Sister Angela Wants Women of Conviction

"If we would be worthy of our own university and college, we must be women of conviction."

This was the challenge voiced by Sister Mary Angela, O.S.F., President of Rosary Hill College, at the opening ceremonies of the academic year, September 20.

At the convocation which opened the 1961-62 scholastic year, Sister Angela spoke of the necessity of determining "just where we would be classified in our religious, political and social lives." We need to take an objective stand on the issues of our day. We must determine our position. We must have conviction.

Result of Effort

"Convictions, true convictions, are the result of an honest effort to think critically and to argue an issue, of a careful sifting of facts, of quiet, objective evaluations. Convictions do not spring forth full grown in an emotional moment, they are gradually formed in quiet study, in constant reading, and in sincere searching."

Thus, Sister Angela gave each student a moral and intellectual motive for scholastic endeavor during the coming year. She did not plead for vain crusaders to change the world by a vociferous plea but rather by a quiet, objective effort to learn both sides of an issue, to think critically and to choose in-terpre-tation, of which every student at Rosary Hill is a member, between the liberal and the conservative. The convocation came at a showdown at the National Convention in August.

"This," Sister said, "is a problem that affects you individually and as a student, and you do not remain indifferent. . . . Do we condemn you to mediocrity?" Sister Angela's challenge was designed "to urge you to think critically and to choose intelligently. . . . Study deeply and constantly; analyze, synthesize, and pray so that your convictions may be worthy of you."

The Ascent Policy

The ASCENT adheres to the policy that it has the right and obligation to speak out on any matter it so chooses as long as that matter is governed by the dictates of law and good taste. As a paper the ASCENT acknowledges an obligation to give, within its means, full and interpretative coverage of international, national, local, and campus news. It takes upon itself the duty to be accurate, objective and unbiased in regard to news coverage but enjoys the right to be subjective on the editorial page. The ASCENT believes it has a moral obligation to report all the news that affects Rosary Hill and to comment upon this news according to honest convictions.

Climating a history of perseverance, patience, and determination, the structure on the Rosary Hill campus, Lourdes Hall dormitory, was solemnly dedicated September 30.

Presented by the Most Reverend A. Joseph Burke, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Buffalo, the dedication program included an invocation by the Reverend Edward F. Fish, college chaplain, a benediction and dedication by the Bishop, a speech by the President of the college, Sister Angela.

The procession was led by Lourdes and the recitation of the rosary over the public address system throughout the dormitory, so that those unable to attend the ceremonies could follow them in their rooms.

After the recessional, the visitors were permitted to tour Lourdes and inspect the rooms.

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Dorm Administration

Head Resident in the dormitory is Sister M. Paula, O.S.F. The Assistant Residents are Sister M. DeSales, O.S.F., Sister M. Cletus, O.S.F., Mrs. D. McIvor, and Mrs. B. Bafford.

Sister M. Charlotte, O.S.F., is director of health services.

Barbara A. Nicotera is president of the Resident Council; her vice president is Barbara C. Stoughton; secretary, Diane M. Hamlin; treasurer, Wren.
Although, according to New York's Superintendent, 53,683 children have been housed in tenements, no water, no electricity, no beds, no refrigeration.

The pristine North is not without blemish either, her democracy and equality of classes, books, lounges and laboratories are notacheek. But others were productive, the others being concerned. There were John Mitchell and his family out for a drive in the hills of Montana; Tau Wang Hai, who evaluated Walter Williams, Jackson State College representative to the South Carolina government, during the Fall. Last August 700 students of Jackson State College boycotted classes because of arbitrary action by college president Jacob L. Bedrick. Their protest was prompted by Bedrick's dissolution of the Student Government Association because it had 'a few' political and religious ideas which "embarrassed" the college.

The animals knew for they hid; the birds also for the forests were silent, but the cities darkened and the countrysides churned and "the world became dim" as the sun rose. But, the sun had never realized the impact of his teachings earlier this year by forces from the right urging reform and better representation within the organization.

The student-citizen, a responsible, interested, selfless young adult. By his support of the sit-in movement was Communist infiltration. A liberal, the editor of the popular journal, National Review, who rioted against President Eisenhower. It also voted against the Loyalty Oath and disclaimer affidavit provision in the National Defense Education Act, and it supported the Japanese students who rioted against President Eisenhower. This year the National NSA Congress voted to back the Freedom Riders and condemn the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The Locust Run A Story

The general secretary of the Roman Catholic Church, by Pope John XXIII, Mater et Magistra, (Mother and Teacher), in May action be our reply. M.B.

No man is an island entire of itself. Man mouthes these words, but he is not alone. Over the years the Negro has not been able to live long in a Harlem tenement? Is it liberty to be refused the right to vote in Mississippi? Is it civil rights for the Negro to live in the dust? Is it possible for anyone in the generation which will follow, to understand suffering peoples of the world turning to American youth for hope, should we as William Buckley suggests, be interested in foreign affairs, and today eternity may be very near. N. d'E.
A native of Hungary describes the revolt in this way: “Little Hungary was a David against Goliath (Russia).”

Maria Kalotay, a member of the class of ’62 at Rosary Hill College, gives us this vivid picture. During the revolution, Maria was living in Italy. While teaching in the refugee camp, Maria de Mas, she gained first-hand knowledge of the revolt, particularly through Countess Lissy, who had been in an Hungarian prison with Cardinal Mindszenty.

“Through the Hungarian revolt the world saw how great the perils of Communism are. The movement against Goliath (Russia) is a movement to free the world, in part responsibility for the situation which exists today in Hungary. Free Radio Free Europe constantly urges the people to move against the Communist regime, assuring that they would receive support.

The Annual Cap and Gown Ceremony of Rosary Hill College was held Sunday, October 8th, in St. Benedict’s Church. The blessing of the Caps and Gowns was preceded by a brief sermon, delivered by the Rev. S. Benedict. After the blessing followed.

The freshmen then returned to college campus where the Candlelight Procession took place and the dedication of academic life to the Queen of the Holy Rosary. A reception was held after the ceremony in the Marian Social Room for the freshmen, their parents and faculty members.

Sponsored by the Student Council, the event was directed by Sister M. Paula, dean of students, and Sister M. Cletus, director of freshmen. Kathleen Byron, general chairman, was assisted by Mary Jo Langenstein; invitations; Anne Kegan, program; Maureen O’Connor, ushers; Yvonne Boute, refreshments; Florence Newcomb and Gay Toltt, candlelight procession.

They came — nuns and girls, teachers and learners. They came to hear the man speak. They came to hear the stories of Christian humanism, to the formulation of Christian humanism, to the study of Christian humanism. They came to see the world a better place. The freshmen also have charge of the Carnival official on 5:00 P.M. with a fish fry served by the senior class. Numerous novelty booths will be open to the public at 6:00. All of the proceeds from the carnival go to the Building Fund.

Freshman From Hungary Pleads against Goliath (Russia).”

The entire student body witnessed the first Fall Honors Convocation held in answer to requests of students who felt that those achieving scholastic honors during the second semester should receive public recognition.

Twenty-one Rosary Hill women were awarded gold medals at the October 10th convocation in the auditorium of Sacred Heart Academy.

Those receiving medals for the highest scholastic average in classes were: Lois Ann Grabenstatter, S. 2.8; Helen Sandra Habermehl, 2.8; Alene Sophie Schwarzakowski, 2.8; Patricia Catherine Burns, 2.8; Barbara Ann Casey, 2.8; Jeannine Christine Courcoux, 2.8; Clara Lee Gall, 2.8; and Sharon Ann Jordon, 2.8.

Awards for the highest grades in each field of concentration were given to the following: Women’s Art, Mary Ann Shaffer, 2.3; Biology, Beatrice Crow, 2.3, 2.8, and Clara Lee Gees, 2.3, 2.8, Business, Isabelle Marie Mokan, 2.3, ’62; Chemistry, Barbara Ann Buckowski, 2.3, ’62; Lorraine Mary Wicks, 2.3, ’62; Clara Lee Gall, 2.3, ’64; English, Sandra Patricia Sloyek, 2.3, ’63; Patricia Catherine Burns, 2.3, ’64; French, Mary Catherine Burch, 2.3, ’64; German, Cecilia Maria Harvath, 2.3, ’64; Mathematics, Lois Ann Grabenstatter, 3.0, ’62; Medical Technology, Anne Marie Goliwowski, 3.0, ’62; Philosophy, Teresa Gorman, 2.4, ’62 and Theresa Bernadette Mazarrini, 2.4, ’62; Psychology, Helen M. Medlin, 2.3, ’64; History and Social Science, Maureen Mokan, 2.3, ’64; Sociology, Ellen Sophie Schwarzakowski, 2.5, ’63; Spanish, Lynne J. Kelleher, 2.4, ’62.

Mary Jane Marz, O.S.F., Dean of Studies, stated that this honors convocation was held in answer to requests of students who felt that the achieving scholastic honors during the second semester should receive public recognition.
New Faculty Added to Roster

Thirteen new names have been added to the faculty roster, one teaching Sister was transferred to this campus, and eight new names have come from off-campus summer studies.

The new members in their respective fields are:

Mr. William Block, Physics, B.A., University of Buffalo, New York State University.

Sister Concetta, O.S.F., Assistant in the Register, B.A., Rosary Hill College.

Miss Constance Murray, Director of Public Information, B.A., Marygrove College.

Dr. George W. Foyeaux, Psychology, B.S., Fitchburg Teachers College.

Mr. William Delmar; Historian, Donna Ira, B.A., St. Bonaventure University; Sister Paula, O.S.F., Nurse, did refresher work at St. Louis University.

Sister Mary Margaret, the college dean, did refresher work at the University of Notre Dame.

Mr. Gert Hoppe, German, candidate for Ph.D. at the University of Munster.

Mr. James H. Jacobs, Social Studies, B.A., Fairmont College, University of West Virginia; M.A., Ohio State University of Ottawa; Ph.D. candidate at University of Ottawa.

Mr. John W. King, English, B.A., St. John’s College, Louisville, Ohio, and University of Notre Dame.

Mr. Edward G. Ludwig, Sociology, M.S., Purdue University.

Mrs. Dorothy Finzel, Biology, M.A., Niagara University.

Reverend Joseph J. Schula, Theology, Assistant Pastor at Our Lady Help of Christians, in Cheektowaga.

Sister Terence, O.S.F., English, M.A., St. Bonaventure University.

Mr. Daniel A. Wasik, Education, B.A., Niagara University.

Frauenheim and her escort, David T. Withers, proposed to create interest in foreign countries.

Miss Alice Hayman, B.A., Niagara University, and Mary Ann Schaefer, B.S., University of Buffalo.

Sister M. Finlie, O.S.F., another Sister was transferred to this campus.

Up From Freedom

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Q. What do you think of the sit-ins and Freedom Riders movement?

A. The policeman is under pressure. The White Citizens Council has tremendous power and does not hesitate to use it on public officials. The Negro action in Jackson is not the problem, the police are.

Q. What do you think of the John Birch Society?

A. That what they are doing is aiding the Communist cause. They say the Communists are behind all sit-downs and Freedom Rides and other integration moves and the people are following them.

Q. What do you think of the Communist movement in the U.S.?

A. We have achieved so much, why go backward?

Q. What is going to happen in Jackson, Mississippi, in September?

A. A lot of Negroes will come September. The American Negro wants equality. There will be a lot of action in Jackson.

Q. What is the future for the integration movement?

A. Eventually segregation will be removed and men will be judged not by the color of their skin but by their capability. Students apply by the responsibility to strive for the rights of all mankind.
Perhaps it is a means to get organized and sponsored by a faculty member for a Woodrow Wilson Scholarship. The examination is scheduled for Wednesday, December 2, 1961. Juniors are notified that the examination will be given December 2, 1961. A study session will be held December 2, 1961, for those students interested in taking the examination.

The examination will be given at 2:30 p.m. The first test will be held December 2, 1961. The test will consist of five questions. The test will be graded and the results will be announced on December 3, 1961.

As a result of the examination, all students who have taken the examination will be notified of their results. The results will be used to determine the eligibility of students for the Woodrow Wilson Scholarship.

As of December 20, 1961, the results of the examination will be made available to the students. The results will be posted on the announcement board in the College Union.

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From the Desk of Sister Georgia

So that you may be able to answer inquiries about your college correctly, the following statistics are being made available to you:

**Student statistics as follows:**
- Full-time lay students: 600
- Full-time sister students: 22
- Part-time lay students: 14
- Part-time sister students: 58
- Total part-time: 72
- Sisters at the institutional branch: 48
- Total of Rosary Hill College students: 802

This represents a 9% increase in full-time lay students and a 15% increase in total registration over last year.

Of the group who applied for admission in September, 75% were accepted and 25% were rejected.

**Conflicting Ideas Spur Discussion**

The end of the summer marked an opportunity for vitality for the Rosary Hill girls. They were given the privilege of representing the National Officers of the National Federation of Catholic College Students. The place was Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the date, August 30—September 2, and the girls were Mary Ann Schaefer, senior N.F.C.C.S. delegate; Frances Lo Tempio acting Junior Delegate; Jean Miano, N.F.C.C.S. delegate to the Student Government Press Conference division; Jeanne Finaidis and Ann Reagan, S.A. observers.

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