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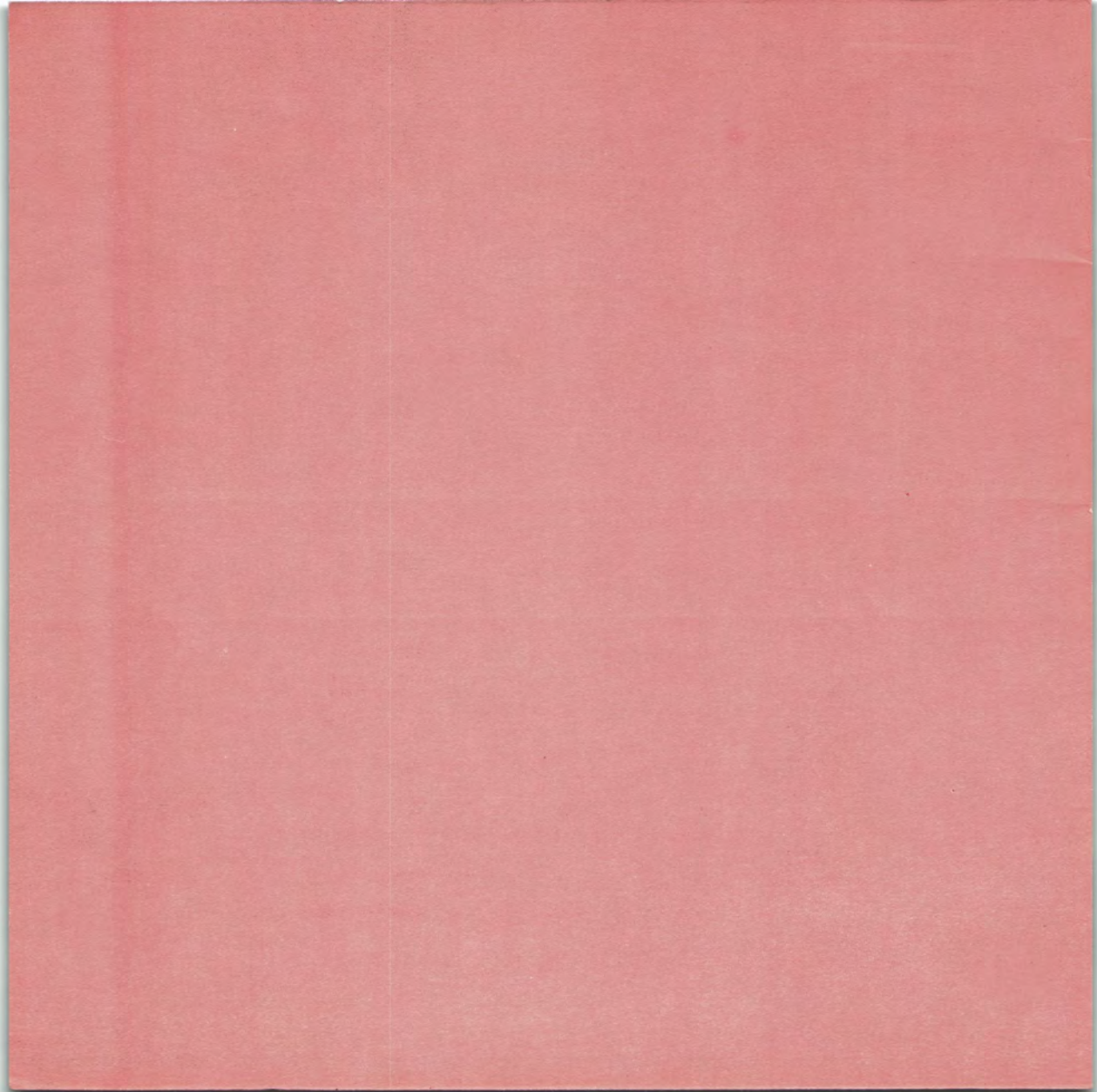
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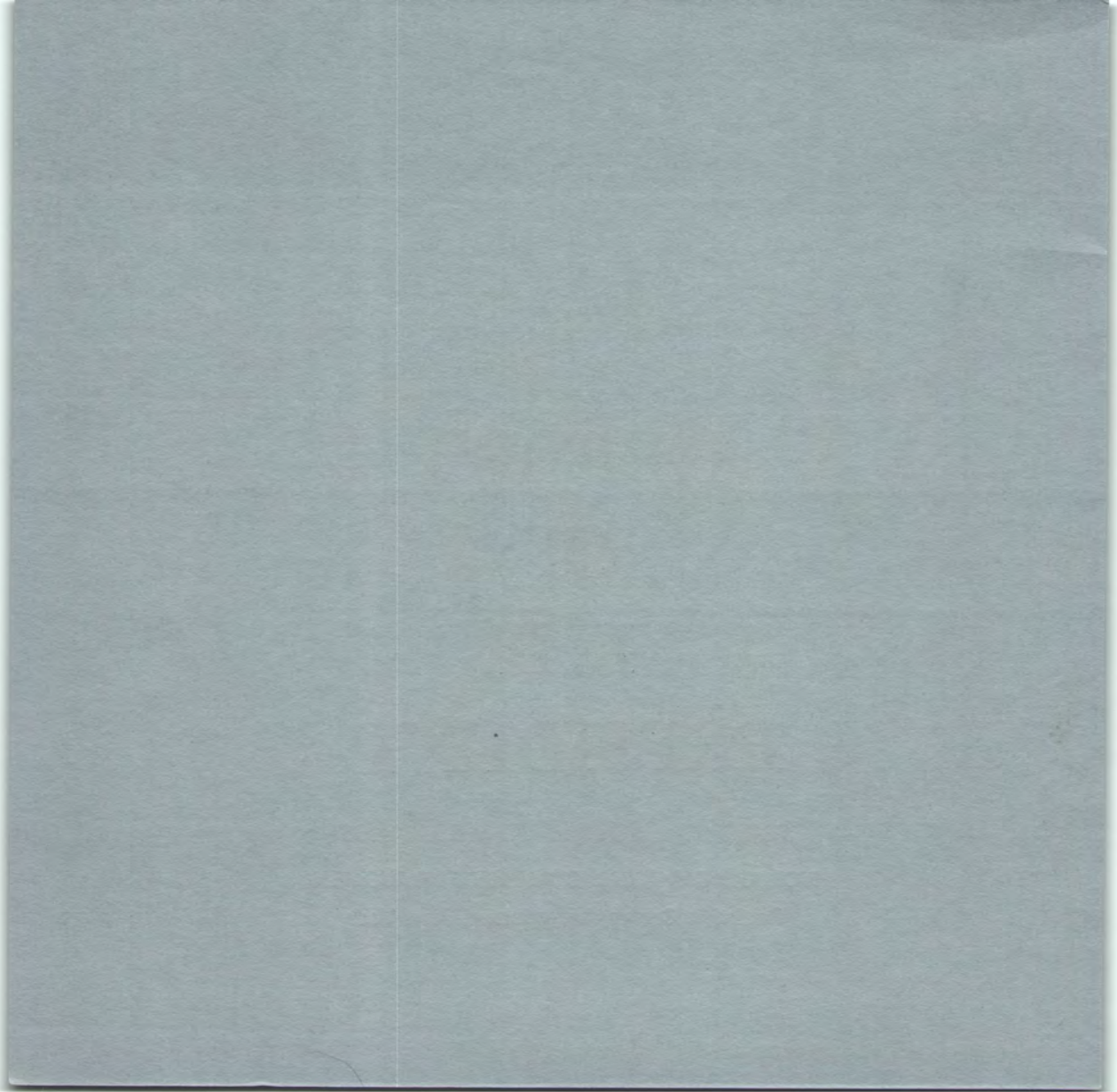
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REPORT
OF
THE
PRESIDENT

FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 1964-1965
MOLLOY CATHOLIC COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
Rockville Centre, Long Island, New York





INTRODUCTION

MOLLOY Catholic College for Women, like all other Catholic liberal arts colleges, is concerned in the maximum development of the intellectual powers of the student so that she can exercise her highest functions of rational thought and discrimination. This includes understandings of her heritage on which she stands, her place in this world, her relationship to God and her fellowmen and her very reason for being. Molloy College aims to achieve these ends through its ceaseless, goading quest for quality. This quest for quality must be evident in every program, in professional faculty growth, in techniques and tools of teaching, and in choice of students. □ Like other colleges, Molloy College shares a concern for excellence—excellence of faculty, students and facilities. Excellence to Molloy means commitment, her apostolate. As an objective test of her place in excellence, the college opened its doors to the Middle States Evaluating Team under the capable chairmanship of President Raymond S. Hauptert, a member of the Commission. A very fine team of nine visited the college from February 23 to 26, 1965. The Report of the team was submitted to the Commission in early June for action. The decision of the Commission was received on June 25, 1965 in a letter from Dean Albert Meder, Chairman.

At the present time, Molloy College has the status of "Candidate for Accreditation" which in the bulletin of the Commission dated, August 1, 1965 states: "A candidate for accreditation affords evidence that in the Commission's judgment an institution is so organized, managed and supported, and appears to be so developing and staffing its program that normal progress toward accreditation seems likely." This status places Molloy College in a position to seek federal and state funds when and where they are available. Confirmation of this was received from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare on September 17, 1965. Administration, faculty and students will move forward steadily during the coming year to make the institution a strong college concerned with attaining excellence in its fullest sense.

ACADEMIC GROWTH

The office of director of Admissions was created in September 1964 when the Admissions Office was separated from the Registrar's Office. Sister Maryaline was named director of admissions and Sister Jean Gregory as Registrar. All admissions were processed through this office. A recruitment program was initiated which gained admittance to twenty public high schools and guidance offices, in Nassau and Suffolk Counties. This phase of recruitment, college nights, interviews and tours of the college throughout the year augured well for Molloy's future registration. □ The total student enrollment in September 1964 in the day session was 319 as compared with 302 in 1963. In February 1965, there were 309 students. The difference of ten students resulted from the withdrawal of nineteen students in January 1965 and the transfer into Molloy of nine students. Reasons for withdrawals were inability to cope with the work, plans to marry and a desire for work for financial reasons. In the Part-time session there were 376 students in the Fall semester and 277 in the Spring semester. The Amityville Extension had a register of 98 students. □ The number of freshmen admitted in 1964 was 100 as compared with 89 in 1963. Seventy-six freshmen represented seventeen Catholic high schools and twenty-four represented twenty public

high schools from fifty-three towns representing Nassau, Suffolk and Queens Counties. Of the 219 applicants, 123 were accepted and 100 enrolled. □ Open House for juniors of high schools was held on February 24, sponsored by the Admissions Office and the Molloy Student Association. One hundred sixty-eight juniors attended. In conjunction with the recruitment program for the reactivation of the nursing program an Open House was held on May 10 for students interested. □ Eight courses were conducted during the summer session of 1964 in which one hundred thirty-five were registered.

DEGREES AWARDED

At the Seventh Annual Commencement on June 8, 1965, eighty-one seniors were awarded degrees. This was the largest graduation class in the history of Molloy College. Forty-one seniors received Bachelor of Arts degrees and forty, Bachelor of Science degrees—one in biology, one in chemistry and thirty-eight in Elementary Education. Three graduates were hooded by their sisters, former graduates of the college. One graduate, Nuala Crowcock received her degree Summa Cum Laude and was awarded the highest honor for maintaining a 3.7 or higher index. This merited the Anselma Award which was given to only one other graduate previously. Seven received their degrees cum laude. Eight graduates were received into Kappa Gamma Pi, the National Scholastic and Activity Honor Program and six others were admitted into the Molloy College Honor Society, Omicron Alpha Zeta. □ Eleven scholarships and assistantships were awarded to seven graduates. One student received a Regents College Teaching Fellowship and another an alternate College Teaching Fellowship. One graduate distinguished herself by winning four assistantships in mathematics to Fordham, Marquette, Miami and St. John's Universities. She accepted the latter. Two members of the Class of 1966 earned NDEA Language Institute memberships at Iona during

the summer of 1965. □ About 25% of the class plans to continue graduate study in the coming year and 50% of the group will enter teaching positions in the public schools of the Counties. The remaining 25% are represented in Extension Lay Volunteer Work, Civil Service, personnel assistant, laboratory technicians, domestic responsibilities and religious life. □ On Commencement Day, Dr. Arthur Brown, President of Adelphi University gave the address to the graduates, and Mrs. Mary Hayes was honored as the "Woman of the Year" for her outstanding work in Catholic Education in the diocese.

CURRICULUM

The College offered seventy-two courses during the Fall 1964 semester and eighty during the Spring semester. These were taught by twenty-two full-time professors and twenty-five part-time instructors. Ten courses were offered in the Part-time session and eight in the Amityville Extension in which one Molloy College faculty member was shared. □ Elementary Russian, History of the Far East and Comparative Economic Systems were new courses offered during 1964-65. □ Changes in course offerings were approved for introduction into the 1965-1966 catalog in the following departments: art, theology, history, speech, education and English. □ At the request of the Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, a minor in sociology to provide a basic knowledge in the field of social work for students interested, will be introduced during the 1965-1966 academic year. On the strong recommendation of the Middle States Association, a minor in psychology will also be offered. □ Three important topics were discussed and voted on during the 1964-1965 academic year. These were student cuts, grading practices and required credits for graduation. Administration and faculty voted favorably for a revision in cuts, allowing double the number of cuts for juniors and seniors in relation to credits per course, and unlimited cuts

to students on the Dean's List. The plus system of grading will be replaced by the simple A to F in the 1965-1966 scholastic year. It was agreed to reduce the required credits for graduation from 132 to 128. □ On January 5, 1965, the State Department of Education approved the reactivation of the nursing division. Recruitment began immediately for thirty qualified students, the maximum planned for admission into the freshman class each year. By May 1965, twenty-nine qualified students were registered for the program. In early February, a meeting was held with the National League of Nursing for approval of the program which was accepted with commendation and enthusiasm. □ On February 19, a meeting was called with representatives of the college and Mercy Hospital to discuss the continued affiliation with the hospital and to renew and revise the contract between the two institutions. □ Funds received from private sources to give the financial backing needed for the Nursing Program amounted as of June 1965 to \$27,921.02 of which \$22,021.02 was deposited in the banks; \$3,000 was given as stock and \$2,900 remained in pledges. \$5,000 was awarded by the Academy of Medicine in support of the Nursing Education. The goal set for the year had been successfully reached.

THE FACULTY

The faculty during 1964-1965 comprised fifty-five members, eight of whom were in Administration and the remaining forty-seven in instruction. □ In September 1964, Sister Francis Maureen, Ph.D., former Chairman of the Education Department, was named Academic Dean to replace Sister Teresa Margaret who had resigned because of ill-health. Sister Teresa Margaret returned to the Social Sciences Department. □ New appointments to the faculty were Reverend Bernard Keitz, O.P. as Chairman of the Theology Department with the rank of Assistant Professor. Father Keitz is also college chaplain. He inaugurated full participation at a daily noonday Mass for the students, implementing new liturgical reforms to make the college a worshipping community. Sister Marie Albertina, Ph.D. returned to the college as Assistant Professor in French; Sister Mediatrix, candidate for doctorate in Asiatic Studies, as Instructor in History; Sister Reparatrice, candidate for doctorate in education, as Instructor in Education; Sister James Michael, candidate for M.S. in biology, as Instructor in Biology and Miss Suzanne Sughrue, candidate for doctorate in philosophy, joined the philosophy department as a part-time instructor. Madame Marie Von Boross joined the faculty as part-time instructor in Russian. □ Because of length of service, acquisition

of higher degrees and promotion qualifications, the following faculty members were raised in academic rank: Sister Mary Jareth, Ph.D. from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor in Biology; Sister Francis Dominici, M.S. from Instructor in Mathematics to Assistant Professor in Mathematics; Sister Rose Teresa, candidate for doctorate in Spanish, from Instructor to Assistant Professor; Mr. John Clancy, candidate for doctorate in history, to Assistant Professor in History; Miss Mildred Currie, M.A. from lecturer in education and Modern Languages to Instructor in Spanish.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

During 1964-1965, two members of the faculty were absent on leave. Sister Natalie Marie attended Notre Dame University, Indiana to pursue her Master's Degree in Philosophy. She was awarded her M.A. in May 1965 and returned to campus. □ Mr. Arpad Darazs, Glee Club Director, attended Columbia University as a candidate for a doctorate in music.

FACULTY GROWTH

Whether from the viewpoint as scholars, contributions to their respective fields, through research or as an effective teacher, our faculty has achieved high attainment. How good the college is depends not only on the program of study, but to even a greater extent, on the faculty that gives life, meaning and wholesomeness to the program. □ During 1964-1965 certain members of the faculty have either made significant contributions to their academic field or they were given recognition for their academic achievements. Sister Mary Ann, President of the Catholic Fine Arts Society, was awarded the honor of a one-man art exhibit at Lasell Junior College, Auburndale, Massachusetts. □ Sister Owen Paul was chosen Chairman of the New York Chapter of the National Catholic Theatre Conference. Sister received her Master's Degree from Catholic University in Drama and Theatre in August 1965. □ Mr. Francis Ford, candidate for doctorate at New York University, received the Sam S. Shubert Foundation Playwright Fellowship to encourage playwriting among graduate students. □ Sister Mary Janice, candidate for doctorate in biology, was the recipient of a Regents Graduate Fellowship to continue her doctoral studies at St. John's University. She was also awarded an NSF grant to participate in the summer program of the

History of Philosophy of Science, at St. John's University. □ Sister Mediatrix had her scholarship at St. John's University renewed to continue her studies in the Chinese language in conjunction with her doctoral program in Asiatic studies. □ National Science Foundation grants were received and accepted by Sister Christella to New Mexico State University and by Sister Francis Dominici, to the University of Wisconsin in mathematics; by Sister Helen Therese to Illinois Institute of Technology in research in chemistry; Sister Aemilia to Texas A.M. University in chemistry; Sister Esther Regis accepted an NDEA Institute in Remedial Reading grant at Auburn University, Alabama, and Sister Mary Jareth attended Williams College in Massachusetts for biology. □ Sister Marlene was on the faculty of Sacred Heart Junior College, North Carolina to teach philosophy. Sister Mary Ann joined the faculty of the Art Department at Fordham University during the summer session. □ Several of the faculty members distinguished themselves by giving addresses at various functions. □ Five faculty members pursued their doctoral studies in biology, education, history, economics and Spanish. Four pursued graduate study in art, drama, library science and biology. □ Miss Teresa Christy received a \$6,000 two-year Fellowship for full-time doctoral study at Columbia University. She resigned from the chairmanship of the Nursing Department. Miss Marjorie Stanton was named for this office as of September 1965. □ Because of ill-health, Mrs. Catherine McCann, resigned from her position as Supervisor of Student Teachers. Her resignation was accepted with much regret.

FACULTY SALARIES AND BENEFITS

Salary increases for the full time lay faculty were affected to bring them into the proper rank level according to the revised salary scale. Increments of \$300, \$250 and \$200 will be given according to rank status for the next three years. □ The Teachers Insurance Annuity Plan has been adopted for the full time lay faculty, effective September 1965 on a 10% basis. This is to be shared equally by the college and faculty.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Noteworthy among the events scheduled for the 1964-1965 college year was the commemoration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of Shakespeare's birth. Dr. Bernard Bickerman, Chairman of Speech and Drama at Hofstra University was guest speaker. □ On October 12, a Debate Workshop was conducted by the Molloy Debate Council. About seventy-five college men and women attended. □ At the Annual Honors Convocation on October 14, Anamarie Wallace, Ph.D., Principal of St. Paul, the Apostle School,

New York City was guest speaker. Two students were inducted into the Omicron Alpha Zeta Honor Society and eleven into Alpha Mu Gamma Language Society, a national honor society. □ The second Annual Math-Lecture-Social took place on November 2 with Dr. Carl Boyer of Brooklyn College as guest speaker. His topic was "Four Thousand Years in the Life of a Theorem". □ Mary Ann Pizza, a freshman, won first place trophy in original oratory at the Intercollegiate Speech Festival sponsored by Pace College. □ On November 25, 1964 Intramural One-act plays were presented in Quealy Hall. The purpose was to illustrate the spirit of competition and cooperation among the four classes and to provide an evening of entertainment and insight into the 'ingenuity and creativity of the students'. Mrs. Nina Nelson, Class of 1959; Dr. James Murray and Howard Lord of Adelphi University were the judges who declared the freshman class, winners of the trophy, and Carol Morgan, Class of 1965, the "Best Actress." □ Three off-campus performances were rendered by the Glee Club at Fairfield, St. Francis College and in the Annual Intercollegiate Glee Club Festival at Spellman High School. They also distinguished themselves in three on-campus performances in joint concerts with Providence College, Boston College and Mount Saint Mary's College men. □ T. S. Eliot's **Murder In The Cathedral** was excellently performed by the College Dramatic Club in April, 1965. There is a group of selfless, dedicated young women in Molloy College who give their life and talents to work among the poor. During Easter Week, 1965, four Molloyites joined other college groups in the Appalachia Program; four students worked among the poor in Puerto Rico for six weeks during the summer months, and two others worked in Tuxpan, Mexico for six weeks. One student spent her summer at Lourdes working among the disabled wheelchair patients.

In the evening of November 6 Lilia Skala of **The Lilies Of The Field** fame who had received the Outstanding Actress Award from the Catholic Theatre Conference was guest speaker to an appreciative audience in Quealy Hall □ A series of four lectures on ECUMENISM AND THE LITURGY, ECUMENISM AND THE PROTESTANT CHURCH, ECUMENISM AND THE LAITY and ECUMENISM AND JUDAISM were well received by interested audiences on four different occasions. This first lecture series proved most successful. Speakers were Reverend Robert Mitchell of the Molloy faculty; Reverend Ralph E. Ahlberg of the Congregational Church in Rockville Centre; Dr. William Osborne of St. John's University and Rabbi Max J. Routtenberg of Temple B'nai Sholom in Rockville Centre. □ The college was host to an art exhibit featuring professional artists in which "Twenty-two painters of the Western Hemisphere" were exhibited. This exhibit was made available through the IBM Corporation. □ A "Homecoming" buffet lunch was tendered to the class of 1960 to commemorate their fifth anniversary of graduation from Molloy. □ The first "President's Supper" was tendered to the seniors on Class Night, June 4, 1965. □ The 3M Company of St. Paul, Minnesota awarded a \$2,000 Assistance Grant to education in the form of visual aid equipment.

LIBRARY

Since September 1964 the library staff processed 3,000 volumes. This brought the accessioned and catalogued number to 20,000 as compared with 17,000 in 1963. Periodical subscriptions increased by fifteen to bring that number to 240. One daily paper and three weekly newspapers, as well as microfilm editions of the New York Times and the Brooklyn Tablet were added to the library collections. □ The administration and the Librarian are eager to express their gratitude to Dr. Edward Tobin, a member of the Advisory Board of the college, who has contributed over 3,000 volumes to the library over the past ten years. □ The library budget of \$10,000 was used to purchase books, periodicals, needed equipment and supplies, as well as for binding and repairs. □ The Middle States Association's Team found the library facilities adequate and in good taste, expansion possibilities, excellent book collections non-watered, and card catalogues in excellent order. It was recommended that steady progress be made to achieve the 50,000 volume and the 500 periodical goals. □ The administration increased the 1965-1966 budget by doubling the 1964-1965 amount. The allowance will be \$20,000. Plans also included an additional professional librarian for September 1965.

THE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

In an effort to initiate a Five-Year Projection Plan, Mr. French and Mr. McCambridge of the New York State Education Department were sought as consultants. An initial meeting was held on campus during March 1965 to assist in the projection of student admissions, faculty needs and financial needs between 1965-1970. Consultation will continue in the future as long as is needed. □ A new college signpost, the gift of the Class of '66, was erected on campus.

CONCLUSION

Once again the doors of Molloy Catholic College have been opened to you to give you a fuller view, appreciation and clearer understanding of what the administration and faculty have tried, with the help of God, to meet the challenge of excellence. Steady progress is evident. Yet we understand that there is no justification for complacency. □ To maintain, support, strengthen and advance the true interest of Molloy Catholic College must remain our continuing and fundamental purpose. To provide a sound Christian higher education to the students who come to our college to fit themselves to perform all their responsibilities to themselves, to society and to God is the commitment of the administration and the dedicated faculty. During the ensuing year, we renew our commitment to make Molloy College with the aid of the Holy Spirit and Mary, Our Confidence, the most effective instrument possible for the Catholic higher education of young women.

Respectfully submitted,

Mother M. Celeste, O.P.

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