

Administration

● Fr. Carda Homecomes Gives Impressions on Travel

Upon his arrival from a three-week vacation in Baguio, healthy-looking Fr. Francis Carda dusted off his office and began a determined effort to clear his desk of pending matters piled up during his absence.

Asked to tell the whole story of his travel, he prefaced his tale with the statement that his "much-needed vacation came rather late." This was so because the greater part of administrative work fell on his shoulders during the European sojourn of Fr. Rector, he explained.

When Fr. Rector returned, Fr. Carda got the green light to start off on an enjoyable vacation in the Pines city. His Baguio stay was quiet and restful for most of the

Library News

● Library Plan Biggest Expansion Program

If the present plans and policies bore by the administration comes to a reality, expectations run high that the time will be when USC would be operating the biggest and most equipped library in the islands. The records show that in the month of August alone, in spite of the high prices of books and the difficulty in importing them, the college library was able to secure a total of 406 volumes of books aside from the various volumes turned over to this university as donations from various civic-spirited friends here and abroad. This number excludes those books sent to the High School Library. Thus the college library is setting a new record of an arrival of fourteen volumes a day.

Liberal Arts

● College Day Fair Successful; Thousands Jam Booth

In what was considered a precedent-setting event of the year, Liberal Arts class organizations successfully worked hand in glove to put up a petit college day fair last September 20, Sunday.

During the big day, the gates of the university were thrown wide open to a big eager throng of people who jammed the booths and joined in the fun and frolic. At 7:00 A.M. the College of Liberal Arts crowd, together with the austere-looking bunch of faculty members and the sleep-fresh choir singers of Fr. Graysy, blew the lid off their scheduled series of activities with a mass at the USC chapel.

After the Mass, the crowd piped out the National Anthem during the flag-raising ceremony. At exactly 8:30 A.M., Rev. Fr. Albert Van Ganswinkel, Rector, walked into the entrance of the fair and cut the traditional ribbon to signify the opening of the booths. Fifteen minutes later, athletic games, including

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time he was kept indoors due to bad weather. In the later part of his vacation, he visited several Manila schools and talked business with Bureau of Private Schools bigwigs.

When queried about his impressions on other schools, he beamed and said: "Each school has its own merits. But San Carlos U. has one distinctive feature. Here, "he pointed out, "a higher degree of camaraderie exists, everybody is a big brother to the other."

In this connection, he felt that every Carolinian has a reason to be proud. If only students make the most of the opportunities and facilities offered here, he pointed out, there would be no cause for anyone to be "sorry."

Turning back to his travel, he decried the existence of "commercialized sports" even among respectable institutions in Manila. At the close of the interview, he affectionately said the line which every dyed-in-the-wool Carolinian knows: "It was a great event when I got my vacation leave. But it was a far more great event to be back in San Carlos University."

In line with its plans of giving the students the best possible service, the USC librarian recently laid down his policy of accepting as assistant librarians only those students who have completed at least fifteen units in library courses. This, according to him, was adopted for purposes of convenience both on the part of the library personnel and on the students as well. He stressed the fact that it is practically hard for one to give a good service "if and when he knows nothing about the needs of others." Hence, he said, the need of well rounded assistant librarians.

Meanwhile, the librarian happily announced the acquisition of a complete set of bookbinding outfit. This project is one of a series of projects contained in a wide range program of expansion. One thing noteworthy about this outfit is the fact that with the exception of the glue and the cloth all the other materials are made locally by San Carlos. It was also announced that the administration is studying plans for the installation of a bigger project, the printing press. With the realization of all these plans, the USC students can look forward to a truly equipped library.

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basketball, bicycle race, and sack race, started drawing crowds. At lunch time, the Liberal Arts students opened their lunch boxes for an awaited bite.

The doors of the booths were again thrown wide open at one o'clock, bringing in a new crowd of spectators. The whole-day affair reeled to an impressive end with a "show-of-talents" program at 5:00 P.M. Under the direction of Miss Lourdes Varela, the "Boor," a one-act comedy, topped off the literary-musical show.

When asked if she considered the fair successful, Philosophy-instructor Mrs. Bernardita B. Valenzuela, pert over-all chairman, shot back and, in a voice which betrayed the sureness of a positive answer, asked: "Was it a success or a flop?"

Committees appointed for the booth were: Pre-Med — Dr. Protasio

Solon and Miss Evangelina Zosa, advisers, Mr. Francisco Japzon, member, Pre-Law — Atty. Catalino Doronio, adviser, Mr. Cristino Abasolo, member; Pre-Nursing and Pre-Dental — Mrs. Remedios Sordo, adviser, Miss Angela Villalor, member; General — Mr. Mariano Vale, Mrs. Ruperta Lumapas, advisers, Mr. Benjamin Carredo, member; Zoology and Chemistry — Mrs. Paulina Pares, Mr. Bienvenido Marapao, advisers, Mrs. Rebecca Galeas, Mr. Gervasio Riconillo, members. Other committees appointed were: Athletic contests — Mr. Anastacio Montes and all vice-presidents of all departments; Decoration and Accommodation — Mr. Higinio Libron; Literary-Musical Program — Mrs. Bernardita B. Valenzuela; Prizes — Miss Leonor Borromeo.

● **Pre-Law Petition Granted**

Campus events took on a happy twist recently when a sealed white envelope bearing the message of the Bureau of Private Schools reconsideration of the science subjects discredited in the new Pre-Law curriculum, was received. The second year Pre-Law students, being affected by the revoked order of the bureau to discredit them of the science subjects they took last year, were thrown into uproarious jubilation.

The big news reportedly ripped the alleged plan of some Pre-Law students to boycott the college day fair in protest for the allegedly passive attitude of the school towards their prayer for reconsideration. The letter of the Bureau of Private Schools containing the nod on the reconsideration plea came close in the wake of assurances given by Liberal Arts Dean, Rev. Fr. Enrique Schoenig. The dean assured that the administration will spare no efforts towards the successful grant of the Pre-Law petition. The recalcitrant Pre-Law reportedly toed the line after receiving Fr. Schoenig's assurance.

Pre-Law student leaders, headed by Prexy Cristino Abasolo, thanked the administration for its successful efforts for the granting of the much-prayed-for petition for reconsideration.

● **Liberal Arts Studies Off On Maribago Spree**

The A.B. class organization pulled the wraps off their biggest semestral affair with a very well-attended excursion to Maribago, Opon last

August 30, Sunday. Ben Carredo, A.B. Class President, temporarily left aside his newspaper beat to head the biggest excursion so far held.

From the time Liberal Arts Dean, Rev. Fr. Schoenig, shouted "hurrah, let's go," up to the time the last sandwich was eaten, the excursionists never had a dull moment all day long. The closely-packed set of activities for the excursionists got off into a noisy start with a hilarious ferry-boat ride to Opon. At 10:00 A.M., the excursionists paid their respects to Opon officials; fifteen minutes later, they took the bus for the white beaches of Maribago. Games and swimming commenced right upon their arrival until lunch time. From one o'clock till three in the afternoon, the excursionists got acquainted with each other. The program ended a few minutes past three o'clock when the tired and worn-out excursionists started on their homeward trek.

Education

● **College of Education Celebrates Fifteenth Anniversary**

Fifteen years ago, the San Carlos fathers had a dream. The dream envisaged a big College of Education. This dream is now concretely materialized. Last August 16, 1953, the college commemorated its fifteenth anniversary.

The one-day celebration started with a mass for faculty members, alumni, and students at the U.S.C. chapel. At 11:30 A.M. USC registered their names at the school lobby. This was followed by a banquet at the U.S.C. library hall. After dinner, Asst. Dean Alfredo Ordonia cited the most distinguished alumni of the College of Education.

In the afternoon of that same day, a literary-musical program was presented by Education students. Opening the program was an overture, "Call of Baghdad" played by the U. S. C. symphony orchestra under the baton of Rev. Fr. Joseph Crispy, head of the Music department. Main lecture of the affair was a symposium on Education in which five carefully-selected speakers talked on the different views in the field of education.

The success of the affair was accredited to the efficient supervision of Rev. Fr. Lawrence Bunzel, and



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Mr. Alfredo Ordonia, Dean and assistant dean of the College of Education, respectively.

● **Mrs. Cabase Romps Away with Education Senior Presidency**

The din of pneumatic drills and road reconstruction work in Peloez street was temporarily drowned out by the outburst of applause when Mrs. Priscilla Cabase was seated President of the Education senior class, last September 1, 1953. Other officers elected were Miss Concepcion Jakosalem, vice-president; Miss Victoria Paras, Mr. Mauricio Uy, treasurer; Miss Catalina Villanueva, secretary; and Miss Lydia Moran, PRO. Mr. Alfredo Ordonia advises the class on class matters.

Barely six days after organization, the educational seniors held a get-together party last Sept. 6. The affair was well attended by faculty members of the College of Education all members of the class organization.

The selection of the "simplest girl of the night" and the distribution of prizes to the lucky holders of the winning numbers of the admission tickets highlighted the affair. Miss Lydia Moran, cute Education lass, gave a vocal rendition of "Ang Maya."

The success of the affair was attributed to the well-coordinated efforts of the class officers.

Commerce

● **First USC Fraternity Formed; Rector Gives Nod**

From out of the conference tables of Dean Lolito Gozum of the College of Commerce, the first Greek-lettered fraternity in the U of San Carlos came to being last August 23. Immediately after completing the finishing touches of their organization, the seven charter members, headed by Dean Lolito Gozum and his staff, called on the Very Rev. Fr. Albert van Gansewinkel, Rector, to secure the final stamp of approval on the newly-organized fraternity. Significantly enough, Fr. Rector immediately gave the green light for the seven charter members to roar off into a big start.

The fraternity, after receiving the blessings of the Fr. Rector, was personally christened "Alpha Kappa Alpha" (Men and Leaders) by the University head. Dean Gozum expressed the hope that the fraternity will foster a close thread of brotherhood, and a high level of scholarship, among its select members. The dean underscored the need of well-organized student groups to promote leadership, and to harness the hidden talents of students. The college plans to organize similar student organizations among the lower classes.

The traditional stink of initiation was much evident in the campus last August 23 to 29. The seven charter members, namely, Alfredo Vega, Alfredo de Jesus, Benjamin Arriola, George Guy, Juan Ferrer, Jerome Lim, and Antonino D. Tancinco underwent a solid week series of initiation rites unsurpassed in point of recklessness and originality. Yet, beneath all the heedless hilarity and limitless madness, the four aims of the Alpha Kappa Alpha shine out in bold relief. The aims are: a) to develop goodwill and the spirit of brotherhood; b) to develop leadership; c) to mold character; e) to promote scholarship.

Following the final rites on August 29, 1953, a luncheon was partaken by the charter members together with Rev. William Cremers, SVD, Regent of the College of Commerce, and Dean Gozum. Meanwhile, it was learned that the fraternity will expand its membership with scholarship as a basis.

● **Jaycees Off on A Good Start, Report**

Disproving the age-old dictum that "pre-election promises are only made to be broken," the USC Junior Chamber of Commerce, spearheaded by action-minded Jaycee President Alfredo C. Vega, kicked off a good start with a highly-successful party in honor of the New C.P.A.'s who hurdled the last board examination, and an impressive induction ceremony for the Jaycee and class officers of 1953-54.

The affair set a 100% attendance record by all commerce and secretarial students, sources revealed. The party was easily the choice for the main social event of the first half of the semester, it was learned.

Between sandwiches and ice cream cups, commerce faculty members, in an spirit of camaraderie, laughed and dined with their students. The new C.P.A.'s, namely, Bienvenido Teves, Gabriel Balmori, Rosario T. Rodil, Laura Castillo, Vicente Cabanlit, Vicente Chiong, Luciano Atillo, and Baltazar Calumba, were the recipients of countless accolades from professors and students alike.

The executive committee charged with the over-all supervision of minor committees, was composed of the following: Mr. Alfredo C. Vega, Chairman; Mr. Antonino D. Tancinco, co-chairman; Lim Suy An; Antonio Alvarez, Juan Ferrer, and Isaac Villcas, members. The chairmen of the other minor committees were: Finance — Miss Febes Tan, Miss Lopez; Refreshments — Miss Felisa Lopez; Decorations — Mr. Lim Suy An, Mr. George Guy; Program and Invitation — Mr. George Guy, Miss Fe Hirang; Music and Transportation — Mr. Juan Ferrer, Mr. Alfredo de Jesus; ladies — Miss Mercedesita Borromeo, Miss Angelita Mausias.

● **List Jaycee Resolutions Recently Passed**

Jaycee officers, freshly inducted, buckled down to brassacks when three highly-important resolutions passed the ICC legislative mills. President Alfredo Vega of the Jaycees revealed.

In a gesture of loyalty to the Filipino flag, the Junior Chamber of Commerce formally requested the USC administration to take a hand in requesting the ROTC unit in charge of the flag ceremony to at least use a whistle to call the attention of everybody in the campus

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part of college life for well rounded personality. He then writes about his visits with relatives to fulfill the duty of the ambassador of good-will from the province. Now the heart of the economic coordinator of course is touched over his son's thoughtfulness. The next paragraph narrates how a group of big names in the campus approached him for their fraternity. What a rare honor it should have been but he turned that down politely. Membership is very expensive, Papa... and I would not think of abusing your generosity. It is more than enough that I'm here. Is that not the noble gesture of his son's good intentions?

Thus the first letter ends... thus the weak heart of the coordinator is done for. Absence makes the heart grow fonder, and how! So the answer of the father to the son is a go signal for the membership in the frat. Boy-oh, boy! I could hear him sing in his bathroom.

Now, the second letter begins. No money-matter is mentioned, at least to avoid any cynic impression on the part of those left home that he only writes when he asks for money. Very wise indeed. He burned the midnight candle because that cruel professor of his who simply gives him the nervous break-down was going to give them a long quiz. However, he survived with only cross-eyes, and

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blows descend on the hapless heads of the workers. But none of them had been as incredible, as stunning, as this one. At first most people assumed that it was too drastic an edict to be enforced. But we soon understood that Stalin was in earnest. Twenty minutes was the margin between the limited slavery of 'free' workers and the total slavery of forced-labor contingents." (I Chose Freedom, p. 313.)

while the Filipino flag goes up or down daily."

Another resolution of the Jaycees provided for the weekly publication of "The Commerce Newsheet," a two-page paper to report on the current happenings in the College of Commerce.