

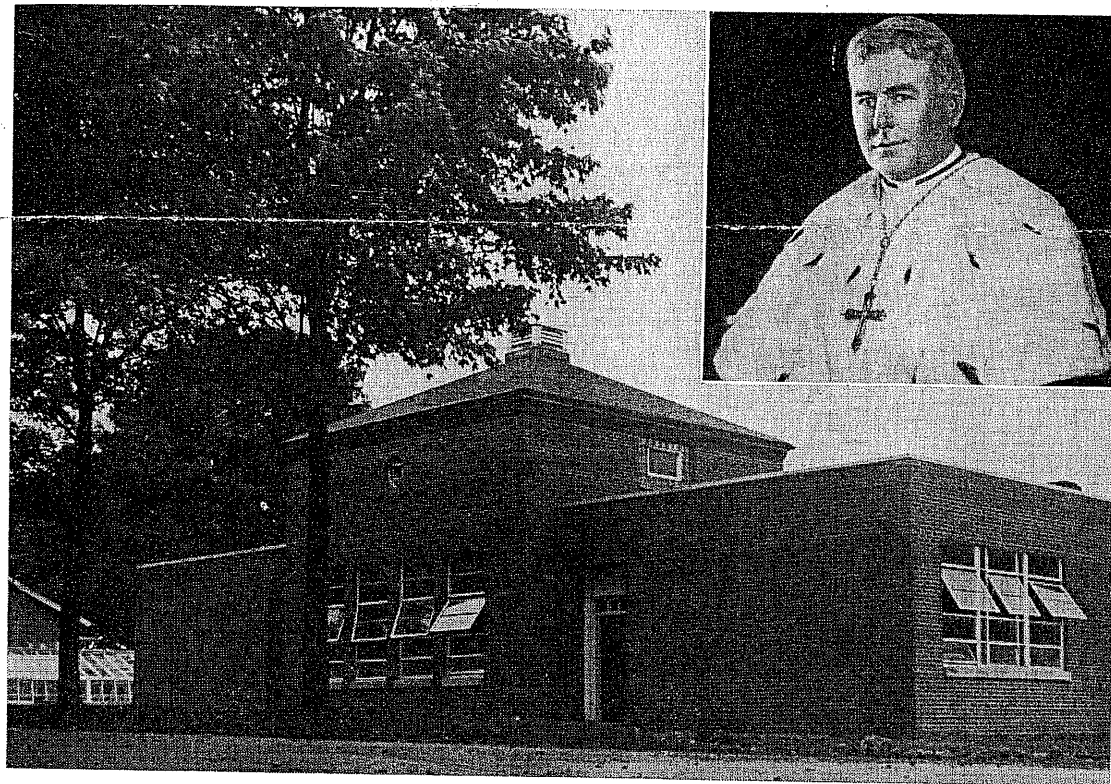


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Bishop Edward Hoban
(inset) blesses
new classroom building
at Gilmour Academy
on September 20

Bishop Hoban Blesses Gilmour Classroom Building

Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio, had a second blessing of buildings within two years by His Excellency, Edward F. Hoban, S.T.D., Bishop of Cleveland, when its new school building was dedicated September 20 before more than three hundred guests—pastors, parents and students, and benefactors of the school.

The colorful ceremony began with a procession from the Tudor House to the new school building which Bishop Hoban then blessed. Following that a Pontifical High Mass of the Holy Ghost for the opening of the school year was held in the school gymnasium. Officers of the mass were: His Excellency, Bishop Hoban, celebrant; Rev. Michael Moriarty, LL.D., pastor of St. Catherine's Church, arch-priest; Rev. Urban E. Gerhardt, assistant at St. William's Church, deacon; Rev. Casimir Czaplicki, C.S.C., chaplain at Gilmour, subdeacon; Rev. Dennis B. Sughrue, C.S.C., director of Holy Cross Postulate, North Dartmouth, Mass., and Rev. William O'Keefe, assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception in Wiloughby, deacons of honor; and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Kenneth W. Saunders, master of

ceremonies. The sermon, a scholarly and forceful exposition of the need of religion in education and life, was preached by Rev. William B. Gallagher, pastor of St. Francis Assisi Church, Gates Mills.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies, His Excellency graciously expressed his appreciation for the expansion of the educational work that the Brothers of Holy Cross are doing in his diocese.

Brother Theophane, headmaster of Gilmour Academy, expressed his gratitude to His Excellency, to the Reverend clergy, and to other guests and then introduced Brother Venard Gorman, general councillor of the Congregation of Holy Cross, and Brother William Mang, assistant provincial of the Province of the Brothers of Holy Cross, who spoke briefly in the name of the Congregation and of the Province, respectively.

Gilmour Academy's new school building contains many of the latest improvements and recommendations in school-house construction. Flexible rooms, acoustical ceilings in rooms and corridors, sloping ceilings to reflect light to far-side of rooms, provisions for audio-visual aids, and modern

Hungarian Artist Sculpts Bust of Father Dujarie

In early spring of this year, Mr. Eugene Kormendi at the invitation of Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, Provincial, sculptured a bust of the founder of the Brothers of Holy Cross, the Reverend James Francis Dujarie. Despite the fact that all that Mr. Kormendi had to copy from was a steel engraving by Bordeau, traditionally purported to be an excellent likeness of Father Dujarie, the finished product is a marvelous compliment to Mr. Kormendi's ability. Copies of the bust were sent to the following houses of the province: Community House and Dujarie Hall, at Notre Dame; the novitiate at Rolling Prairie, Indiana; the two juniorates at Watertown, Wisconsin and Valatie, New York.

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laboratory facilities, are some of the features of this well-planned school building.

The building is a one-story, brick veneer, fireproof structure with ten classrooms and four laboratories—one each for physics, chemistry, biology, and drawing. A large library and the offices are in an adjoining building.

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News Items

Brother Maurus O'Malley, principal of the Boys' Department of St. Francis Assisi School, Brooklyn, N. Y., is teaching Educational Psychology at the Brooklyn Diocesan Normal School during the present school year.

Brother Adalbert Mrowca, Assistant Professor of Physics at the University of Notre Dame, recently visited Bell Laboratories at Brown University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology to consult with personnel engaged in research in supersonics under Navy contract. Brother Adalbert is engaged in similar research at the University of Notre Dame.

Brother Kenan Judge, Dean of men at St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, read a paper on "Methods and Techniques of Teaching History" before the summer meeting of the History Teachers' Club of the University of Notre Dame. Brother Kenan is a member of the Club's Executive Committee and also chairman of the Committee on Curricula and Methods.

At the Catholic-Action Study Week for Non-clerical Religious, held at St. Mary's Academy, Twyckenham, South Bend, Brother Gerontius McCarthy of Catholic Central High School, Monroe, Michigan, discussed the topic, "Is Our Direction Effective?" At the same meeting Brother Ellis Greene of Central Catholic High School, South Bend, was a leader in the discussion on "The Role of Non-clerical Religious in the Formation of Lay Leaders." Brother Wilbert Leveling of Vincentian Institute, Albany, New York, and Brother Albertus Smith of Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio, were members of the committee which made arrangements for the meeting.

The recent issue of the *Proceedings* of

the National Conference of Catholic Charities includes a paper on "Treatment of Behavior Problem Children in an Institutional Setting" which was read at the New Orleans meeting of the Conference by Brother Lawrence Miller, Field Director of St. Charles Boys' Home, Milwaukee. Brother Lawrence and Brother Norman Head, Field Director of Gibault School for Boys, Terre Haute, Indiana, will attend the coming Catholic Charities Convention in Boston.

At the Catholic Teachers Institute of Milwaukee Brother Lawrence was president at the meeting on Elementary Schools. The Institute was attended by representatives of all the schools of the diocese.

Brother Lionel Light, Teacher at St. Charles Boys' Home, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was elected chairman of the Child Care Staff Meetings sponsored by the Milwaukee County Social Agencies. Holding regular meetings throughout the year this committee is composed of leaders in various children's institutions. Its purpose is to provide a clinic for the study of problems in institutions and their solutions. By comparing various institutions' problems and means of solving them much common interest is provided and valuable data compiled.

Brother David Martin participated in the Library Institute held at the University of Chicago. The theme of the Institute was "Education for Librarianship."

The second volume of *CATHOLIC LIBRARY PRACTICE* is projected and will be published by the University of Portland Press during 1949. Brother David is editor of the work which will include among its contributors the Reverend Harold Gardiner, S.J., and Brother Ernest Ryan. Brother Ernest will contribute a chapter entitled "School Teachers' Library."

During the summer months Brother Godfrey Vassallo presented three papers at as many meetings. In July Brother attended the Nuclear Conference at the University of Washington. At the meeting of the American Institute of Physics at Montana University Brother gave a talk on "Frequency-Modulated Radar Technique." Another talk was given at the University of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho, on the occasion of the meeting of the Institute of Radio Engineers. Brother's talk on this occasion was "Sunspots and Radio Weather."

Brother Ernest Ryan, Director of Dujarie Press, wrote three books during the past year: *And the Winds Blew*, a novel published by St. Anthony Guild Press; and *St. Joseph's Little Brother*, a story of Brother Andre, C.S.C., and *When Going's Toughest*, a story of St. Jude, both published by the Dujarie Press. These three volumes bring the total number of books written by Brother Ernest to twenty-seven, of which more than fifteen thousand copies were sold the past year.

Under the sponsorship of the Indiana Cancer Society, Inc., Brother Benedictus Cecoy was one of the six teachers from the

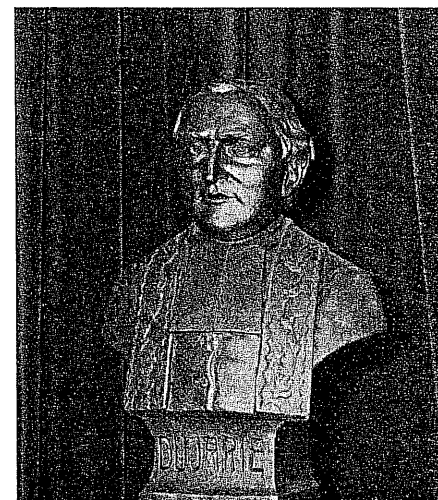
SCULPTURER MAKES BUST

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York; and St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas.

Previous to the last war, Mr. Kormendi came to this country from Budapest, Hungary, with his wife, herself an excellent painter, sculptor and artist in ceramics, to exhibit their work at the World's Fair in New York. Following the World's Fair, Mr. and Mrs. Kormendi held exhibitions in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Palm Beach, Florida, and Oak Park and Chicago, Illinois. While at Chicago, Mr. Kormendi was approached by Father John Cavanaugh, C.S.C., president of Notre Dame University, who invited Mr. Kormendi to make the centennial ceramic plaques now hanging in the vestibule of Sacred Heart Church on the university where he teaches students in sculpture campus. Since that time Mr. Kormendi is Artist in Residence at the university and ceramics from the Fine Arts College and College of Architecture.

Many works of Mr. Kormendi and his wife are very well known. He made the War Memorial (statue) for the Brothers of



St. Francis Shrine at Valparaiso, Indiana and at present is working on a twenty-foot bronze statue of Christ, "Light of the World," which will be exhibited at the Catholic Welfare Conference to be held in Washington, D. C. One of Mrs. Kormendi's finest creations are the aluminum Stations of the Cross now in use at Boys Town, Nebraska. At present she is painting a set of the Stations of the Cross for the Most Reverend John F. Noll, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

state of Indiana who took part in the Workshop for the revision of Cancer Literature. The Workshop, held at Indiana University, was under the direction of Doctor Carl G. F. Franzen.

Brother Joel Wepler is giving a series of five lectures at the Holy Trinity Fall Forum in Evansville, Indiana. The lectures are entitled: God in Human History, The Church and Graeco-Roman Society, Monasticism, The Church and Humanism, and Church and State.

In and About the Province

Indianapolis, Indiana

With the opening of school at Cathedral High school on September 7, enrollment totaled 720 boys. Activities started with great enthusiasm. The Boosters sponsored an evening pep rally in the school auditorium before the Bloomington game. A large number of fathers was present and as a result Booster membership swelled. One of the speakers on the evening program was Mr. Tony Hinkle, football coach at Butler University and former mentor of Joe Dezellan, Cathedral's coach.

The student theater has begun production of *Room Service*, which will be staged toward the end of November.

During a student assembly last month, Herman Lutz and William Munshower, Cathedral delegates to the August Catholic Students Mission Crusade convention at Notre Dame, presented their plans for the initiation of a CSMC unit at Cathedral; the unit has begun with a membership of 25.

Brooklyn, New York

On September 12, the day before the opening of school, the faculty of St. Thomas Aquinas School attended the customary Bishop's exercises at St. James Pro-Cathedral: Vespers, an address by His Excellency, Thomas E. Malloy, and Benediction. The next day school opened with an enrollment of 647 boys; of these, 248 are in the Brothers' Department. The faculty of last year remained intact with one exception: Brother Leopold VanWinkle replaced Brother Francisco Drury, who is now studying and teaching at Spokane, Washington. Brother Alexius Adam, assisted by Brother Leopold, will conduct the school athletic program. Brother John Joseph is expanding the Catholic Action groups to include selected high-school boys in a present eighth grade unit. In addition, on Saturdays, Brother John Joseph is taking two classes at Fordham University's downtown school: "The Christian Supernatural Life" and "The Study of the Child."

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine classes have been scheduled to begin on October 4; released time classes, October 6.

New Orleans, Louisiana

Holy Cross inaugurated its seventieth year with an enrollment of 600 boys, of which 150 are in residence.

In August, Brother Alfonso Comeau, M.A., former vice-principal and director of studies, was appointed principal. He succeeds Brother Octavius Franke, M.S., who was appointed vice-principal of Notre Dame High School in Biloxi. Brother Alfonso is the eleventh principal since the foundation of the school. Other changes in administration include the appointment of Brother Vincent Hinderschied as vice-principal. Brother continues in the capacity of prefect of discipline. Brother Theodosius Flynn is

the new director of studies; Brother Sidney Halligan succeeds Brother Gabriel Halm as treasurer.

New faculty members include: Brother Vincent de Paul, formerly of Cathedral High school in Indianapolis, instructor in Latin and English and director of dramatics; Brother John Doran, instructor in English and religion; Brother Andre, formerly of St. Joseph Juniorate in Valatie, New York, instructor in chemistry and mathematics; and Mr. Marvin McCain, recent graduate of Tulane University, instructor in physical education.

Three new courses have been added to the curriculum of the school. They are German, music appreciation and a non-credit course in debating and argumentation. Mr. Wilmer Hinrichs, graduate law student of Tulane and former president of the Tulane Debating Society, has been engaged as an instructor in debating.

The Holy Cross baseball park, nearing completion, will be one of the finest of its kind in this vicinity. The park, of concrete and steel construction, is being financed by the Parents' Club of Holy Cross. Begun three years ago, work on the stadium was slowed because of scarce materials. However, Brother Benedict, under whose direction wonderful progress has been made, promises that the park will be ready for the spring baseball season.

The Holy Cross American Legion Baseball team, sponsored by Bohn Motors of New Orleans, won the city and state championship this past summer. The Tigers were eliminated, however, in regional play-off at Austin, Texas. While in Austin, the team and coach were the guests of the Brothers of Holy Cross at St. Edward's University.

The year 1949 marks the centennial year for the Brothers of Holy Cross in Louisiana. On May 1, 1849 five Brothers—Vincent, Theodolus, Francis de Salcs, Basil and Louis Gonzaga—and three Sisters of Holy Cross arrived in New Orleans by river boat to assume direction of St. Mary's Orphanage on Chartres Street. Preparations for the centennial celebration are now being planned.

Evansville, Indiana

Memorial High School reports that its student enrollment this year is 414 boys, 34 less than last year. The reason for the drop is the increased enrollment at the Annex which is to be the West Side High School. This year the Annex has an enrollment of 250, about half of which are boys. The figures at Memorial High by classes are: Seniors, 113, Juniors, 104, Sophomores, 104 and Freshmen, 93. Not included in this total enrollment are 12 seniors and 11 juniors attending Mechanic Arts School.

In the Annual Survey and Rating of the Catholic School Press Association, the school annual, THE MEMORIAL RE-

VIEW was awarded First Honors; the school newspaper, THE MEMORIAL, was awarded the highest rating, All Catholic, for the third successive year.

Memorial High School is proud to announce that among its alumni two made their final vows as Brothers in the Congregation of Holy Cross: Brothers Mel Keil and Florentius Schu. Two others pronounced first vows as Brothers: Brothers Patrick Fleming and Francis Kern; and four others received the habit as Brothers of Holy Cross: Brothers Paul Baronowsky, John Kuhn, John Brennan and Bernard Berendsen.

Other recent alumni received scholarships. Three members of the class of '48 are studying at the University of Notre Dame under Naval R.O.T.C. scholarships: Francis Beumel, Joel Wells and Edward Gray. Larry Weber, of the class of '48, was named winner of a four-year scholarship to St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Sport play is an important part of the program at St. Charles' Boys' Home. Many of the boys never have participated in athletic activities before. They learn from their coach all the rules of the game and are inspired with the spirit of good sportsmanship. The lesson is well learned; there is an extremely good spirit in practice and at game time. This training is of extreme value in readjusting these delinquent boys to society.

Regular educational films are shown every Friday night. This is an extracurricular activity, and has the added value of entertainment. Wild life, history, science and social subjects are interspersed with sport pictures and here-and-there a rib-tickling comedy.

Brother Simeon Costello has started a regular shop course. Projects are chosen, plans drawn, and the object of the boy's work takes shape. Here mathematics and theory have a direct appeal which in connection with regular classwork is extremely valuable. Both steel and wood lathes, as well as band, jig, and circular saws are used. There are many other tools available in the modest shop that boys are taught to use. Actual maintenance work is done by the boys in addition to project work.

Brother Basil Thomas is planning to start a stamp-saving program to aid the Brothers laboring in our foreign missions in India. He is now preparing a series of articles as an appeal to arouse interest in the work of the missionaries. Through this medium the boys will be instructed and inspired to help the men in India.

A musical appreciation course has been established as a part of the regular school curriculum. Folk songs, ballads, operettas are stepping stones to the operas and symphonies. Quizzes are regularly given in order to determine the response of the boys

Convalescents Honored

On the Feast of Our Lady of the Snow, the statue of Our Lady of Fatima, at that time being honored on the campus of the University of Notre Dame, was brought to our Community Infirmary. The statue was



Left to right, Rev. Patrick J. Haggerty, celebrant, and Brothers Michael, Wencelous, Julius and Omer.

carried into the rooms of the bed-ridden where prayers to Our Lady were said. After the visitations to the rooms, the statue was carried to the Infirmary Chapel where additional prayers and the beads were recited. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament climaxed the short pilgrimage. May Our Lady of Fatima bless our sick and incapacitated religious and give them the grace to fulfill their mission of the suffering apostolate!

IN AND ABOUT THE PROVINCE

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to different types of music. Community singing is a stimulant since active participation is a strong appeal for teenagers.

Long Beach, California

The news from Long Beach reports that enrollment for this school year totaled 425 boys. Brother Francis Assisi, the principal, announced that Brother Keric Dever replaced Brother Adrian Cygnar as athletic director. Brother Keric reports that athletics look promising this year. The football team won its first game by the narrow margin of 14-12, winning over New Port Harbor. Last year the football team tied for the championship.

A new course in Biology has been added to the curriculum; the course is taught by Brother Elmer Brummer, one of the three new teachers sent to St. Anthony's.

During the summer months, Brother Dunstan Bowles attended the Theatre Workshop at Immaculate Heart College in Hollywood. Brother produced a one-act play and as part of his course acted a character role in the comedy, "Sincerely Yours." At present Brother Dunstan is making a complete set of vestments for the Solemn High Mass to be sung at the dedication of the new school in the San Fernando Valley in October. As we go to press Brother is in the process of hand painting each vestment.

Brother Genard Greene, head of the music department at St. Anthony, wrote "Baile Espanol," a Spanish dance for the high-

school orchestra. It was played for a student assembly at the close of school last June. During the summer, Brother also completed three new piano compositions: "June Rhapsody," "Theme and Variations in A-Flat," and "Red Skin Dance." The latter, a characteristic Indian Dance, has been orchestrated by Brother; the school orchestra began rehearsal on it at the opening of this school year.

Terre Haute, Indiana

The school year at Gibault Home for Boys, Terre Haute, Indiana, opened on September 7 with full enrollment. Forty-five cities, fifteen states as well as the District of Columbia are represented.

Four prominent men recently visited Gibault to observe its program and operation: Mr. L. M. Klineduist and Mr. A. M. Donze, First and Second Vice President respectively of Timken Roller Bearing Company, Judge Paul D. Van Nostram of the Canton, Ohio Juvenile Court, and his Chief Probation Officer, Mr. Earl Schreiber. These gentlemen flew by private plane from Canton, Ohio. They had a special interest in noting what is being done for the underprivileged boy throughout the country, and Gibault was on their itinerary.

Another visitor to Gibault was Rev. Father Meyers, S.J., a Russian Uniate Priest from China, who also came for the purpose of observing Gibault's program of work and how it operates. Father Meyers is soon to return to China where he intends to establish a school similar in principle and purpose to Gibault at his China Mission Post.

The Optimists Club of Terre Haute at one of their noon meetings decided to grant a donation of athletic equipment to Gibault. The next evening their representative, Mr. Samuel Fine brought out three large boxes of football equipment, basketballs, soccer balls, jerseys, boxing gloves and punching bags. Gibault assures its kind benefactors that this equipment will be put to most excellent use.

During the summer months seventy-three boys were placed from Gibault, most of them returning to their own homes, homes of relatives or foster homes; others were enrolled in schools. As these boys left Gibault, their places were quickly taken by new arrivals.

Six Gibault boys won out in the American Legion Boxing Tournament held at Memorial Stadium in Terre Haute. Two trophies and an autographed baseball were added to the boxing laurels of the school.

Shield Makes Comment

The resolution of gratitude made to the University of Notre Dame by the *Shield*, editorial mouthpiece of the CSMC, gave special mention to Dujarie Hall and the crew of twenty Brothers who registered the delegates. "The work of these young men, registering twenty-seven hundred delegates in the space of twelve hours on the opening day, was marked by an efficiency that the convention managers had never witnessed before, even in hotels with professional registration clerks."

We Came to Brooklyn

After putting the finishing touch to the pleasant coolness of summer months spent at Valatie, New York, we came to Brooklyn to start our school year. Well, you can talk about your pioneering saints of long ago but they could well feel at home at 320 Maple Street.

Monsignor Gorman made us more than welcome as we followed him through dust covered halls and stairway climbing over boards and debris. On the third floor we were given rooms which are to be our only spot of shelter for a while from the "busy" workmen and curious but friendly neighbors. A comparison comes to mind: Grand Central Station on Saturday afternoon.

But we can't complain — although one might be tempted to do so with so little privacy and the banging noise that comes with making repairs. But we have many friends. The people are as country neighbors, strange perhaps to those who have read about the coldness of New York City life. Even the smallest of children recognize a Brother at a distance and wave a friendly hello or stumble over themselves in attempting to tip their little caps in greeting. Really, it would do a pessimistic arm-chair philosopher good to spend a few days here about St. Francis' School where the spark of kindness, friendliness and charity is far from dimming.

Our meals are taken for the present at the parish rectory where an Irish cook and housekeeper sees to it that the lads from across the street are properly dined. God bless our Irish neighbors and Brother Kilian's blarney!

In time our house when completed will be one of true religious form. Indeed it was a blessed day when the Brothers of Holy Cross set foot on the soil of Brooklyn.

Juniorates Open School Year

The total enrollment at the Juniorates, Valatie, New York and Watertown, Wisconsin, is 76 candidates representing seventeen states and Canada. The states of Michigan and New York lead the rest with 17 and 14 candidates respectively. The numbers of candidates from the remaining 15 states are: Illinois and Wisconsin, 7 each; Ohio and Pennsylvania, 6 each; Massachusetts and Indiana, 3 each; Louisiana, 2; and California, New Jersey, Washington, Kentucky, Georgia, Colorado, Missouri, Iowa, Maryland and North Dakota, 1 each. Detroit, Michigan leads all other cities with 8 candidates; Chicago has the next highest representation with 6 candidates.

Of the 76 candidates, 31 are high school graduates, 12 are seniors in high school, 11 are juniors and 7 are sophomores. Two are college graduates, and 11 have from one-half year to two years of college finished. Two candidates are special students. The average age of the candidates is approximately 19 years, four months. About 20 of the candidates were members of the various branches of the armed service.