



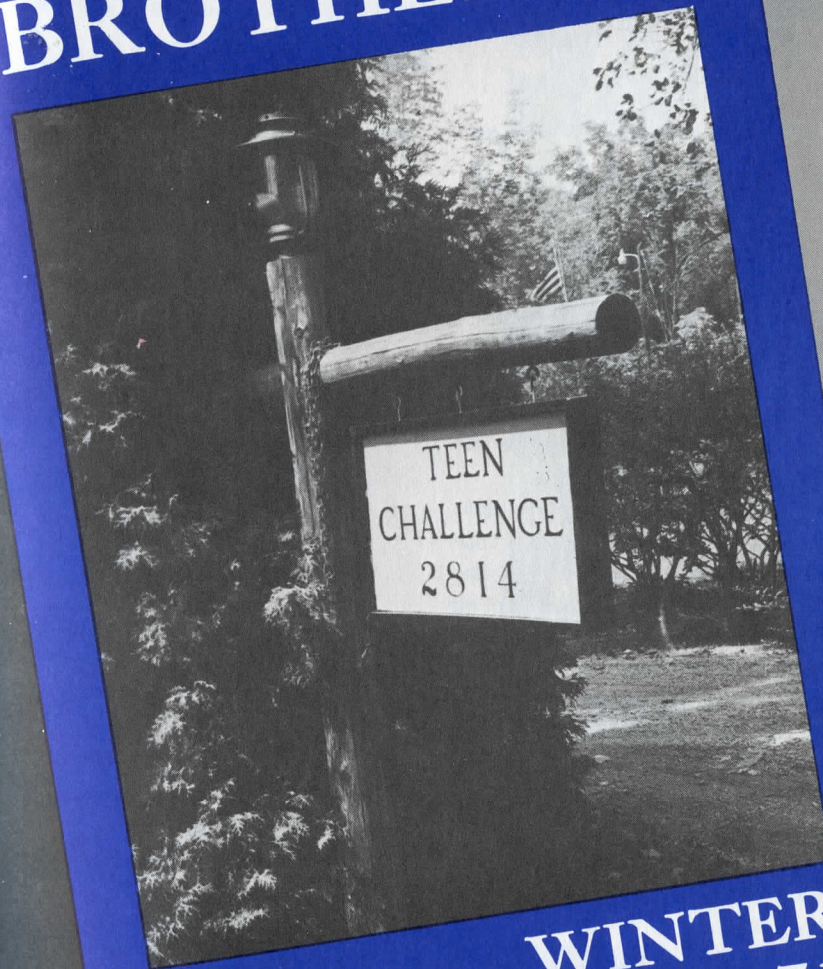
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GETTING INVOLVED

Today there is a growing concern among people for the welfare of others and the betterment of their conditions. The motivation comes from the belief that Christ still lives with us, and He can be seen in our neighbor.

At the present time the horrendous dragon of dope and other drugs is crippling persons and hurting families and society. Instead of the problem nearing a solution, it appears to be increasing with addiction now even among young-er people in the elementary schools.

But the real need is not so much knowing what to do in preventing the sale of illicit drugs, as the willingness of thousands of individual citizens and lay organizations to get involved. If this were done then there would be the beginning of a ray of hope for a better world.

Along with the many personnel employed in public institutions working for

a cure among the afflicted, there are a number of private organizations working in the field as well. Through a spirit of hope in God and faith in themselves and the future, addicts are being helped.

In one of the groups, Teen Challenge, two Brothers of Holy Cross are involved in helping young dope addicts. It is done through counseling, teaching, prayer and presenting religious ideals. The Brothers are encouraged by the confidence and camaraderie of the boys as well as the good results obtained.

Only after the dope habit has been overcome can the young addicts there have some hope to live a joyful and creative life. To help more boys with a similar problem more Brothers and others deeply concerned are needed to share in the work of freeing addicted youth from the clutches of their enslavement.

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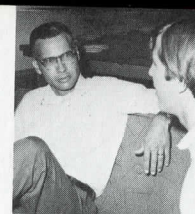
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COVER STORY: Teen Challenge is a residence where everyone shares hope, love and understanding. Teenagers and young men caught in the clutches of the drug habit choose to go there at least for a period of six months. Each young man needs counseling and understanding as well as God's helping hand.

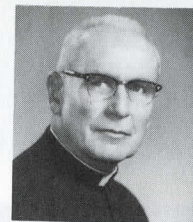
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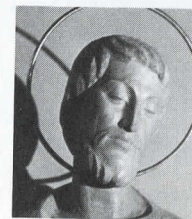
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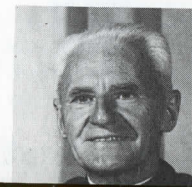
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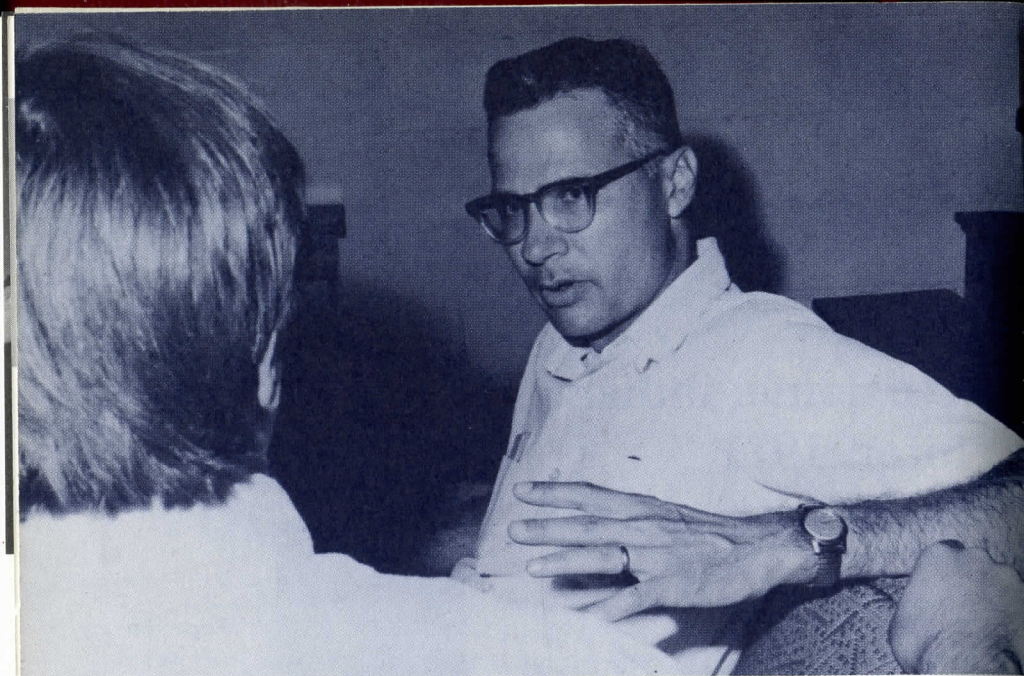
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jail and cried. After a while, however, I was disturbed that I was no longer able to cry, so I would look at the sun to make my eyes water.

"After getting out of jail, jumping probation and being caught, the juvenile court judge gave me the opportunity to enter Teen Challenge."

The foregoing is the testimony of one of the young men who entered the Greater Cleveland Teen Challenge Rehabilitative Drug Abuse Program.

Founded twelve years ago in New York City by Rev. David Wilkerson, an Assemblies of God minister, Teen Challenge has some fifty centers located in

"I was thinking of it this way."



Time for a talk-walk

HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS

"I never knew my father, but my alcoholic mother said he was a slob. I always called my mother by her first name because I could not force myself to call her mother.

"When I was seven years old, upon discovering that my stepfather had several children by a previous marriage and had never gotten a divorce, my mother opened the cooler and began to grab bottles of beer and throw them at me. After one bottle split my head open, she pushed me down the steps and continued throwing the bottles of beer.

"Hearing the commotion, my grandfather came into the kitchen, grabbed my mother by the hair and smashed her head against the wall. I suppose he

would have beat her to death if two other relatives had not stopped him.

"Since that day, any time my mother asked me to come to her, like a whipped dog, I would approach her with my head bowed.

"Having decided to move out West, mother continued to do many things that made me sick. Although I was still quite young, through her prompting, I frequently got drunk with her.

"In my early teens I ran away from her and the men she was dating and began to live with my grandmother. It became a common practice for me to begin drinking and using drugs at 7:00 A.M. and to be stoned by 3:00 P.M.

"When I was first busted for drunkenness, I was very scared and I sat in



"I'm not so certain about that either."



Talking it over

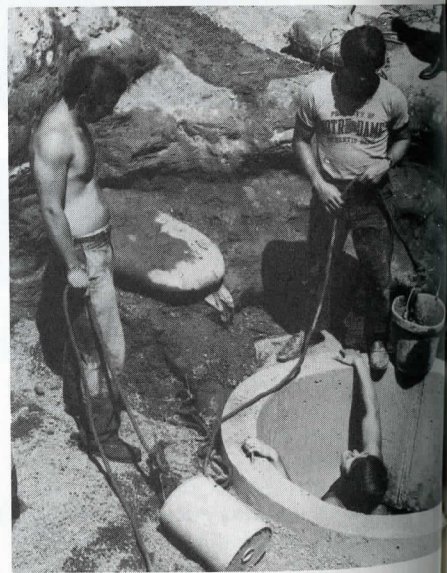
major cities in and outside of the United States.

Three years ago, Dan, a former heroin addict for seventeen years who had been through a Teen Challenge live-in center was invited to St. Edward High School in Lakewood, Ohio, to give his testimony. Although the students entering the assembly hall were quite restless in their anticipation of the approaching summer vacation, Dan, who had been clean for two years, virtually mesmerized each class of some four hundred students during the half hour periods allotted for each assembly.

The students left the assemblies in complete silence and, to the further amazement of their teachers, remained silent during the time preceding the next class period.

Brother Charles Van Winkle, who had made arrangements for Dan to speak at St. Edward, was so impressed that after

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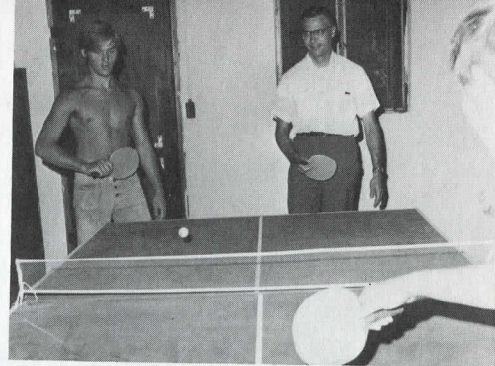


having read of the dramatic founding of Teen Challenge in *The Cross and the Switchblade*—seven million copies sold—determined to see that the Program was established in Greater Cleveland.

Today, Brother Charles is living and working with former addicts at the Greater Cleveland Teen Challenge Training and Growth Center, which has been established on eight acres of land about thirty miles northeast of downtown Cleveland.

As this article is being written, on the Cleveland near West Side, there is also a piece of property which is being renovated to be used as a Teen Challenge coffee house, "cold turkey" and first-phase center, as a place for prayer meetings, and for counseling.

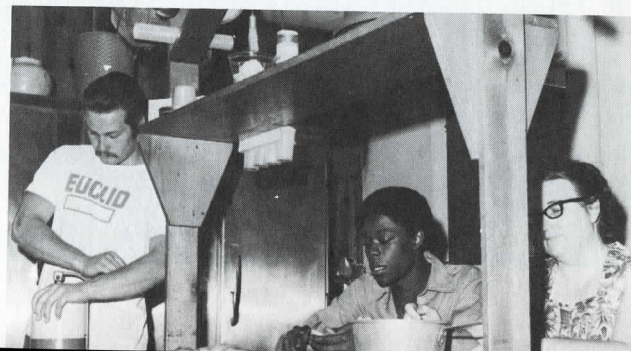
When asked why he is enthusiastic about the Teen Challenge Program, Brother Charles stated: "For twelve years Teen Challenge has experienced unprecedented success in rehabilitating the drug addict because the Program is established on the premise that 'The truth will make you free.' The founder realizes that the abuse of any other creature by a person is only symptom-



Two against one?

atic of the problem of a lack of fulfillment, wholeness, maturity, humanness, personhood, and satisfaction in the person's life; he recognizes that if you abolish the problem you also get rid of the symptoms, but that you do not remove the problem simply by eliminating the symptoms. He also understands why St. Augustine used to pray, 'God, make me good, but not yet.'; that is, one can't expect a person to relinquish the satisfaction he receives from creature abuse without first assuring him he can realize at least comparable satisfaction apart from creature abuse.

Another varied menu!

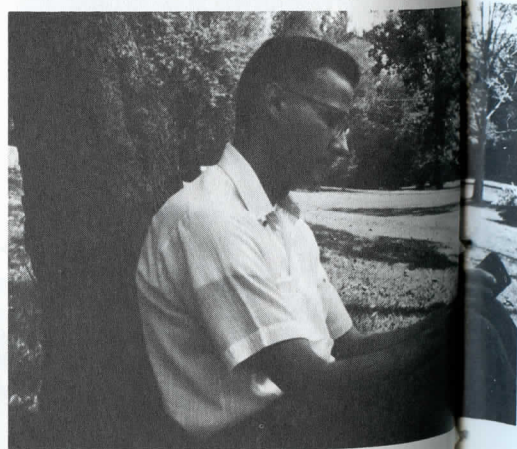




"Bless, O Lord . . ."

"Teen Challenge operates on the obvious truth—too obvious for many people—that since God loves us enough to give us our life and our talents, He certainly loves us enough to show us how to use them purposefully and effectively. In other words, the Teen Challenge philosophy is to teach and preach with undaunted conviction that Jesus Christ truly is the Way, the Truth, and the Life; that Jesus Christ is most assuredly the Divine Physician, the Divine Healer of soul, mind, and body; that Jesus Christ will heal us if we but open the door on which He incessantly knocks and allow Him to enter our lives, to ascend the throne in our lives, and to take over in our lives; that Jesus Christ loves us with an infinite love, more than we can possibly love ourselves; that Jesus Christ will indeed give rest and fulfillment to all those who labor and are burdened, if we will let Him; that Jesus Christ who is

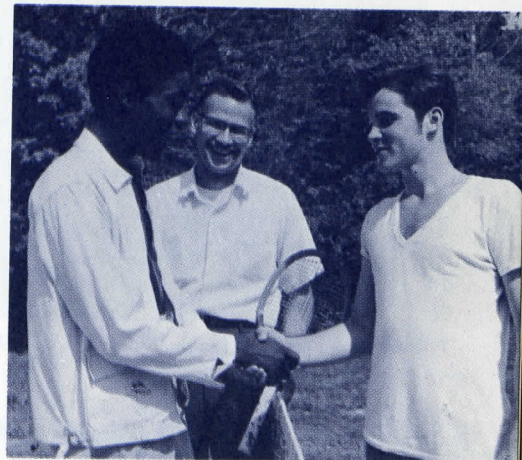
The world is a chapel



Love will, as St. John reminds us, cast out all fear, if we but turn to Him with a living, expectant faith.

"As a Holy Cross Brother of the Midwest Province, Notre Dame, Indiana, I am very grateful that our Province has the openness and the vision to encourage its members to become involved in programs—regardless of church affiliation—dealing with the serious social ills of our day.

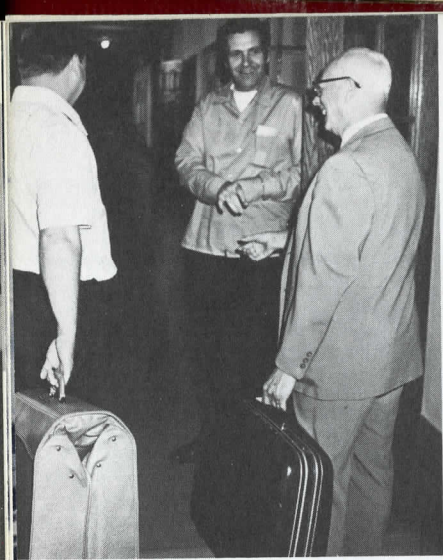
"Finally, after twenty years as a religious, I have never had greater conviction regarding the genuine value and relevancy of life as a Holy Cross Brother. I have been given maximum opportunity, freedom, and support to be true to what I believe to be the promptings of the Spirit relative to the challenge afforded by a world in search of Christ. Praise the Lord!"



Looks like they haven't started yet.

Nobody set to spike it?





"How long did you plan to stay?"



"Brother, I'll take the top bunk."



The offering . . .

ASSOCIATES BIENNIAL CONVENTION

"We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessing."



. . . The reception



The happy people on these pages are members of the Associates of Saint Joseph. There were 45 delegates at the biennial convention held at Le Mans Academy, Rolling Prairie, Indiana.

After the regular business meetings, the members enjoyed themselves with games, square dancing and song.

The Associates help the Brothers through prayer and some projects to raise funds. Anyone interested in becoming a member may do so.



Who said square dancing was not fun?

"Just follow me."



It looks easy enough.



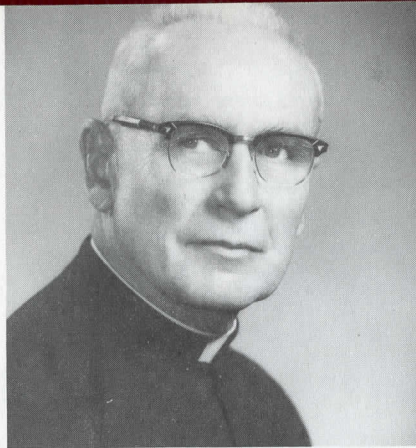
"I'm confused."

"Just a little louder."

And now it's legal.



IN MEMORIAM



Bro. Gerard Fitz, C.S.C.

"Each man is called to a life of love, and some men I call to live that life in celibacy." (Funeral Vespers)

Perhaps the six men didn't realize that they represented thousands. Two of the six were teachers who shared staff assignments at Saint Edward High School in Cleveland, Ohio. Three were Brothers, members of the Congregation of Holy Cross. The sixth, the youngest, had taught for two years in an elementary school.

The six pallbearers at the October 3rd funeral of Brother Gerard Fitz, C.S.C., truly represented thousands. All the people whom Brother Gerard had known and with whom he worked were represented: fellow members of the teaching staff, religious and a former student. An even more expanded representation was present at the wake and funeral liturgy. Along with his relatives, they offered their prayers that the man who had contributed so much toward their peace, might now realize the ultimate, the eternal peace of God.

Brother Gerard served as teacher, administrator and superior through his fifty-one years in Holy Cross. That is what he *did*. What he was is more important. His good example, wise counsel as well as his deep concern for his students and others has left its impact in

the places where he lived and worked.

Ask the six men, or any of the other hundred who were involved in the ceremonies of his burial. Ask the thousands with whom he came in contact. They received his patience, kindness and thoughtfulness. He had a real and positive influence on all of those with whom he worked and lived. He had contact with so many people; he continues to live today through them.

Ask the fifty priests who were his former Latin students. One of them celebrated the funeral Mass. Ask the many married couples who received at their weddings rosaries which Brother had fashioned. Ask the teachers who shared staff assignments with him. (Who could imagine that only two days of illness in his lifetime interfered with a perfect attendance record as a teacher?) Ask the students; one of them flew to South Bend from Cleveland to attend the funeral. They would admit that he was firm and demanding, but always concerned about them. They witnessed his enthusiasm and dedication and a willingness to help them anytime.

Ask the hundreds of religious with whom he lived. They daily saw his perseverance and received his encouragement through words and example. Fidelity to his religious commitment was the rule, not the exception. He lived and breathed Holy Cross and Notre Dame.

Brother Gerard Fitz, C.S.C., received the religious habit as a Brother of Holy Cross on August 15, 1915, feast of the Assumption; he died on October 2, 1971, The Feast of Our Lady—First Saturday. "The Lord watches over the lives of the wholehearted; their inheritance lasts forever. The just shall possess the land, and dwell in it forever." (Psalms 37: 18, 29)



Bro. Reginald Justak, C.S.C.

With several fellow religious, Brother Reginald was walking near Lake Michigan in downtown Chicago on a Sunday afternoon in late August. For him this was a typical recreation. He suffered a heart attack which claimed his life in a few minutes. And it was appropriate that he should die as he had lived. And while his death came as a complete surprise to all of us, it isn't likely that it caught him by surprise.

"Unless the grain of wheat dies . . . it remains alone. But if it dies it brings forth much fruit." Thus death often brings to light many things we thought little about during life. Without making a litany of the many works he did, we can now see it is taking the combined efforts of about half a dozen people to

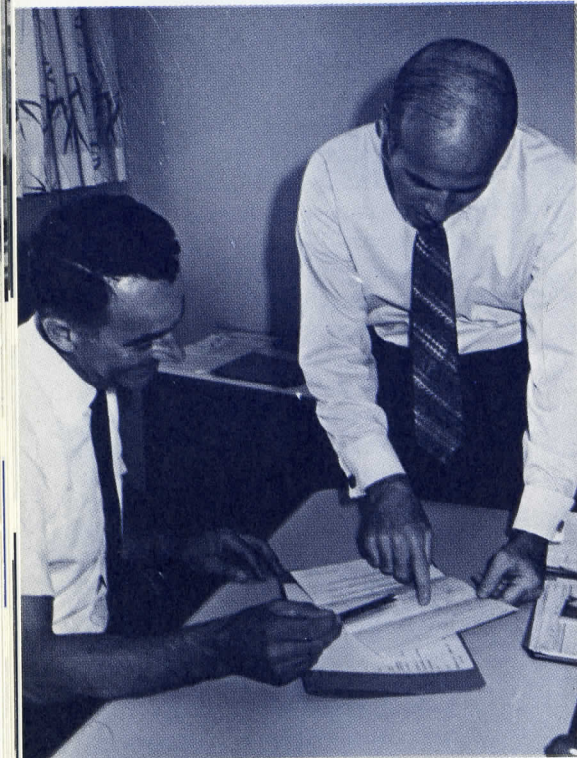
take care of the various responsibilities he assumed. This attests, also, to the variety of his talents.

Yet, writing about Reg is not easy for he was complex in many ways. He seemed to prefer doing a job himself. Hence most of us were unaware of how, when or where he accomplished the many tasks he did. Still, he was very uncomplicated in most things. His tastes in the matters of food and dress were simple. His attitudes were mostly traditional, whether in the area of religion and the religious life, or in his approach to education. He was shy and unemotional in most matters, still he was warm and open if you knew him well.

Of all his qualities, thoughtfulness and service stand out. A simple or casual inquiry, for which you really didn't expect an answer, would bring you a book or several references that covered the matter; a formal request for some information might bring you, in a few minutes, nearly every book in the library that touched on the topic. In a quiet and unassuming way he saw that things were taken care of—and often these were the small but necessary services with which others didn't care to bother.

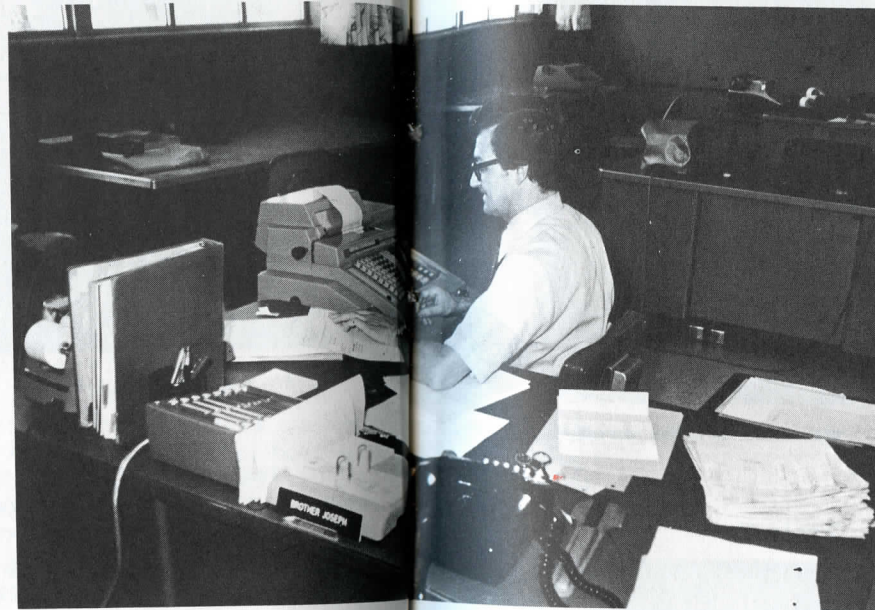
Preparedness was a part of his nature. Whether as principal of a high school, provincial councilor, or moderator of the Associates of Saint Joseph, he had things ready when the time for an activity came. The preparations were made quietly, almost secretly, and usually by himself alone. But they were made. It is true that we were not prepared for his death. But he surely was.

checkers and balancers



The provincial steward and treasurer, Brother Donald Bailer, and his staff handle general business affairs for the Midwest Province from their quarters in the provincial residence, a skip and a jump north of South Bend, Indiana. There, heads pore over accounts, journals, computer tapes and bills, bills, bills from eight to four on weekdays, eight to noon Saturdays.

Members of the staff are Brothers Al-



Working overtime?

"I guess humor can be found in anything."

bert Kern, the assistant treasurer and steward, Thomas Mittendorf and Joseph Fox. The latter, at the front desk in the general office, gets the brunt of the personal or phone callers.

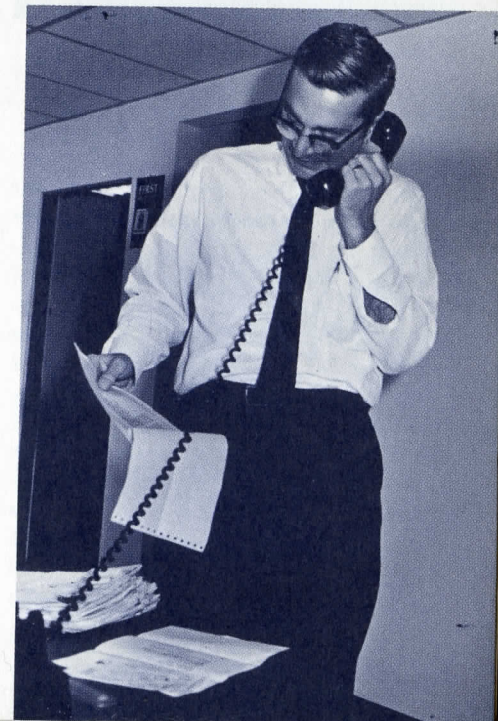
Into the business office flow the salesmen, the insurance agents, the Brothers who handle business affairs in the various schools and houses. As head, Brother Donald oversees keeping of accounts and records and makes visits to

council, of which he is a member, the provincial steward/treasurer is general financial factotum for the province, its holder of the pursestrings.

His assistant, Brother Albert Kern, acts as purchasing agent, handles insurance and annuities for the lay teachers, and keeps an eye on Accounts Receivable. Accounts Payable is the joint responsibility of Brothers Thomas Mittendorf and Joseph Fox, the two men in the outer office where calls or callers most of the

"No, we paid that in October."

province houses to discuss budgets, salaries, compensations and benefits for the lay faculty. The poles of his workaday world have to be income and debts and keeping the province smoothly rotating between. He sees that general and local accounting procedures remain up to par, handles various insurance programs, and looks after province and patrimony investments. In consultation with the provincial and his

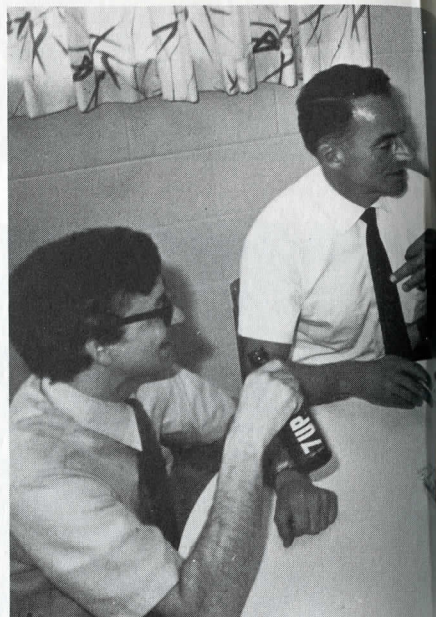




"It must be here in the files."

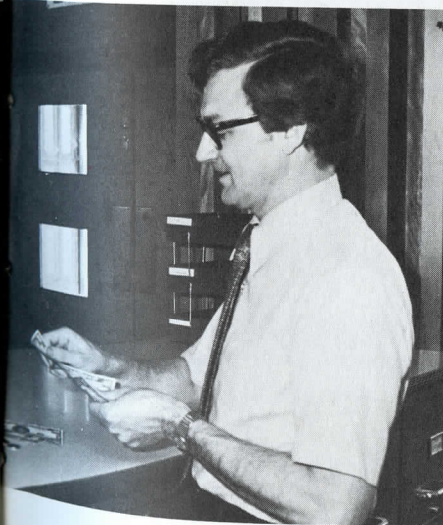
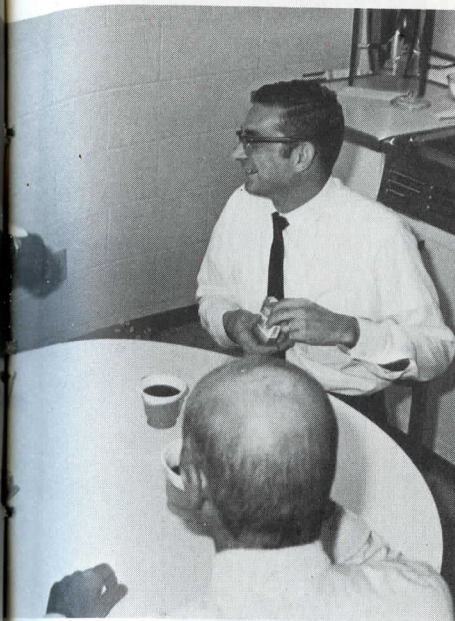
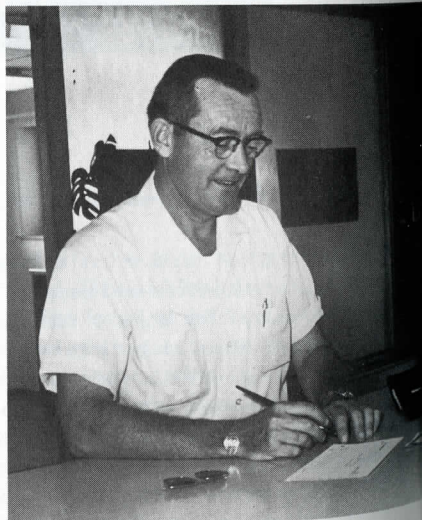
time first arrive. Brother Joseph has charge of the data-processing, Brother Thomas of the payroll. Both are unflappably genial despite the stacks of paperwork that keeping accounts entails. A time-consuming sideline for Brother Thomas is handling requests for Notre Dame football tickets from Brothers and friends of the community.

Budgets, financial statements, the province "car pool," hospital bills, tuition, room and board charges—these and dozens of other such items keep the treasurer's office busy from one fiscal period to the next, when the routine begins all over again.



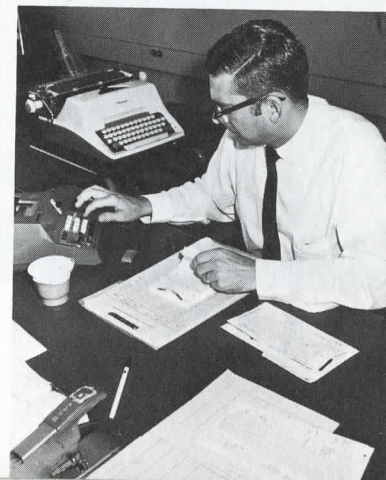
"Well, make the coffee yourself, tomorrow."

"Sign here!"



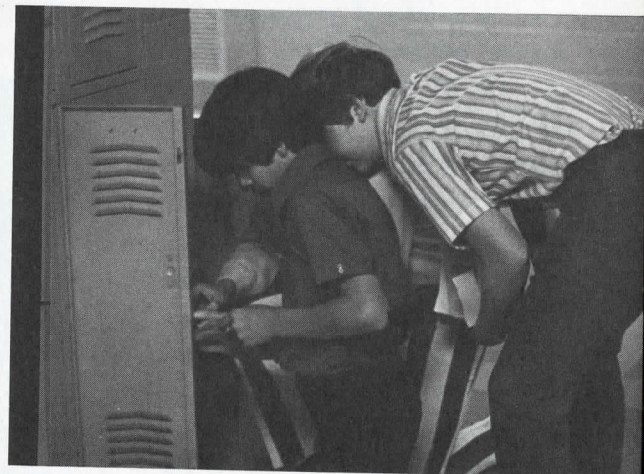
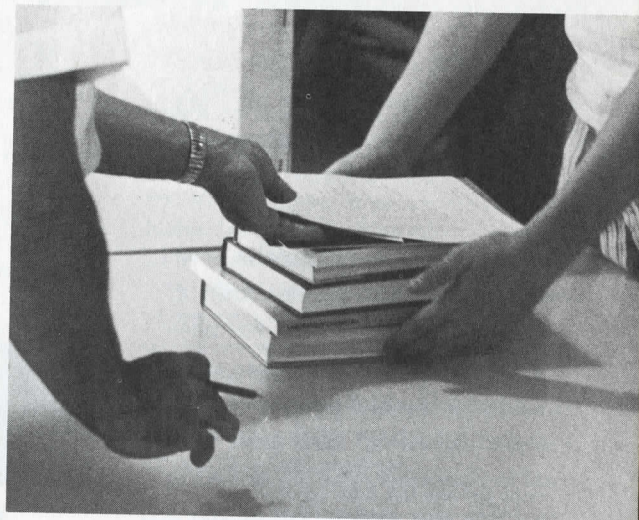
The efficient accounting procedures in the province owe much to the professional skill of Brother Kieran Ryan, the former provincial treasurer/steward and now assistant to the Vice President of Financial Affairs at the University of Notre Dame. Visitors to the general office remark not only on the layout but on the methods. Brother Donald and his staff carry these on with verve, changing and adapting as readily as the market falls and rises.

"Please put the cup where it belongs."





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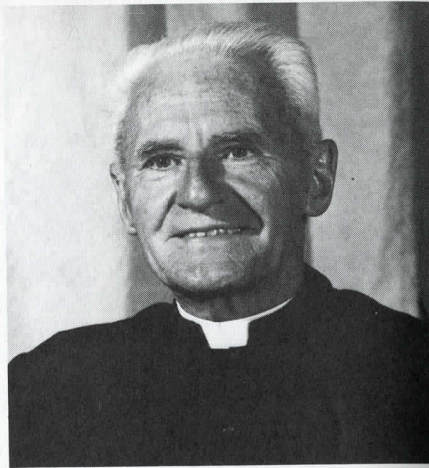


Anniversaries

Brother Marcellinus Fahey is a unique figure among the Brothers of Holy Cross. He is that type of person you read about, but feel you will never meet.

After growing up in Brooklyn, then coming to the small midwest town of Notre Dame in 1918, Brother has been here ever since. For forty seven years he worked in the Notre Dame Post Office, and eighteen of these years were spent as postmaster. The site of the first post office was east of Father Sorin's statue in the main quad, from 1921 to 1932. From this location on the Notre Dame campus, Brother Marcellinus started his ministry of good news. As the postal service motto goes, "Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stops these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds." So too, must we describe Brother Marcellinus.

Through the years of Brother's religious life, this same type of perseverance seems to radiate his actions. His easy going good-natured behavior, his thoughtfulness of others, his ever present smile, dedication to his prayer life, this is Brother Marcellinus. His prayers and activities appear as one effort in his life. He is his work. Perhaps in those two



Bro. Marcellinus Fahey, C.S.C.

standards lie his wholesomeness: truly living the good news.

Now, as he looks back over the past seventy-three years, though no longer playing golf, he daily walks the course, a sense of satisfaction and accomplishment. Those who know him can say that he took the vow of obedience and accomplished far more than what was asked of him.

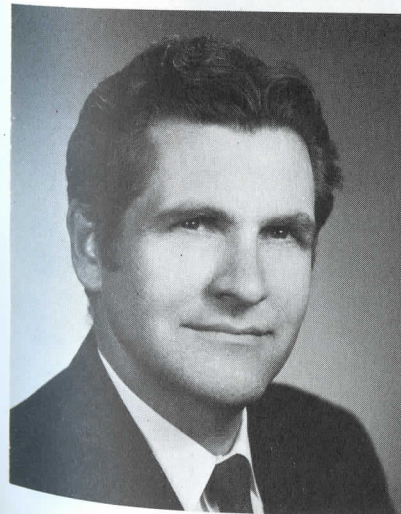
As we Brothers rejoice with Brother Marcellinus over his half century of service to God in Holy Cross, we have him as a living example of how to shape our lives in the service of God. We say thanks and congratulations to Brother Marcellinus on his brilliant success in living the religious life to its fullness.

A student at River Grove, Illinois, where Brother Thomas is presently stationed asked, "Is it really worth it? Couldn't you be making more money if you were not a Brother?" Brother replied that he undoubtedly could, but that he has found the Religious Life more than satisfying over the past twenty-five years and that it was worth the effort. He told the student that money is really not that important when it comes to finding true happiness.

Brother's career in Holy Cross has been varied and challenging. His teaching career started in 1950 at St. Charles, a home for disadvantaged boys in Milwaukee. He returned to Notre Dame that summer and received his Bachelor's Degree. Next he went to Evansville, Indiana, for four wonderful and rewarding years, as Brother terms it.

In 1954, Brother left Evansville and spent the next two years at Holy Trinity

Bro. Thomas Corcoran, C.S.C.



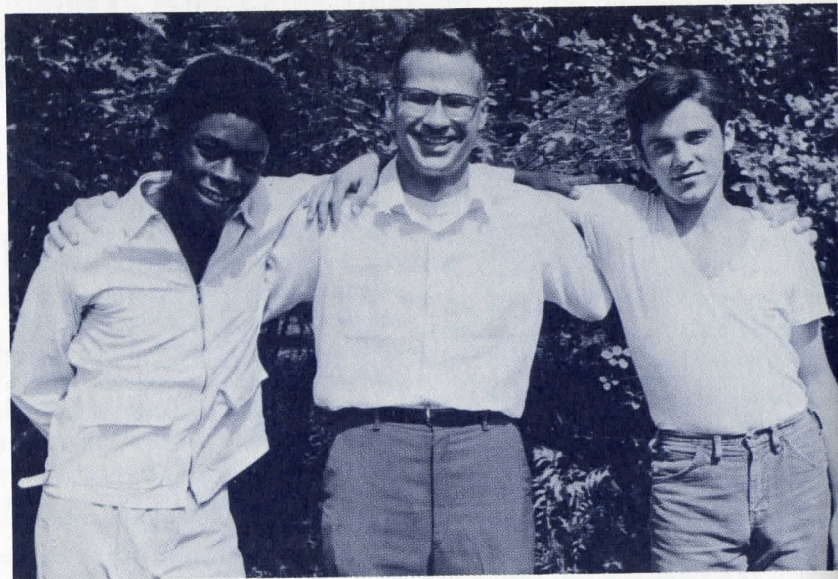
High School in Chicago, after which he was assigned to Boysville in Macon, Michigan. A year later, he went to St. Joseph High School in South Bend where he taught social studies for four years and also served as Athletic Director for three. It was here that he gave Mr. Wally Moore, now an assistant to Notre Dame's Ara Parseghian, a start as head football coach at St. Joseph.

In July of 1961, Brother began a new career as a vocation recruiter. Not only did he spend the next eight years traveling in the Mid-West but also helped direct the Formation Program at Watertown, Wisconsin by conducting a special pre-Novitiate program.

Brother Thomas who earned his Master's Degree in Guidance and Counseling at Notre Dame in 1962 was appointed to head the Guidance Department at Holy Cross High School in River Grove, Illinois, where he is presently stationed.

Affability and winsomeness, coupled with a lively and wholesome humor are Brother Thomas' strongest trademarks and have endeared him to many. However, no set of characteristics can be cited to account for Brother's inspiration to so many, for it is in living the religious life in all its facets on a day-to-day basis that Brother has touched the hearts of God's people wherever he has been assigned.

Brother once said his simple philosophy is. "We sure aren't going to be here very long. If a heart can be touched along the way, for a good purpose, then there has to be a pot of gold at the end of that rainbow. Otherwise, it sure is not worth it. I might as well be working for money."



Bro. Charles VanWinkle personally witnesses to the gospel messages that "The Truth will make you free" and that, "Christ is the Way, the Truth and the Life," as he works with youth in Teen Challenge, a Christ-centered program for rehabilitating drug addicts.

For information about this work and other work being done with youth by the BROTHERS OF HOLY CROSS write to:

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