant vacation.

**GOLDEN JUBILEE**

**TO BE CELEBRATED**

St. Fidelis's Seminary at Herman, Pa. the Alma Mater of the majority of the Hays Catholic College faculty will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its foundation on Wednesday June 8, with a splendid program.

The committee in charge will endeavor to have as many of the old grads back for this day as possible. Mr. William Grabbe of Catherine is one of the oldest alumni of St. Fidelis College. Among other Ellis County alumni of S. F. C. are to be mentioned: Mr. Alex Meier, Mr. B. M.

Dreiling, Mr. Joseph Schmitt, Mr. Joe Meier, Mr. John Leiker, Mr. Frank Heili, Mr. Leo B. Wiesner, Mr. William Schmeidler.

The faculty and students of H. C. C. extend to their sister institution heartiest congradtulations and best wishes for many more successful years.

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**PATRIOTISM AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY**  
(First Prize Essay)

What is patriotism? Patriotism is a devotion to ones country. True patriotism is a very good expression of the people to manifest their love for their country. It is that expression and feeling of the people which induces respect for the law and obedience to civil authority.

What is christian charity? Christian charity is a benevolence and love of man for his fellow-men. It makes itself manifest in the dealings of men and of nations with each other. It is that feeling and regard for the rights of our fellow-citizens and of our foreign brethren, which should be instilled in the hearts of all truly patriotic peoples. In general it is a virtue which governs the acts of man with his fellow-men.

The question might now be asked, "What has Christian charity to do with patriotism," or vice versa? It may be answered that patriotism and Christian charity have a certain relation to each other which concerns the national feeling of the people, and the dealings of the nations with one another. In the consileration of the relation between patriotism and Christian charity the question of war is the most important.

Suppose a man were to announce as his guiding principle such a dictum as, "Myself may I always be right: but right or wrong, myself!" He would certainly be an undesirable man for society. He would be a man that would disregard the rights and privileges of others, and have concern for himself only. But suppose a man were to announce for his slogan, "My country, may she always be right: but right or wrong, my country alone." Such a man would appear on the front pages of all newspapers. The editors do not stop to consider the real meaning of his motto, in eulogizing such a man. They do not reflect that his motto is opposed to the principles of Christian Charity, which is more important than patriotism. It is to this extent that the patriotism of the world today has extended her teachings. We may see therefore that patriotism which seems so innocent

is able to do unthought of devastation.

Just as no society may be formed by individuals, so no nation may have the leading dictatorship of the world in such an unusual regard for its own interests, and total disregard for the rights and privileges of other nations. Yet this is the slogan of patriotism the world over. If the peoples would stop to consider the principles of Christian charity and brotherly love they would agree better on questions of international interest. Even though patriotism is indispensable to society, the instincts which prompt it are become dangerous forces in the world of today. It seems that patriotism has been so overdone that the world faces economical and moral ruin because of the disagreements and wars which patriotism encourages. This will evidently soon be the case unless there will be mixed in with the slogan of patriotism some such old fashioned doctrine of christian charity as "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

What do we see today in Europe as a result of the great war, which was influenced by the distrust of nations and disregard of Christian charity? France emerged as victor of the greatest war ever fought; she had the most burning of patriotism in the hearts of her people before and during the war, but what has she now? Her distrust of other nations, which governed her actions before and during the war, has been magnified so much that today she slings "mud" and insults at her savior, the United States of America. Is that an example of Christian charity? It is an example of foul play, of baseness and of abject deceitfulness.

In his first letter to the Corinthians in chapter thirteen verse the second, St. Paul says, "If I should have prophesy and should know all mysteries, and all knowledge, that I could remove mountains, and have no charity, I am nothing." And so we may say of a nation that has the most burning of patriotisms, the best of governments, the most fertile of lands, and the most intelligent of people, if the people have not the

principles of Christian charity embedded in their hearts, if they do not practice leniency and affiliation towards their less fortunate foreign brethren, all their wealth and greatness will be as nothing in the sight of God, the supreme judge of nations. St. Paul further says that "Charity thinketh no evil." If the nations of the earth would practice this doctrine of charity, they would not use the inhuman weapons of war on their enemies, such as poison gas. It may be the happiness, of a nation to exact heavy indemnities from a beaten enemy. Is this the right kind of rejoicing? Is this the practice of Christian charity against our brethren? If, instead of asking indemnities, the victor would help to rebuild the country of their fallen foe, the confidence of nations would be restored. The nations of Europe are all but bankrupt, owing to the wild cry of patriotism by the people in their craze for military leadership. Disregarding the financial standpoint one may see also that the distrust of nations has now extended all over the world. One nation advises the others to disarm but refuses to do so itself. This condition is enough to take the last crumbs of bread from a hungry child, namely, Christian charity.

The attitude towards life which has led many people to achieve their end by the forcible imposition of their will upon others, by dictator-

ship, and to reject agreements, has produced in some degree everywhere revolt and rebellion on the one side and repression on the other, or a general disruption or breakdown of the cooperative force by which mankind lives, namely Christian charity. If today the people of a nation achieve political and economical se-

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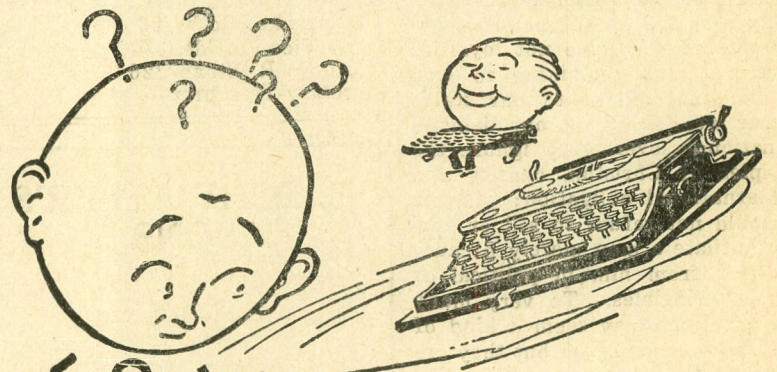
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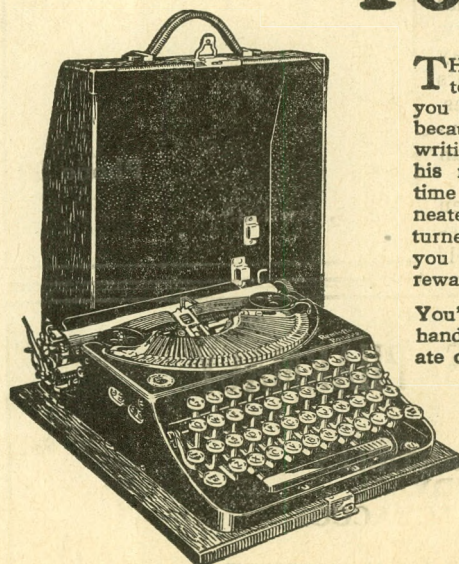
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**PATRIOTISM AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY**  
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curity their zeal for patriotism prompts them to prey upon helpless nations, without regard to Christian charity. The ideas which feed and inflame these passions of rivalry and hostility will be increased, unless the only, true and fundamental principles of peace are followed by mankind, those of Christian charity. Uncharitable nations will be regarded as hypocritical self-seekers before the great tribunal of Justice.

We may well take Christ as a perfect example of charity. He has no need for human beings, he must not create human beings if he does not wish, yet to manifest his great love for mankind he allows them to multiply and prosper. If the nations wish a perfect model of charity they should look at the source of Christian charity, which is Christ Himself.

The moral reformation of the world today will come by questioning and thoroughly considering the morality or the validity, in terms of human well-being, of a principle like that of "My country right or wrong;" by questioning whether a people really gain favor in the sight of God by enlarging the frontiers of their state, at the expense of another: whether the man of the small nation is not in all the great human values, the equal of the man of the great empire in the sight of God: whether the real problems of life are greatly affected by the color of the flag: whether we have not loyalties to other things pertaining to God and man, as well as to our state: whether we do not, in our demand for national sovereignty ignore the principles of Christian charity and of international obligation: whether we should not refuse to kill or horribly mutilate a man merely because we differ from him in political or religious principles. To very many these questions may seem a kind of blasphemy of patriotism but they are uttered in the interests of Christian charity. And yet this question of learning to live together without mutual homicide in observance of Christian charity depends upon the answer to these questions.

The traditions of patriotism, around which have gathered our chief political loyalties and instincts have become in the actual conditions of the world today, an anti-social and disruptive force from the view point of Christian charity. Today each nation proudly proclaims its anti-social slogan of sacred egoisms, and defiant immoralisms, its espousal of country as against Christian charity.

If the devil wishes to tempt men he does not proclaim himself evil before the people but he shows himself

as being innocent. And this is the very danger with patriotism. If the instincts of patriotism were evil they would constitute no real danger. It is the good in them that makes them the instrument of devastation which they accomplish.

If, during the last war an American were asked if there were anything that he would have refused to do, if the refusal had meant the triumph of Germany and the defeat of the United States, what would he have said? In his heart he would have justified any act if the safety of his country had hung upon it. On man is cast the obligation to be intelligent, to choose what is right, and until he will dispense with this craze of superpatriotism, until he will accept the doctrine of Christian charity he will not be entirely following the will of his Maker.

—Paul Wiesner, '27.

**ALUMNI DAY CELEBRATED**

**Large Crowd at Meeting and at the Banquet in the Evening**

On Thursday, June 2, the ninth annual meeting of the Hays Catholic College Alumni Association was held in the College. At the business meeting held at 10 o'clock various important changes were made in the Constitution and the following officers were elected:

- President—George J. Gottschalk, '22
- First Vice-President—Gabriel A. J. Brull, '18
- Second Vice-President—Bernard J. Roth, '26
- Third Vice-President—Isidore R. Staab, '26
- Secretary-Treasurer—

William A. Toepfer, '12-13  
Historian—

Rev. Fr. Florence, O. M. Cap.  
After the business meeting stag luncheon was served in the College Refectory to about sixty members, whereupon all motored out to Gab Brull's farm where a hotly contested ball game was played between the married and single members of the Association. The final score was 1 to 0 in favor of the single members. During the game picnic lunch was served.

The banquet was held in the Civic Club at 7 o'clock. Following is the program at the banquet:

- Selection.....Alumni Quarett
- Address of Welcome.....
- .....Bernard J. Roth, '26
- Vocal Selection.....Ladies' Quarett
- Misses Eleanor Dreiling and Mary Wolf; Mesdames E. J. Ross and E. J. Dreiling. Mrs. G. Gatchet at the piano
- Response.....Francis J. Bollig, '26
- Selection.....O. P. Weigel, '17-'18
- Address.....Bernard J. Brungardt, '22
- Address.....
- Very Rev. Fr. Thomas, O. M. Cap. America ..... Assembly

The Rev. Fr. Florence, O. M. Cap.  
Toastmaster

During the speaking program at the banquet the Rt. Rev. Bishop arrived and also spoke a few forceful words to the Alumni.

Immediately after the banquet all went to the ball room where dancing was the attraction until 11:30 when luncheon was served.

All reported having had a good time.

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**AMONG the FACULTY**

Father Justin, director of the College, was in Walker on business. He has been elected delegate to the Provincial Chapter convening in Pittsburgh, Pa., on July 18, 19, 20.

Father Florence was a very busy man during the last month. He assisted at the dedication of the Catholic Church at Goodland on May 11. On Sunday, May 15, he assisted at the solemn close of the Mission at Antonino and then motored to Collyer where he delivered the baccalaureate sermon for the Collyer High School graduates in the evening. On May 19 he gave the commencement address at the Girls' Catholic High School graduation exercises at the Strand. On Sunday, May 22, he helped out at Sacred Heart Church, Park, Kansas. Ascension Day found him substituting at Sacred Heart Church, Cordia, Kansas. He was toastmaster at the Alumni Banquet on June 2. On June 4, he will leave for the East to attend the Golden Jubilee celebration of St. Fidelis Seminary, Herman, Pa., on June 8, and while in the East will visit with his mother and sisters at Wheeling, W. Va., for a few weeks.

Father Herbert attended the Silver Jubilee celebration at Gorham, Kansas, on May 18. He will leave on June 4, for Goodland, Kansas, to take charge of that parish for a few weeks.

Father Jordan attended the Commencement at St. Fidelis' High School at Victoria on May 20.

Father Alfred received the Bachelor of Science degree in Music at the K. S. T. C. of Hays on May 19. He substituted at Cordia, Kansas, on Sunday, May 22, and also attended the K. of C. initiation at Spearville, Kansas.

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Father Camillus gave the commencement address at St. Mary's School, Ellis, Kansas, on May 19, and drove to Spearville on Sunday, May 22, to give a lecture on "Catholic Education" at the K. of C. banquet. He also attended the Commencement Exercises at Victoria.

Father Matthew has returned from the hospital and gas giving his classes.

Father Richard visited with his parents at Emmeram, Kansas, Sunday, May 29. After the close of school he will go to Herndon to do some art work for the parish at that place.

Father Mathias assisted at the Solemn Communion Services at St. Francis Church, Munjor, Kansas, on Sunday, May 15. He has been following the baseball team in all its defeats this season.

Mr. V. A. Weigel received the Bachelor's Degree in Commercial Science at the recent graduation exercises of the K. S. T. C. of Hays.

Mr. Lew A. Lane will spend the summer vacation at his home in St. Mary's. He will leave soon after the close of school.

**STUDENTS' FATHER DIES**

On Wednesday, May 18, occurred the death of Mr. Joseph Griese of Walker, Kansas, the father of F. William and Fred W. Griese, students of the College. At the solemn funeral on Saturday, May 21, Fathers Florence and Richard of the faculty assisted.

To the bereaved widow and children the faculty and students extend their sincerest sympathy.

**JUNIOR JOLTS**

Our class comedian was dismissed from Greek class several times in the last few weeks. He says he enjoyed the rest and the prof also enjoyed his absence.

F. Kuhn and A. Bollig, the history sharks, were rehearsing the Battle of Bull Run the other day.

Some of the Greek sheiks said if they had studied the whole year like they're studying now they would receive fairly good grades on their reports.

R. Drees has expressed his desire to learn the art of swimming sometime when the water isn't so wet.

John Grabbe, the fly chaser in baseball, was with us for two days making some of the finals.

Two new members: J. Enslinger and F. Kuhn ere initiated into the Aquatic Club. The present Junior members are: J. Enslinger, F. Kuhn, G. Luetters, C. Schreiber, A. Bollig, A. Ruder and Franky Stroemel. The requirements for membership are: You must keep yourself clean, you must either swim or drown and you cannot loaf in the water.

The Junior class extends its condolences to F. William and Fred Griese, whose father died recently. The class had a Mass read for the repose of Mr. Griese's soul and all the boys received Holy Communion for the same intention.

**A WORTHY CAUSE**

A prominent speaker was lecturing before members of a literary society.

At the end of his address the secretary approached him with a check. This the lecturer politely refused, saying that it might be devoted to some charitable purpose.

"Would you mind," asked the secretary, "if we add it to our special fund?"

"Not at all," said the speaker. "What is the special fund for?"

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## PATRIOTISM AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY

(Second Prize Essay)

The terms, "patriotism" and "Christian Charity" apparently contradict each other. In the eyes of many, Christian Charity can have nothing to do with patriotism. They say, great courage and energy are necessary to serve one's country; religion however, inculcates meekness and resignation; therefore, religion makes men cowardly and weak. But let such narrow-minded people read of the courage and steadfastness of the many martyrs. Was it weakness and cowardice which caused them to sacrifice their lives? On the contrary; the holy standard of the Cross imparts a greater courage than any other standard.

Furthermore, we meet people today who imagine that those who stand high in the political world are the only ones who are patriotic. The ruling class, indeed, should be exemplars of unalloyed patriotism; but how many do we not find the world over who are just the opposite? Look at Mexico; its supposed-to-be rulers are continually rebelling against churches and charitable institutions.

Nor, are those who say: "My Country! Always and ever; whether right or wrong, My Country!" truly patriotic. For if they uphold their country when it is on the path of iniquity, they only hasten it to its doom.

Let us follow a foreign boy who intends to come to America. From across the sea he reads and hears of the liberty in America, the land of "easy money." America is pictured to him as the focus where all the rays of good of Europe unite. Leaving relatives and friends he sets sail for America, to seek his fortune among a strange people, in the land of welcome. In his dreams aboard the ship, he builds castles of happiness and liberty. On drawing close to the American shore, the first thing he beholds is the grand statue of liberty made resplendent by the golden rays of sunshine. Here he has to wait sometimes weeks till he can depart for New York. But once he is released and is in the big Metropolis, he begins his most trying work that of getting employment. Being handicapped by language and perhaps by clothes, employers drive him from their doors with unkind words. At last, when he is almost on the brink of despair, he gets employment; but at what an odd job? Now he sees the truth that lies in the words of the poet: "Alas for the rarity of Christian Charity under the sun." Are not such types of patriotism properly termed "fake patriotism?"

Archbishop Ireland said: "Patriotism is love of country and loyalty to its life and weal, love so tender and strong; tender as the love of son for mother, strong as death; loyalty generous and disinterested, shrinking from no sacrifice, seeking no reward, save country's honor and country's triumph."

Let us make a careful analysis of this definition. Love of country is an instinct which we share with all living things, an attachment to particular places or things, developed largely by habit. It is akin to the habit of life which bird and beast develop toward a particular tree or lair, corner of field or forest. It is, in a word, the home instinct extended to our larger home, which is our

country. It is a sentiment, a feeling exalted by emotion. It is this sentiment of which the poet sings: "Breathes there a man with soul so dead

Who never to himself hath said,  
This is my own, my native land!"

It must be tender as the love a son has for his mother when he beholds the loveliness of her graying locks, of her warped, work-worn fingers, of her wrinkled care-scarred face. But like the unconquerable death which never ceases nor fails in its enterprise, the true patriot must never cease laboring for the cause of true liberty, until he has reached his goal.

Loyalty is manifested more by actions than by words. The patriot must be generous and disinterested: generous in giving time and thought for the welfare of his country, and punctually paying his portion of the taxes. When duty calls him to fight for his country, he should answer the call regardless of the sacrifice it involves. He should not await or seek any reward except the country's honor, and the country's exultation over victory.

Let us turn our attention for a while to Christian charity. St. Paul has painted Christian charity in these glowing colors: "Charity is patient, is kind; charity envieth not, dealeth not perversely,—is not ambitious, seeketh not her own,—thinketh no evil,—rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth with the truth."

Charity in itself means love. The charitable person does not become impatient with his fellow-men. He is kind and friendly to them. Jealousy or envy never reign in his heart. He prays that his fellow-men might prosper. He is not stubborn or obstinate. All his neighbors share in the happiness attained by his labors. No truly charitable person thinks of doing wrong much less taking pleasure in it; but the heart, wherein charity holds sway, rejoices with God whenever a noble deed is wrought.

If we compare patriotism with Christian charity, do we not see a great resemblance in the two? Both are inclined to good, not to evil. The paramount instinct of both is love, the love of country-men. Both labor to help their fellow-men. Nei-

ther toils for his own glory or for the empty praise of the world; but both await the eternal reward of their Heavenly Father.

In explaining anything, it is always made clearer by giving some examples. But you may ask, have we had any patriots who practised Christian charity? Yes! History furnishes splendid examples of patriotism. The countless martyrs who shed their blood are a wonderful testimony that love of God and love of country work hand in hand.

Can we find a more splendid model for imitation than the Maid of Orleans, the patron saint of patriotism? In her soul the love of God and love of country were most intimately united. It is said of her: "She loved France, she suffered for France, she battled for France, she died for France."

In paging through history we shall discover the lustrous portrait of Christ's patriotism. Christ wept over Jerusalem. Here we have the sentiment of true patriotism; it is a sentiment related to action, for between sobs he said: "Jerusalem, Jerusalem,—how often would I have gathered thy children as the hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but thou wouldst not." Christ loved mankind, He suffered for mankind, He died for mankind.

Do we not see how patriotism and Christian charity go hand in hand? The one is worthless without the other. Yes! Christian charity is to patriotism, what the lovely red rose is to the thorny rose bush. Let us resolve to have true patriotism, the patriotism that rests on Christian charity. Although America is made up of many races, and though they

are divided in everything else, yet in patriotism and Christian charity, let them work as one race, so that we can truthfully say:

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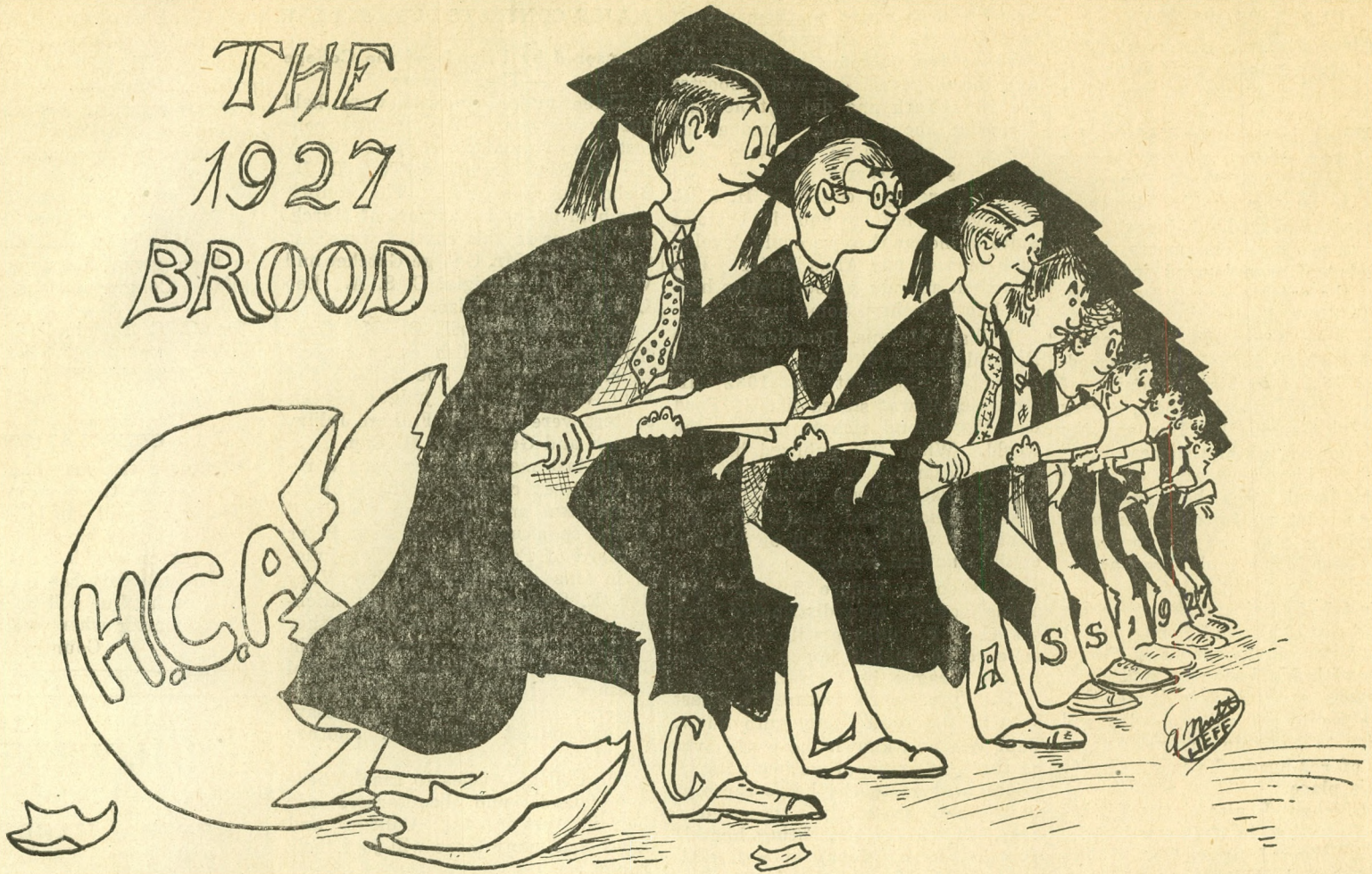
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## CLASS HISTORY

It was on a day in September, of 1923, a beautiful autumnal day, full of hope and joyous promise that the good ship, Hays Catholic College, stood at the wharf of a new school year. A small body of sturdy young men of the plains of Western Kansas were about to set sail over new waters in quest of the Fountain of Perfect Understanding.

We were naturally very enthusiastic and asked many questions concerning our voyage. Our kind captain, Father Eugene, assured us that the sailing would go fine if we would put our minds down to our voyage and study the things that would help make our voyage a success.

There were 28 young men who embarked on this voyage. Several of the boys were tempted to give up Algebra and Latin, but after being coaxed they tried again. Most of them succeeded. Several of the huskies showed their colors in football and basketball.

In debate, oratory, and music many showed their ability in such a manner that would put the ancient Greeks and Romans to shame. At the first stop on our voyage nine of the boys were still so sea-sick that they decided to leave the ship and get employment on one of the islands.

The Sophomore ship sailed on with only 18 met left on board, but three more joined us at our first stop, so our number was increased to 21. As we got farther out to sea, the waters began to get rougher and more difficulties were encountered. The majority of the men became real sea-men. But there were a few who were unable to get used to the sea food. So at the next stop six more deserted the ship and one more enrolled, leaving 16 men to continue on the next year's journey.

In the third, or Junior year, of our voyage our ship changed hands.

Father Justin took possession of the boat and proved himself an able captain. It was this year that we got farther out in the open sea and met rougher waters. Here it was that the crew started out in two different boats, namely: Classical and Commercial. The classical had much rougher waters to cross. When it came to choosing between the boats all chose the Commercial, except two lonely men, who chose the Classical. But after some coaxing of the captain seven entered the classical boat and nine entered the commercial boat.

This year the class made a good showing in athletics and other activities.

The last stretch of the voyage was on us before it was realized. Three more men dropped out one classical and two commercials. Four more were picked up. Three classicals and one commercial. So the last stretch was completed with 17 seniors. This year we furnished the captains and heart of the football, basketball and baseball teams. Two members of the class tied for first place in the oratory contest. To-night we anchored and landed safely. We must bid farewell to our comrades and our ship (Alma Mater).

Benedict Brungardt, (Brungie), '23, '24, '25, '26. H. S. football, '26, '27; Glee Club, '27; Dramatics, '25. Francis William Griese (Bill), '23, '24, '25, '26. Class president, '24; sport editor, '27; dramatics, '24, '25, '27; debating team, '24, '25; football, '26.

William L. Mermis (Bill), '26. Football, '26; class vice-president '26; orchestra, '26; band, '26; dramatics, '26.

Theodore L. Pfannenstiel (Pfanny), '23, '24, '25, '26. Journalism, '26.

Walter C. Ross (Unka Walt), '23, '24, '25, '26. Cheer leader, '27; debating team, '23; Dramatic club, '23, '24, '25, '26. president Newman Club, '26; football, '25; Glee Club, '26; assistant editor of H.

C. C. Journal, '26. Joseph C. Schenk (Jeff), '23, '24, '25, '26, '27. Debating team, '23; orchestra, '23, '24, '25; band, '24, '25; dramatics, '23, '24, '25, '26; cheer leader, '24-'27; class historian, '26; class treasurer, '24; class vice-president, '26, '27; class president, '26, '27; class reporter, '26, '27; Newman Club historian, '26, '27; editor H. C. C. Journal, '27; essay prize, '27.

Isidore I. Schmidt (Izzy). Dramatic Club, '26; baseball, '26; basketball, '26.

Paul A. Wiesner (Paul). Orchestra, '24; Dramatic Club, '26, '27; essay prize, '27; Alumni editor, '27; basketball, '27.

Francis Desch (Deschie). Baseball, '26, '27.

Nicholas Leiker (Nickie). Band '25, '26, '27; orchestra, '25, '26, '27; dramatics, '25; class reporter, '27; Glee Club, '27; basketball, '26, '27.

Bernard Mauler (Ben). Dramatics, '24, '25; secretary Newman Club, '27; assistant editor Journal, '27.

Damian Reidel (Damian). Class historian, '24; H. C. A. Journal Circulation manager, '27; dramatics, '27.

Simon Schoendaller (Red). Football, '27; dramatics, '27.

Edmund Staab (Eddie). Band, '25, '26, '27; orchestra, '25, '26, '27; Glee Club, '27.

Francis F. Staab (Stabbie). Class vice-president, '24; class president, '25; class reporter, '26; H. S. football, '26, '27; H. S. football captain, '27; basketball, '27; band, '25, '26, '27; orchestra, '24, '25, '26, '27; dramatics, '25, '26, '27; Glee Club, '27; Journal circulation manager, '27; vice-president Newman Club, '27; debating team, '24.

Benjamin Werth (Ben). Football, '26, '27; basketball, '26, '27; baseball, '26, '27; baseball captain, '27; dramatics, '26.

Augustine A. Werth (Gus). Football, '25, '26, '27; basketball, '26, '27; basketball captain, '27; baseball, '26.

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**CLASS PROPHECY**

I, Class Prophet of the Class of 1927, hereby publish my prophecies regarding the future of my classmates.

As I look into the land of the future, I can discern moving among the dim shadows of the famous people yet to be, the familiar shapes of those fair and radiant beings who were once my classmates, now changed and transformed into citizens of the outside world, from president to ditch digger.

Our once honorable class president, Joseph C. Schenk has succeeded Bud Fisher in his cartooning of Mutt and Jeff. Joe had been a very successful man in that line and the class often wished him success.

Next to him in English class sat Francis Desch, who had ambitions to be an aviator. I see him showing Lindbergh a stunt or two by making his own plane and flying across the Pacific Ocean on hot air.

On a trip to Chicago the other day I found my old friend Simon (Red) Schoendaller on the corner of Forty-fourth with his headgear and football shoes on. Red told me that Grange would get old some day and in order to keep up the good reputation of red-heads, he is waiting to take his place.

In Chicago I also learned that Eddie Staab was in Hollywood, California. When I arrived at Hollywood I found Eddie playing barnyard golf with John Hines.

Ben Mauler was elected principal of Notre Dame at the official meeting last Monday, June 22, 1928. Benny's ambitions were to boss some body someday. He never got his name in the paper but now he not only gets his name but also his picture in it.

Nicky Leiker told me when I met him that as soon as janitors run the schools he'll become the janitor of some grade school and play with the "Syncopating Jews" during his free time.

We had one boy in our class who started his road in life right. The motto he followed reads: "Start at the bottom of the ladder and go up." Well, Damian was employed by the Citizens State Bank as janitor and by the time he worked himself up far enough to lay hands on the money, someone beat him to it. But that didn't discourage Damian. He went right across the street to the Bird Investment Co. and found employment. In a few years you will read above "president" on the private office door, Mr. Damian Riedel.

On visiting the eastern part of the U. S. I found that Theo. Pfannenstiel was the proprietor of the New York Zoological Gardens. I asked him if he ever had an accident and he said: "Yes, we had four of them but they took sick and died."

In the employment of Theo. Pfannenstiel I found Walter Ross. Ross always was a good imitator of animals and the proprietor stated that he needed an entertainer for the wild animals. When I met Ross later in the evening he told me he would have to resign as he had made a contract with Jack White in the movies. Ross made two appearances and the camera broke. Walt had his 1916 Ford along for emergency purposes.

As I was speaking to Doc Herman three years after graduation he related to me some incidents of the world series baseball games. I wasn't

keeping close count on them myself and of course I questioned him in regard to the outcome of the games and the players. Doc was a booster for New York and did not hesitate bragging about them. Among the few good players on the New York team was Ben Werth, catcher. Ben took his pre-legal course at H. C. C. five years before and it bestows quite an honor that we could develop such men at our Alma Mater. Ben was then already a good batter having knocked three home runs.

William Mermis, President of the Federal Reserve Bank made his financial statement in 1932 after which it was stated that H. Ford was the second richest man in the world. When Bill published his financial statement in Latin, the people thought he was transcribing a new language and made him the donations which put Bill on the top of the financial world.

As soon as Isidore Schmidt gets enough of his men distributed over the U. S. Prohibition will be greatly relieved as Isi has joined the Anti-Saloon League in Pfeifer, Kansas.

The "professor's torture" was last seen at the Iowa State Auto Show. Paul Wiesner, known the world over as the best critic of national enterprises, will go to the horse races at Leibenthal, Kan. He received a ham sandwich for presenting himself on the screen (door) at a liberal-hearted lady's residence in Munjor. He has not yet recovered from his illness.

On my round-the-world trip I found Ben Brungardt who had acted as the best man at weddings very frequently, being tied up for life at Gorham, Kansas. Ben will make his home in California where he will substitute for Bull Montana.

Since the controversy as to the one who can take Valentino's place, Bill Griese will make a staggering attempt. Bill is back on the farm at the present because he broke rules at Notre Dame, Yale and Harvard. If his movie career does not win him fame, Bill's going to milk cows and raise chickens. Bill was in town the other day and told a few old time farmers that his rye would make twenty gallons to the acre and that his cows were having calves by the litter rather than one at a time.

Notre Dame's fame is rising with Gus Werth as coach. That's the latest the prophet could foretell regarding the one-time excellent athlete.—Class Prophet.

Since no prophet is profitable in his own case it was decided that someone else try to profit by prophesying the class prophet's future. A profitless prophet was appointed by the "prof."

"I went to Washington and happened to stroll into the Supreme Court and was not a bit surprised to see Francis Staab on a high stool as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court deciding a bootleg case in which Isidore Schmidt of Pfeifer, Kansas was the accused party." (Jeff).

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Rev. Father Cyril, O. M. Cap., sponsored an English essay contest which was won by Joe Schenk and Paul Wiesner. The judges in this contest were the Rev. Fathers Julius, Robert and Gerard, O. M. Cap.

The last major contest was a religious essay contest on the subject: "Patriotism and Christian Charity." It was sponsored by the Rev. Peter Burkard of Park, Kansas. The judges in this contest were: The Very Rev. R. Stollenwerk, the Rev. Michael P. Dreiling, and the Rev. Father Cletus, O. M. Cap. First place in this contest was awarded to Paul Wiesner and second place to Joseph Unger. The prize-winning essays of this contest appear on another page.

The College wishes to thank these kind friends and benefactors for their interest in the College and hopes that many more will join their ranks.

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Wedding bells are ringing. On May 30, in St. Francis Church, Munjor, Kansas, Mr. Peter Schumaker, '25, was married to Miss Bertha Gabel and on May 31, in St. Joseph's Church, Hays, Mr. Casper A. Burgardt, '23, was united in marriage to Miss Henrietta Giebler. The Journal voices the sentiments of the Alumni Association in wishing both these couples a long and joyful married life.

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the coming marriage of Mr. Ignatius J. Rupp, '16, to Miss Mary Wolf. The wedding will take place some time in June. Since this is the last issue of the Journal for this school year it hastens to wish them a long, peaceful and happy married life.

Paulinus E. Dreiling, '23, clerk of the District Court, is the proud father of a baby daughter to whom has been given the name of Gloria Aldine. Congratulations.

Dr. G. C. Unrein, '16, has added another name to the list of future alumni. Francis Alfred is the youngest's name. Congratulations!

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