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At the conclusion of the district chapter in Bangladesh, Brother Charles appointed Brother Gerald Kraeger district superior for the Dacca District. The chapter elected Brother John Rozario as their delegate for the 1973 provincial chapter. Brother Gerald has appointed Brothers Brian Lyon, John Rozario, Ronald Drahozal and Ronald Christenson to the district council. Two additional members will be elected to complete the district council.

Brother Fulgence Dougherty, retiring district superior, was given a standing ovation by the district members at the conclusion of his term of office. Brother Fulgence served as district superior for ten years, guiding the district through the recent civil disturbances in a manner which elicited the admiration of everyone. He will, at his request, join the faculty of St. Theresa's Seminary in Ghana in January for a one year term.

The Ad Hoc committee for the 1973 provincial chapter met Sunday, November 26, at the Provincial Residence to consider the establishment of the chapter committees. After nearly four hours of open discussion, the committee decided that they would postpone the naming of chapter committees until after they had received the information requested by the Steering Committee of the Province Forum from the Brothers. The committee will meet again on December 16 at Cathedral High School to review the province suggestions and to name the committees. Brother Jerome Schwabe was elected chairman of the Ad Hoc committee.

Brother Charles will leave on December 5 to visit the houses in Africa and to attend the district chapter which begins December 16. He will remain in Africa for the Christmas holidays and then go to Rome to consult with the general administration prior to departing for Le Mans and the meeting of provincials. These meetings will begin January 10 and continue until January 20. The last two days will be devoted to the celebration of the centenary of Father Moreau's death.

Plans are proceeding for the Moreau celebration in various parts of the province. The Ohio houses will join with the Holy Cross Sisters from Columbus, Ohio, for a celebration at Gilmour Academy on January 21. The Chicago area houses will join the Holy Cross priests and sisters there at Notre Dame High School, Niles, for a Mass, social hour and dinner on January 19. Many priests, sisters and brothers from the area plan to come to Notre Dame for the celebration on the 20th.

Brother William Vondriska was installed as moderator of the Catholic Social Center in South Bend at their October 13 meeting.

Sister Navida, CSC, assistant general of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, has informed us that the office and Mass they are preparing for the Moreau celebration will be printed in early December. I will forward copies to the houses outside the South Bend area when they are received. I trust that all of our houses are making plans for the celebration. If I can be of assistance in any way, please do not hesitate to request it.

Brother Raymond Papenfuss, District Superior in West Africa, has asked that I make known to our schools their need for a 16 mm movie projector. St. John's has 380 resident students and Saturday night movies are the main source of entertainment for the boys. Films are also used in the classes. Brother has suggested that a Bell & Howell model would be best since repairs of this make are available in Ghana. He also notes that the electrical current for Ghana is 220 volts, 50 cycles. Thus a projector made for the United States current would not be usable in Ghana. Also, Brother suggested that a machine which DID NOT have automatic threading would be preferable since it would be one less thing to go wrong. If any of the schools would like to undertake this project, the Ghana brothers would be grateful. Please notify me if you are interested.

Brother Philip Armstrong, Rector of St. Theresa's Seminary, Amisano, Ghana, has asked that I mention in the NEWS NOTES their need for teachers in all areas for the coming year. If you should wish further information, you may contact Brother Philip. His address: P. O. Box 27, Elmina, Ghana, West Africa.

Brother George Kollar recently received his MS degree from the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee. His major was physics.

Brother William Herman was dispensed from his vows earlier this month. Also, Brother Francis Ackon, A Ghanaian brother in temporary vows, has received a dispensation.

Michael McLain, a candidate who has been living at St. Charles Boys Home, has withdrawn from the program.

A special note of thanks to the Steering Committee and all who worked to make the Province Forum such a success. The positive reports more than assure them that their efforts were not in vain.