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The June session of the provincial chapter opened with a prayer by Brother Charles Krupp, provincial, and a reading from the superior general's recent letter.

On Wednesday, June 10, a special Mass to celebrate the Brothers' sesquicentennial will be offered at the Center at 4:30; dinner and jubilation for the capitulants will follow at 6:30.

The voting machines installed by Brother Richard Weber work very well and will save much time in tallying. One vote requires between 30 and 45 seconds--previous chapter members can compare this to the time lost in former paper balloting.

Father Thomas Barrosse, CSC, addressed the second general meeting of the chapter on Monday evening at 8:30. He read his paper "Religious Life in Holy Cross--Yesterday and Tomorrow," and answered questions from the floor. Anyone wishing a copy of this important talk can write to the provincial house. Request copies will be mailed June 16th.

At the third general meeting, a sealed envelope from the superior general, containing names of the four members of the province who received the highest number of votes in the winter voting for provincial candidates was opened. Nominees are: Brothers Walter Davenport, Rex Hennel, Charles Krupp, and James Moroney. Voting for provincial will now follow the procedures outlined in the minutes of the first general meeting (enclosed).

## In and about Committees--

The suggestion for a retirement house in some salubrious climate was aired by the Committee on Community Life. It was pointed out that a questionnaire circulated among elderly members of the community indicated that the older Brothers would prefer to retire in an active house of the province.

Brother Don Fleischhacker presented to the same committee letters he had elicited from bishops throughout the United States in regard to the style of Brothers' clothing. Many of the bishops felt the need for some external symbol; a very positive letter was received from Bishop William McManus, who wrote: "Over and beyond clothes or symbols there is the constant need of the reminder of truly Christian living in word and deed that should be evident in our lives as clerics or religious. I do not think Christ could have been distinguished from others only by His clothing, but by His actions and words one knew the Divine wrapped in humanity."

Some members of the subcommittee on education were surprised on reading for the first time reports from their respective principals on their schools. This subcommittee plans to move painstakingly through each rationale today and tomorrow.

MINUTES OF 1970 PROVINCIAL CHAPTER, SECOND SESSION (not yet approved)  
Midwest Province  
June, 1970

The 1970 provincial chapter of the Midwest Province convened for its second session on June 8, 1970, at 2:00 p.m. in the provincial chapter room, following the first session in April, 1970.

Absent delegates were: Brothers John Dunham, Joseph Chvala, Jeffrey Michels, and Henry Skitzki, Paul Kelly.

The session opened with prayer. The provincial welcomed delegates from the Dacca and the West Africa districts (who were not present at the April session): Brothers Algence Dougherty, Raymond Papenfuss, Richard Gilman, Gerald Kraeger. He announced the time schedule of meetings, including a sesquicentennial anniversary Mass and observance on June 10, celebrating the founding of the Brothers of St. Joseph by Father Dujarie. He announced that Father Barrosse, CSC, would address the general session this evening at 8:30 on "Religious Life in Holy Cross--Yesterday and Tomorrow," a talk he is to give at the opening of the priests' chapter later this month. The provincial suggested the talk not be discussed until after it is given in the priests' chapter. The provincial also said a district superior for the Dacca District will be named toward the end of the chapter. He said the district superior for the District of West Africa has been named, viz., Brother Raymond Papenfuss. He reported that a sealed letter from the generalate, with four names of nominees for provincial, has arrived.

The provincial abrogated the legislation of the previous provincial chapter. He then turned the chair over to the moderator.

A motion was made to amend the minutes of the April session, which mention a unanimous vote for the steering committee proposed for the chapter. The amendment reads: "He then asked that the steering committee be approved, and it was, with the exception of one vote. He then asked that the chapter officers be approved, and the chapter approved unanimously."

The chapter voted to accept the minutes of the April session as amended: Yes 52, No 1, Abstention 1.

Brother James Moroney, secretary of the steering committee, read three proposals, and action was taken on them, as follows:

1. "That the envelopes from the generalate be opened at the general session tomorrow morning and the four names be announced at that time." Carried: Yes 52, Abstentions 0.

2. "That the election of the provincial be on Monday morning, June 15." A motion to add "unless the chapter decides otherwise" was carried: Yes 51, No 1. The motion as amended, "That the election of the provincial be on Monday morning, June 15, unless the chapter decides otherwise," carried: Yes 50, No 2.

3. "That the two provincial councilors be elected separately and that this election take place on June 16 at the morning session, unless the chapter decides otherwise," carried: Yes 51, No 1.

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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