

First Guild Meeting Hears Book Reviews Given By Librarian

Books Added to Science Section Librarians to Confer Today

Emphasizing the ever forward progress of the Canisius College Library, the Rev. Andrew L. Bouwhuis, S. J., librarian, this week announced the purchase of 150 new books in the field of Chemistry, Physics, and Astronomy to supplement the present books in that section. In addition, over 200 one-act plays were added to the dramatic shelves for the especial use of the Dramatic Association.

There is a new catalogue cabinet with a capacity of 60,000 cards to aid in the re-cataloging work, going on under the direction of Mr. Desmond. Father Bouwhuis was greatly pleased to announce that attendance in the library is at least one-third greater than last year, and that increased shelving in the library proper has made way for an additional 2,000 volumes.

Guild Meets

The first meeting of the Canisius College Library Guild was held last night in the college library, Father Bouwhuis giving reviews of ten books and co-ordinating them with other books in their field. The books reviewed included *Northwest Passage* by Kenneth Roberts, *The Following of Christ* by Gerard Grooté, *In Christ's Own Country* by Dom Ernest Graf, *Life of Jesus* by Francois Mauriac, and *Songs of Wild Birds* by Albert R. Brand, the latter being given with sound effects by means of records of birds in their natural habitat.

Following the reviews, the librarian gave a discussion of the function of the Guild as the means of providing added opportunity for deepening the background of an active Catholic culture, by means of directed reading, lectures, and personal consultations. He also stressed the fact that seniors are urged to come back to continue library work by means of membership in the Guild and thus have the facilities of the library at their disposal.

Librarians to Gather

The Catholic Librarians' Conference of Western New York will hold their first meeting of the year in the College Library tomorrow. The purpose of this meeting will be three-fold: to check the Conference's list of recommended books and to receive suggestions for new titles; to discuss whether or not any formal organization of the conference is desired or needed; and to determine whether or not the policy of the conference should be broadened, perhaps to form a program committee. His Excellency, the Most Reverend John A. Duffy, D. D., Bishop of Buffalo, has expressed his pleasure with the work of the conference and its projects of the compilation of a suitable list of Catholic books.

Librarian Will Speak

Immediately after the conclusion of the Freshman Retreat which he is conducting Father Bouwhuis is leaving for St. Augustine's Academy at Lakewood, Ohio, where he will address the Catholic Librarians of Northern Ohio. The meeting will have as its theme "The Library Conscious School" and the subject of Father Bouwhuis' talk will be "The Ideal Librarian in a Library-Minded School."