



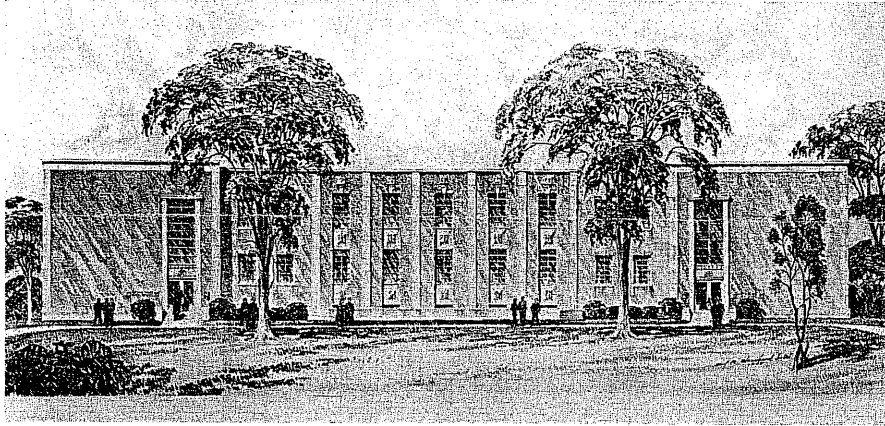
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Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Connecticut

Superior General Offers Mass at Oratory on Patron Saint's Day

On November 15, the Very Reverend Superior General, Albert F. Cousineau, C.S.C., celebrated the feast of St. Albert the Great, his patron saint, at the Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal, Canada, where he is making his canonical visits. All of the houses of the Congregation of Holy Cross remembered Father on this occasion with generous gifts of Masses, prayers and good works. It was, and is, the community's wish that St. Albert, doctor of the Church, will be instrumental through his intercession of granting Father General all the graces and gifts of the Holy Spirit so necessary for such an important position as his.

In a letter dated November 22, Father Cousineau expressed his appreciation as follows:

Your spiritual bouquets, valued both for their religious treasure as well as their artistic beauty, and the promise of Masses to be said or heard for my intentions, have all been received as a precious gift.

In return I pray to my Patron, Saint Albert and to Saint Joseph, the great protector of our Congregation, that they shower you with divine benedictions. I sang my Mass at the Oratory on my feast day for the intentions of all the members of Holy Cross.

Devotedly yours,
Albert F. Cousineau, C.S.C.,
Superior General

Boys of St. Charles Visit Notre Dame

On Saturday, November 27, the boys of St. Charles Boys' Home, one of the three homes for boys conducted by the Brothers of Holy Cross, visited Notre Dame to make a tour of the campus. Rising at 4:30 a. m. the boys traveled by bus from Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Notre Dame. At 9:30 they arrived at Dujarie Hall, the Brothers' House of Studies, where—after a quick hour tour of parts of the campus—they had dinner and made themselves much at home in the recreation rooms. In the afternoon the boys visited the Community House, where Brother Jacob and the Brothers entertained the boys until departure time.

His Excellency, Henry J. O'Brien, Dedicates School at West Haven, Connecticut

On October 31, the Most Reverend Henry J. O'Brien presided at the dedication ceremonies at Notre Dame High School in West Haven, Connecticut. Among the guests were U. S. Senator Brian McMahon, Governor James C. Shannon, Mayor William C. Celantano of New Haven, Rt. Rev. Msgr. John F. Callahan, V.G., Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Hayes, chancellor, Dr. Finis Engleman, state commissioner of education, and Rev. Arthur J. Heffernan, Ph.D., diocesan superintendent of schools.

Reverend Louis Kelly, C.S.C., assistant superior general of the Congregation of Holy Cross, gave the invocation. The principal address was made by Reverend Cornelius J. Laskowski, C.S.C., professor of English at the University of Notre Dame. The ceremonies closed with Pontifical Benediction, with Reverend John A. Heller and Reverend Timothy Byrne attending Bishop O'Brien. After the dedication a buffet lunch was served to the clergy and guests. The welcoming committee and ushers for the dedication ceremonies were the present and past officers of the Notre Dame Father's Club.

The new building, under construction since last April, provides the New Haven area with one of the most modernly equipped schools in the state. The three-story structure has twelve large classrooms, several offices for administration and counseling purposes, cafeteria, library, biology, physics and chemistry laboratories, clinic and a music room. Two locker rooms adjoin the corridor on each of the floors. Large steel-sash, metal-trimmed windows provide excellent lighting in the rubber-tiled corridor and in

the classrooms. The classrooms have white perforated acoustic-block ceilings, battleship-green linoleum floors, non-glare glass blackboards and large bulletin boards.

The exterior of the building is of red brick trimmed in limestone blocks. An athletic field adjoins the building and has been used since September as a practice site for the football team. The field will be sodded and equipped as a first-class athletic plant next spring. The new school will accommodate 500 students. Plans for the future call for another unit of classrooms and a gymnasium and auditorium. Eventually the capacity will be 700 to 750 students.

Founded in 1946 by the Brothers of Holy Cross, the school opened its enrollment the first year to 120 students. It has increased its enrollment by approximately the same number each year. The first senior class will be graduated in June of 1950.

The curriculum provides for a college preparatory course, a general academic course and a business course. In the science department are offered courses in chemistry, physics, and biology. In the business curriculum courses in typing, shorthand, retailing, introductory business and bookkeeping practices are offered. The curriculum in addition provides four years of English, four years of Latin, two years of French, four years of mathematics, and courses in civics and history.

Among the extracurricular activities are band and glee club activities, a drama club, and debating team, varsity competition in all interscholastic sports, plus an expansive intramural program. Three full-time coaches are in charge of the athletic program.

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"A Light Shall Shine Upon Us This Day"

The Light of the Eternal Father, the Incarnate Word, He it is Who is to be born again and to be made manifest to all the world.

He Who was first made known to us by this bright beam of the Christmas star, He it is Who will shed His light upon us this Christmas, nineteen hundred and forty-eight. The flame is to be rekindled; the fire is to be ignited once again; He is to be reborn. The Light is to come forth to illuminate our minds, these minds so distressed by recent memories of flashes in the heavens, flashes that meant men were not at peace. He is to come to be a brighter beam in these our minds sometimes so confused by the glitter of marqueses and neon tubes. He, in the blinding glow of peace, is to come to take possession of our hearts.

Reflecting the Light is the Holy Cross apostolate. It is bound up in the work of the Church of driving out the darkness, of keeping afire the vision of faith entrusted to the kingdom of God on earth. To all who are connected with or interested in the work of Holy Cross—those who devote their lives under the religious vows, the many who help to supply the resources, the young who are taught, the ones who pray—these who share in the mission of Holy Cross we wish the blessings issuing from the Christ-Child. Just as He is to be reborn to spread His life throughout the Church, so may all of us share in the mystery of rebirth, receive as a part of our very selves the warmth and peace of the Light Who is Christ.

To all its friends and benefactors, *BROTHERS OF HOLY CROSS* extends best wishes for a very Peaceful Christmas and a New Year filled with many blessings.

WHAT CAN I DO ?

Many persons of good will are somewhat bewildered by the term Burse and even more mystified by how one works. This confusion arises probably because a simple explanation has never been given.

A Burse is a sum of money deposited in a bank to draw interest. For example, the Brothers' Burses have a value of \$5,000.00 apiece. The income varies because interest rates vary but if, for the sake of explanation, we set the interest rate at two percent, we see that the Burse will bring \$100.00 a year. It is this income which is used.

What is that \$100.00 used for? It is used to help educate a Brother. On the average, a young man must spend five years in preparation for teaching in the schools of the Brothers of Holy Cross. He spends one year in the Novitiate and four years studying for a college degree and following a strict religious regime. It is a simple matter to see that if there are, say, fifty men in the novitiate and a hundred men in college, that it takes a good many times \$100.00 to support them even though they work part of every day on their large farms. You

have guessed correctly, too, when you conclude that adequate preparation for teaching in a Catholic school takes much time and money.

Now, what has all this to do with me? What can I do?

The answer is very simple. You may share more than considerably in the actual work of the Brothers by helping them establish more burses. Any amount will be welcome. By adding your donation, you are actually joining the work of the Brothers by enabling them to educate more men. You are joining the front against the tide of secularism which is infecting the youth of the nation. In your own home, your office or wherever you may be, you can rest secure in the knowledge that you are helping potently by perhaps the only way besides prayer that you can help.

Do you wish to add to a burse or found one yourself? Do you know anyone or any organization which is not being reached and which might want to help?

In making contributions please designate to which burse you wish your donation added. The following is a list of the burses at of the present moment:

St. Joseph No. 1 (Complete)	\$ 5,000.00
St. Joseph No. 2 (Memory of Brother Robert)	1,488.80
Our Lady of Seven Dolors	1,480.80
Brother Englebert (New Orleans, La.)	1,274.80
Brother Marcian (Indianapolis, Ind.)	3,211.20
Brother Daniel (Evansville, Ind.)	3,758.10
Ave Maria (Memory of Brother Raymond)	966.90
Poor Souls	1,151.80
Holy Cross Brothers	2,128.10
Sacred Heart (Memory of Brother Columba)	1,201.90
Immaculate Heart of Mary	65.00
Holy Trinity High School	545.00

Coyle Students and Team

The Randall Island Stadium in New York City was the scene of the Cardinal Hayes-Monsignor Coyle High School football game Sunday afternoon, November 21. The home team won 18 to 0, but the boys from Taunton and their 200 or more followers have pleasant memories of the trip to the metropolitan area.

The players and coaches, of course, went to New York the day before the game. Most of the fans made the trip on Sunday in four special buses. On the way the Coyle cavalcade stopped at West Haven, Connecticut for refreshments and an inspection tour of the new Notre Dame High School. Brother John Baptist, principal of the school, and the members of his faculty were very gracious hosts. Some of Coyle's students marvelled at the green blackboards, one was puzzled by the number of offices, others were intrigued by the public address system, and a few were astonished at the latest in school equipment. No one missed the feeling of being at home in another school conducted by the Brothers of Holy Cross.

After the game, the special buses took Coyle's fans for a sightseeing trip in New York City. The point of greatest interest was Times Square.

Brother Roland, athletic director, accompanied the players; Brothers Richard, Casper, Cyrinus and Michel went with the fans and students.

Parents Go to School at Central Catholic

On November 29 at 7:45 p. m. school bells rang for the parents of Central Catholic boys in South Bend, Indiana. On this evening all the parents attended a full schedule of classes of their children. The principal, Brother Charles Anderson, mailed class schedules to the parents previous to the "school day." Each class period was of 10 minutes duration. The purpose of this type of open house was to give the parents an opportunity to meet each teacher and to see each teacher in action.

Each Brother on the faculty spent the class period telling the parents the objectives of the class, what is expected from each boy, the results being received and the difficulties encountered. The parents were free to ask as many questions as time permitted. None of the boys were present. After the regular class schedule there was an "assembly" in the school cafeteria where the principal made a few pertinent remarks commensurate with the purpose of the open house. At the same assembly the Patrons' Club laid plans for their January festival and acted as refreshment hosts for the parents of the boys. The open house schedule of classes for parents was novel to Central Catholic but has paved the way to setting a marvelous precedent—so excellent were its results.

The Brothers and the Ave Maria Press

Although the main work of the Brothers of Holy Cross is teaching, the family nature of the Community calls for men to engage in several other lines of work. Among these is the apostolate of the "Ave Maria Press." Indeed, in Holy Cross, it could hardly be considered a minor activity since there are thirty-five Brothers employed there in various capacities.

If a person were to take a trip through this modern printing plant, he would first visit the business office. There he would learn that the administration and management of the entire enterprise is entrusted to Brothers, as is likewise the accounting department. Subscription records are maintained by a staff of stenographers.

The operation of the presses and machines concerned with the printing business is supervised by a Brother, and we find Brothers serving in both skilled and semi-skilled capacities and aided by laymen. There are Brothers who are intertype operators, linotype operators, Miehle and Goss press operators, Cleveland Automatic folder operators and in all capacities for the intricate careful job of printing. After these processes are completed, the publications move on to the department where they are covered, stitched, trimmed and mailed. This work is also done by Brothers.

Since the "Ave Maria Press" is one of the largest Catholic publishing houses, the scope of its work is almost unbelievable. Each week, more than 60,000 copies of *The Ave Maria* are printed and mailed to subscribers in all parts of the world. Besides this, the Press, under its own name, publishes books and pamphlets. To the above may be added almost the entire printing output of the University of Notre Dame. Seven thousand copies of the *Scholastic* are printed each week of the school year and 20,000 copies of the *Alumnus* and a like number of the *Notre Dame Magazine* come out bi-monthly. *Concord*, the magazine for the student community, numbering 5,000 subscribers is also printed and mailed monthly. The scholarly University publications, *The American Midland Naturalist* and the *Review of Politics* are printed and sent out in their turn. One should not fail to list the *Juggler*, a student quarterly, and the mailed edition of the *Religious Bulletin*. Aside from all the above,



In the Office of the Ave Maria Press

the Press also prints all the publications of the Congregation of Holy Cross. If and when there is any spare time, it is spent on job printing of letterheads and envelopes.

More important than the great breadth of the actual work accomplished is the spiritual impact of the material produced on the general public. Since it is all Catholic in tone, it cannot fail to accomplish an immense amount of good. Even at their work,

the Brothers' example is a silent testimony and does not fail to impress. Interested observers and representatives of the various printing crafts have commented on the family spirit which permeates the shop. Some have said that they have found it nowhere else. It is perhaps the penetration of the religious spirit and the mutual exchange of the "charity of Christ" on the part of both the lay and religious workers.

IN AND ABOUT THE PROVINCE

Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio

On Wednesday, November 3, the Rt. Rev. Joseph J. Mullen, S.T.D., Rector of St. Mary's Seminary, was Gilmour's honored guest at the regular six weeks Declaration of Honors. The brief ceremony was held in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit on the campus. After the honor certificates and pennants were awarded, Msgr. Mullen gave a brief talk on the necessity of study.

On November 9 the Gilmour students had the pleasure of attending a real grown-up debate—between the University of Pittsburgh and Western Reserve. The question was "That the United Nations should be changed into a Federal World Government." Opinions were offered in writing and handed in as the audience left the gymnasium, where the debate was held.

Cathedral H. S., Indianapolis, Ind.

Lord Michael Patrick ("Mike") is the newest enrollee at Cathedral. At present he is residing with the faculty. His tuition is being paid by the Booster's Club. The pedigreed Irish Terrier will be mascot for the athletic teams.

Long hours of labor on the parts of Brothers Etienne and Bennet gave the aged cafeteria the Astor look for the football banquet on Nov. 23.

The annual Junior Dance, under the sponsorship of Brother Cyprien, was held

Thanksgiving Eve, with the appropriate title, "Pilgrim Prom."

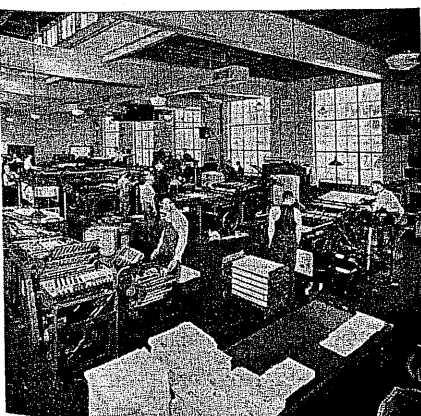
The Student Theater's first offering of the season, "Room Service," directed by Brother Kerran, ran successfully for three performances during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Coyle H. S., Taunton, Mass.

On the nights of December 7 and 8 Coyle High presented its annual play. This year it was "The Big Help" by playwright Jean Kerr. It was a three act comedy in which four seniors, one junior and a sophomore took the male roles. St. Mary's High furnished the supporting cast of six girls. The players had been rehearsing under the direction of Brother Theophilus, C.S.C. Brother Eagan, C.S.C., figured into it with his aid as stage technician.

St. Joseph's Juniorate, Valatie, N. Y.

Recently at the juniorate in the East the monthly meeting of the St. Joseph's Mission Society was held with Ronald Sharkey, the president, presiding. In preparation for Mission Sunday, Brother Lionel had prepared an interesting and thought-provoking mission exhibit and after the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting by the secretary, Bob Porter, and a few words by the president, the rest of the time was spent in viewing and discussing this exhibit. The



The Ave Maria Pressroom

meeting closed with the usual prayer for the missions.

The words of Christ, "Go forth and teach ye all nations," spoken to the Apostles were meant not only for them but also for their followers. By this we do not mean that our missionary work must be left to the priest and religious in the far away lands. These people need the help of the laity.

We who are aspiring to be religious of Holy Cross should in particular remember in our prayers our own missionaries in India. We must remember the great sacrifices made by these people who are carrying out the words of Christ by teaching His infinite goodness to all men.

At the Mission Exhibit in the postulants' recreation room we can see some of the trials and hardships the missionaries have to endure. The exhibition contains a great array of pictures collected by Brother Bernardine, C.S.C., during his missionary assignment in India. Among other interesting things are the autograph of Mohandas Gandhi and some Indian coins. On display is also a collection of pictures of Okinawa, the land of 570,000 souls of which none are Catholics, contributed by Brother Lionel, C.S.C., showing the complete picture of the life and religious beliefs of these people. These pictures formulate in the mission mind a world to which the voice of God must still be carried. They show the works, hardships and joys of a missionary's life.

If we really study these pictures and take to heart the needs of the people there portrayed we can surely pray thus:

*Into the darkest land,
Where civilization may not be
I hope to carry your word and plan
O Lord Jesus, just for Thee.
In the darkest of all lands
Be it secluded or free
Perhaps I may turn out to be
The seed of Christianity.*

—Leo Hogan

St. Anthony's H. S., Long Beach, Cal.

Brother Dunstan Bowles has been appointed Co-Chairman of the Educational Dramatic Council of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. The newly-formed group is preparing a tournament of one-act plays to be produced during the month of February, 1949.

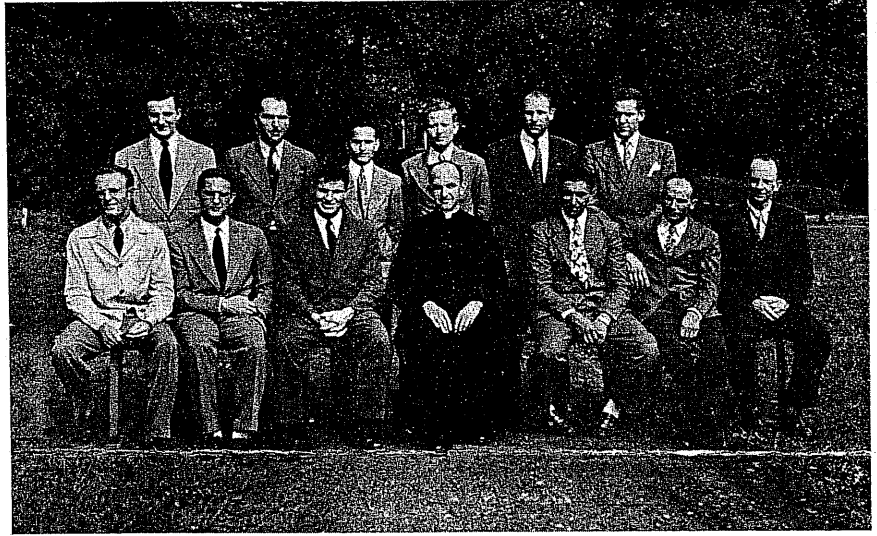
Brother Genard Greene has written a new musical composition for two pianos: "In Early California." It is Spanish in rhythm and commemorates the California Centennial.

In a nation-wide competition, Dean O'Hare, a senior at St. Anthony's, was chosen by the *Extension Magazine* as one of its four outstanding teen-age editors. The selection was made on the basis of a written essay carrying good suggestions for improving the teen-age section of the *Extension*. Should he continue to do outstanding work, he will merit an expense-paid trip to Chicago during the latter weeks of August, 1949.

St. Charles Boys Home, Milwaukee, Wis.

Many notables attended St. Charles' annual football banquet. The staff from the Milwaukee Detention Home, probation officers of the county, representatives from the juniorate of Holy Cross at Watertown, Wisconsin, and the athletic director from Pius High School in Milwaukee made an impressive gathering. The guest speaker for

**EX-G. I. CANDIDATES FOR BROTHERHOOD
(Watertown, Wisconsin)**



First row, left to right: Jasper Snoddy, Olla, Louisiana; David Kiley, Hamilton, Ohio; Joseph Doerr, Flint, Michigan; Brother Donatus Schmitz, superior at Watertown, Wisconsin; Andrew Sukenik, Johnstown, Pennsylvania; Arthur Choquette, Denver, Colorado; and Joseph Swanston, Chicago, Illinois. Second row, left to right: Thomas O'Connell, Chicago, Illinois; Paul Sherman, Stratford, Wisconsin; James Moroney, Witt, Illinois; Allen Newell, Rossville, Georgia; Gerald Hackman, Cleveland Heights, Ohio; and Raymond Mau, Detroit, Michigan.

the occasion was Mr. Don Leahy, quarterback from Marquette University football team. He spoke of the "second effort" needed to win in football and in life and cited Notre Dame as the best example of this virtue. After the banquet, monograms were awarded to all players who took an active part in this season. Roy Meiselheimer, a friend of St. Charles, donated gold footballs to members of the varsity and midget teams; he also gave two reversible jackets to the most valuable players from each team. The probation officers donated four sport outfits to the most needy boys. Other speakers at the banquet were Father Donnelly, C.S.C., Brother Hilarion, superior, and representatives from the two football squads.

As is the usual custom, First Friday devotions were observed during the past month. The boys in turn took their places of adoration throughout the day. It certainly is an inspiring sight to see these boys pray for the missions, the Poor Souls, their families, teachers, and their personal intentions. At times their diction is erroneous but their hearts are always right.

Brother Basil Thomas introduced stamp-saving and daily prayers as a means of helping foreign missionaries. He inspired the boys to generosity by a stirring speech that left many of the lads ready to follow in the steps of St. Francis Xavier.

Among the social activities were: attendance at the Boys Town Choir Concert, and the La Duca Brother Accordion Concert, both held in the Milwaukee Auditorium; the Little Police Band of seventeen pieces, which entertained with good music, happy songs and some expert comic juggling; the annual card party of the Electric Company of Milwaukee; and the Marquette-South Dakota football game, as guests of the University of Marquette.

Central Catholic H. S., South Bend, Ind.

Before the close of school prior to the Christmas holidays, on December 17, the Central Catholic Dramatic Society presented "Why the Chimes Rang," a Christmas one-act play by Elizabeth McFadden. Later in the month of December, the play will be presented to the Patrons' Club, the student body of St. Matthew's Elementary School, St. Joseph's Academy and to others.

In the corridors of Central Catholic has been constructed a Christmas crib. Set in the background of a huge Gothic window with blue center and silver and red imitation stain-glass windows, the crib serves as a meeting place for students to sing Christmas Carols at a specified time during the school day.

On Friday, December 3, Brother Charles Anderson, principal, spoke at the monthly meeting of the Serra Club, an association of South Bend business and professional men, whose purpose is to foster religious vocations. Brother Charles spoke on the local needs of Catholic high-school education.

St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas

Brother Edmund Hunt, president of St. Edward's University, and Brother Simon Scribner, vice-president and registrar, attended the meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools held in Memphis on November 29. This body is the chief accrediting agency for colleges and high schools in the south, setting standards that must be met by all member schools.

Recently, Brother Edmund also attended the two-day workshop for college presidents held at the University of Texas. Several of the speakers attending the Texas Personnel Conference addressed the workshop. The problem of administration procedures was one of the main topics of discussion.