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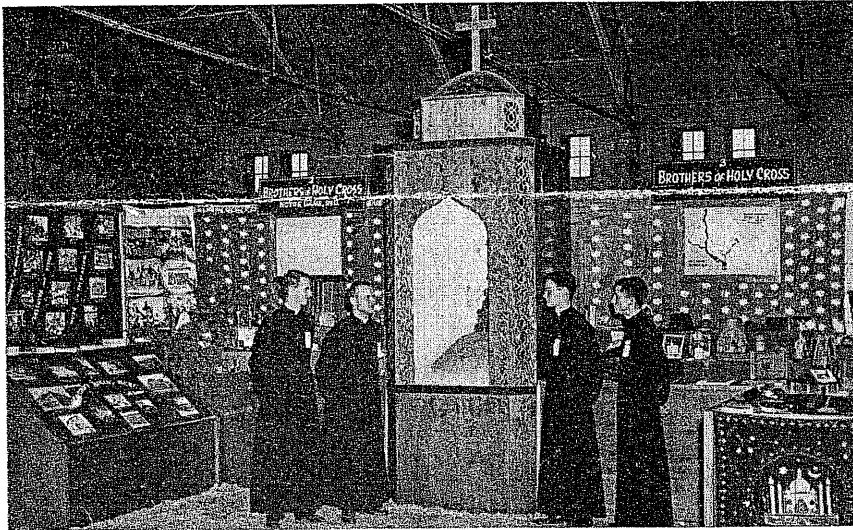
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The exhibit of the Holy Cross Brothers was a feature of the CSMC convention. Left to right are Brother James Madigan, C.S.C., Brother Just Paczesny, C.S.C., Brother Aubert Harrigan, C.S.C., and Brother Richard Cunningham, C.S.C.

Brothers Represented at CSMC Convention

Notre Dame, from Aug. 26 through Aug. 29, was the exciting scene of one of the country's largest missionary meetings as 3,500 delegates from everywhere gathered for the thirteenth national convention of the Catholic Students Mission Crusade.

Delegates resided in the residence halls, ate in the Dining Hall, swam in St. Joseph's Lake and in the Rockne Memorial, and carried on the real business of the convention in countless gatherings all over the campus.

The missionary accomplishments of the Catholic Church in all parts of the world were inspiringly portrayed in the gymnasium in a series of exhibits arranged by fifty missionary orders. Despite the intense heat of that week—the temperature climbed above 90 for eight straight days—thousands saw the exhibits.

At the convention the Brothers of Holy Cross sponsored two booths in the Exhibition Hall along with some eighty other missionary units. Highlighting the display were two maps, illuminated with blinking lights, designating the home and foreign missions of the Brothers' Society. There were four counters of photographs of home missions and scenes and souvenirs from the missions in the diocese of Dacca in India. A fifteen-foot-high red-domed tower illuminated by colored lights shining through spun glass brightened the center of the exhibit. The tower enclosed a statuette, resting on a semi-globe relief map of India, of a Holy Cross

Brother teaching a Moslem boy.

The statuette was made by Brother Eagan Hunter of Monsignor Coyle High School, Taunton, Massachusetts. Brother Gonzaga Day of Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio, helped with the arrangement of the display. Six Student Brothers from Dujarie Hall at Notre Dame, Brothers Peter Vukamic, Regius Gendron, Just Paczesny, Aubert Harrigan, Richard Cunningham and James Madigan worked all summer on the preliminary preparations. The last four Brothers gave five days of their camp vacation at Bankson Lake, Lawton, Michigan, to set up the display and manage the exhibit during the Convention. Brothers Matthew Gara, Felix Schoen, and Eligius Ruscik, veterans of many years in the Indian mission fields, were on hand to answer questions and give information to the convention delegates.

Brothers on N.D. Summer School Faculty

Members of the faculty of the Summer School Staff at the University of Notre Dame included Brother Columba Curran, Department of Chemistry; Brother Adelbert Mrowca, Department of Physics; Brother Kieran Ryan, College of Commerce; and in the Department of Education: Brothers William Mang, Stephen Titzer, Majella Hegarty, Francis Borgia Woehler, Paulus McGory, Remigius Bullinger, Elmo Bransby, Eric Landers and Kenan Judge.

Holy Cross Brothers

The Brothers of Holy Cross, originally called the Brothers of Saint Joseph, were founded in France in 1820 by the Very Reverend James Francis Dujarie. In 1837, the Reverend Basil Moreau associated these Brothers with a society of Auxiliary Priests which he had founded several years previous. Thus was formed what is today the Congregation of Holy Cross. The Congregation has two distinct societies, one of priests and one of Brothers. Both societies are governed by one Superior General, a central administration and a common Rule, but each operates independently, having its own Provincials and local superiors.

According to the Holy Cross Rule, the general purpose of the Congregation is "the glory of God and the perfection of its members." To fulfill this end the members are constituted in the religious state by the simple vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Brothers are religious who have chosen to devote their lives to God without the intention of becoming priests.

The special purpose of the Congregation is "the Christian instruction and education of youth through the medium of schools." Today about 460 Brothers of Holy Cross are teaching and engaged in other activities in seventeen dioceses throughout the United States. They conduct St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, and they assist the priests of the Congregation in teaching at the University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, and at Portland University, Portland, Oregon. In the Far West, the Brothers conduct high schools at Long Beach and Sherman Oaks in California; in the South, at New Orleans, Louisiana and Biloxi, Mississippi; in the Middle West, at Indianapolis, Evansville and South Bend, Indiana; Chicago, Illinois; Cleveland, Ohio and Monroe and Macon, Michigan; in the East, at Albany, New York; Taunton, Massachusetts and West Haven, Connecticut. They have two grammar schools in Brooklyn, New York and direct homes for underprivileged boys in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Terre Haute, Indiana; and Spokane, Washington.

The Brothers of Holy Cross also operate two summer camps for boys: Notre Dame Camp at Bankson Lake, Lawton, Michigan; and Holy Cross Villa along the Gulf Coast at Waveland, Mississippi.

Approximately one-third of the Brothers are engaged in work other than teaching. Each contributes his ability to supply the demands of the various institutions operated by the Society for clerical workers and those with the trades and manual skills. At No-

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This Is Our Aim:

With this September issue, the Brothers of Holy Cross are inaugurating what we hope will be an interesting and lively monthly newsette dedicated to the idea of enlarging our circle of friends within and without the community, and making still better friends out of those we already have.

In any great work, unity of action is primary. No one, in these times, works in a vacuum. There is good will on all sides waiting to be given force and direction. We believe our monthly publication can help bring about a strong unity of purpose and a force of action that will help each of us carry the cross of Holy Cross still deeper into the hearts of those with whom we work in the apostolic field.

Perhaps the first questions that come to the reader's mind are: "What can I do? How can I help?" The first answer is: "You can pray." Pray that the work assigned to us by Holy Church will be done generously and well. "Unless the Lord build the house, he labors in vain who builds it." All of us at the outset must be permeated with a zealous spirit and it must be orientated Christward. Prayer, our first request, can be insurance on the success of our work.

Missionaries Prepare For Departure

After a rest of six to twelve months, Brother Felix Schoen and Brother Ligouri Denier are making preparations for their return trip to the mission fields of Dacca, India. Brother Thomas Moore Beere, a novice missionary will accompany them. During the past summer, Brother Thomas More while residing at the seminarians' camp in Oakland, Maryland, studied Bengali, the official language of the mission field, under the tutelage of Brother Bernardine Mosier,

a veteran missionary. Departure for the missions is set for early fall. All four missionaries will teach at the high schools in Bandura or Toomiliah. On occasion during their ten-year sojourn in India, all will be given the opportunity to work in the mission outposts, acting as catechists and medical missionaries.

Jubilarians Honored

"And it shall come to pass . . . that I will pour out My spirit . . . : your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions.—Joel II, 28

Spiritual writers tell us that the whole Christian life may be summed up in two acts: coming to Christ and abiding in Christ. And in our efforts to come to Christ and abide in Him, each of us has his own history, each his own experiences of all that this means. On occasion, in our traveling to Him, Christ pours out His spirit encouraging us toward His way of generous service and peaceful love. Celebration of jubilees are such occasions.

This year our United States Province was singularly blessed. Twenty-five Brothers of Holy Cross celebrated their silver jubilee. Due to circumstances, all of the jubilarians could not celebrate at the same time and place. Each house in which the jubilarians lived had its own observance of the great event. At the Community House, Notre Dame, Brothers Damian, Ignatius, Ernest, Marcellinus, Methodius, Hilary, Jacob, Julian, Stephen and Lewis Bertrand were honored at a banquet attended by the Provincial Council, the superiors in residence and the local confreres. At Sherman Oaks, California, Brothers Philip, Stanislaus, and Luke were similarly honored. The Reverend John O'Connell, C.S.C., chaplain, celebrated High Mass as the climax of the celebration. Out-of-town guests for the jubilee event were Father Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., founder of the Family Rosary Crusade; Father James McDonald, professor of English at the University of Notre Dame, and Brother Venard Gorman, C.S.C., Assistant-General of the Congregation of Holy Cross. The other jubilarians who were honored at their place of residence were Brothers Andrew, Gabriel, Norbert, Fidelis, Frederick, Severin, Ferdinand, Richard, Hyacinth, Neil, Edward and Bonaventure.

Holy Cross Brother Makes Broadcast

Brother Marcus of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, delivered a lecture on organic gardening and "Proper Growth of Foodstuffs" over KNOW at 10:45 on Friday, August 20.

Brother Marcus cited from his own experience and from authorities in related fields the importance of soil care. The subject is universally important, Brother Marcus said, since the health of man and animals is steadily deteriorating. Animal diseases are at an all-time high, which is serious because animal products are used for human food.

Brother Bede Feted At Stadler Reunion

Brother Bede Stadler, a veteran of foreign mission service, has returned home after a sojourn of ten years in India. After spending a few weeks with his community, the Congregation of Holy Cross, Brother was feted at a family reunion held in his honor on Monday, July 5, at Doty Park, Neenah, Wisconsin. Family members from eight cities were represented.

After completing his scholastic studies at the University of Notre Dame in 1938, Brother Bede went directly to India where his first post was headmaster of Holy Cross High School at Bandura. Later he was transferred to other sections of the Dacca diocese, now in East Pakistan; he spent several years at the school in Toomiliah. During his year's furlough the young missionary won't just "vacation." He has been assigned to teach in Reitz Memorial High School at Evansville, Indiana.

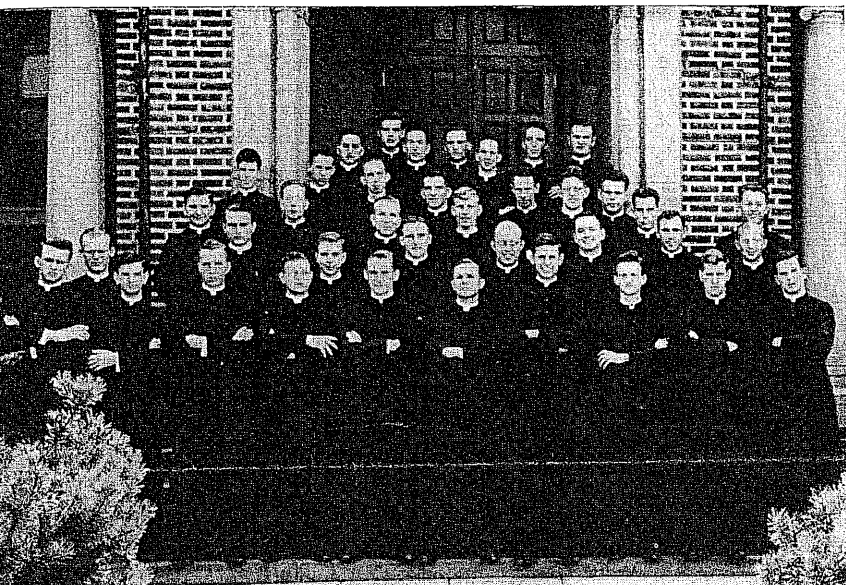
Other missionaries who returned with Brother Bede were Brother Andrew Steffes, Brother Ligouri Denier, and Brother Eligius Ruscik. Brother Andrew, a real veteran of the foreign missions, after spending some weeks with his relatives, sought to augment his present practical arts skill by attending Greer Technical School in Chicago during the summer months. Brother Ligouri and Brother Eligius enjoyed a much needed rest at their homes. All three intend to return to India at some future date.

Brothers Hold Educational Conference

The twenty-third annual Educational Conference of the Brothers of Holy Cross was held during the summer school session on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. There were two organized or planned meetings, but because of shortness of time and the interest shown in the subject matter discussed a third meeting was held a week following the previous two meetings. All presentation of matter as well as the discussion was conducted in the Knights of Columbus Club Rooms in Walsh Hall.

The theme of the conference this year was to discover how the various subjects of the curriculum were taught for effective living. Papers were presented by Brothers Remigius Bullinger, Laurian LaForest, Francis Borgia Woehler, Silvan Mellett and Elmo Bransby. Brother Remigius wrote on "Appreciation Subjects for Effective Living," Brother Laurian, "How the Social Amenities Help Promote Effective Living," Brother Francis Borgia, "Academic Subjects for Effective Living," Brother Silvan, "The Teacher's Part in Recruiting Vocations," Brother Elmo, "Guidance and Effective Living." Brother Kieran Ryan presided over the meeting as president, Brother Albertus Smith as secretary. At the close of the meetings Brother Charles Andersen was elected secretary for the next three years.

Brother Novices



Profession Follows Feast of the Assumption

On August 16, thirty-nine novices who completed their year of novitiate publicly pronounced for one year the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Pronouncing these vows were: Brothers George Tilley, Gerald Fitzgerald, John Chady, Richard Terge, Terence Haas, Francis Stroz, Patrick Walsh, Edmund Janasik, Eugene Cavanaugh, Edwin Kinney, Salvatore Cerrone, Dan Harrington, Charles Hill, Donald Conolly, Irwin Horkheimer, Ernest Turk, Joseph Tate, Francis Coughlin, Joseph Turner, William O'Neil, Patrick Fleming, Charles Arnak, Richard Foley, John Boyle, Gerald Sullivan, John Manning, Michael Jackman, Tom Gilman, Patrick Hart, Peter Goodman, Thomas Cousino, Donald Shirey, Robert Edges, Francis Kern, Robert Fontaine, John Shiff, James Kiniry, John Stout and Paul Maefer.

To their regular religious profession, fourteen of the novices added the fourth vow of the Foreign Missions. Kneeling at the foot of the altar while the priest held the Sacred Host above the ciborium, the novices pronounced their vows before receiving the Eucharist. Later in the day the newly professed were given their first assignments and returned to the novitiate. Of the thirty-nine pronouncing first vows, thirty-one were assigned to Dujarie Hall at Notre Dame, Indiana, to pursue a course of studies preparatory to teaching. Four received the appointment to the western juniorate at Watertown, Wisconsin; one to the eastern juniorate at Valatie, New York; two to St. Joseph Farm, Notre Dame, Indiana; and one to the Holy Cross Foreign Mission Seminary in Washington, D. C.

Sixteen Take Final Vows

On August 16 in Sacred Heart Church on the campus of the University of Notre Dame sixteen Brothers of Holy Cross in a stirring and significant ceremony pronounced

ed their religious vows forever. Rev. Thomas A. Steiner, C.S.C., Provincial of the Priests of Holy Cross, received the vows. Previous to the ceremony the relatives and friends who had come to witness the Brothers' perpetual profession were guests at Dujarie Hall, the House of Studies of the Brothers of Holy Cross. After the ceremony, the Brothers taking final vows left for a two-weeks' vacation at home, after which they departed for their assigned missions throughout the province.

Thirty-nine Candidates Receive Habit

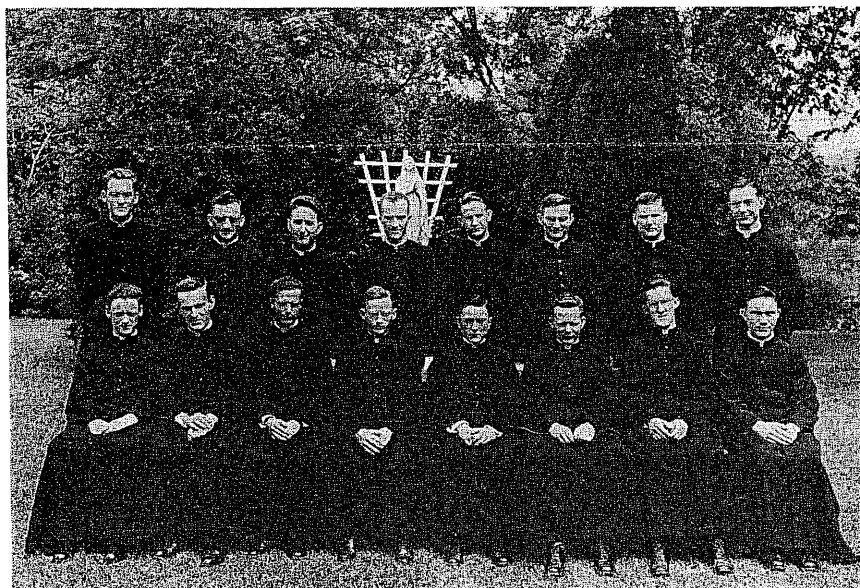
On August 15 at a very impressive ceremony held in Saint Joseph's Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana, twenty-five candidates from Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wisconsin, and fourteen candidates from Saint Joseph of Holy Cross, Valatie, New York, received the habit of the Brothers of Holy Cross. The new novices are the following: Brothers Thaddeus Salkowski, Robert Oligney, Raymond Laginosa, Joseph Kish, Albert Martin, George Stefanik, Joseph Dudek, Robert Hampton, Leo Kowalski, Paul Baronowsky, John Long, Henry Roth, Jerome Feldman, Matthew Dorian, Robert Mosher, Anthony Rodia, Stephen Carter, Robert Reiniche, Ronald Pratt, John Kuhn, James Premont, Bernard Berendsen, Alfred Fiffe, John Brennan, Thomas Nugent, Henry Curran, John Corbin, George Warren, William Babbitt, James Derrig, Richard Apenowich, Raymond Fleck, Walter Foley, James MacTavish, Raymond Bowman, Edward Campbell, Leo Kane, Kenneth Burke and Francis Fitzpatrick.

This first formal step towards the religious life was preceded by an eight-day retreat—a time of silence, prayer and meditation—in preparation for the clothing of the habit, the symbol of the new life in Christ.

Reverend John Conway, C.S.C., was celebrant of the Mass. The resident chaplain of the novices, Reverend George Schidel, C.S.C., gave the sermon and was Master of Ceremonies.

Throughout the day there was general family rejoicing. Many of the candidates enjoyed the visit of their loved ones, while many community members were on hand to welcome the candidates into the ranks of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

Profess Vows for Life



First row, left to right: Brothers Ferrer McHenry, Warren Shea, Donan Johnroe, Melanus Fox, Alvin Ouellette, Elmer Brummer, Kerran Dugan, Raymond Dufresne. Second row, left to right: Brothers Cassian Miller, Ronan Koenigsnecht, Stanley Repucci, Thomas Gallagher, Randolph Austin, Mel Keil, Celestis Mueller, Florentius Schu.

Improvements Made On Foundations

At Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, O.

Gilmour Academy will open its new classroom building of fifteen rooms and three laboratories in September. An increased enrollment will find Gilmour ready to inaugurate its third year with the latest equipment. Work has also been started on the athletic field, which will be used for both interscholastic and intramural activities.

At Community House, Notre Dame, Ind.

Work on the much needed elevator at the Community House is now complete. To the older members of our Community, the pioneers whose labors have built Holy Cross to what it is today, this new convenience is a most welcome improvement.

At Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Ind.

Our very monastic structure at Rolling Prairie, Indiana, has recently been waterproofed at the expense of \$16,500. In addition, Brother Antoninus with the help of the novices has been transplanting evergreens.

At Notre Dame H. S., West Haven, Conn.

The new high school structure will be ready for occupancy, at least in part, at the opening of the fall term. After pioneering for two years, Notre Dame High School is now ready to claim a new and completely equipped senior high school building to take care of its present enrollment of 300 students. Capacity of the new building will be approximately 800 students.

At Waveland, Miss.

During the summer months, the Brothers who during the past year were stationed at New Orleans, Louisiana and Biloxi, Mississippi, have been clearing debris and repairing the damage of last year's hurricane at Waveland Camp, Waveland, Mississippi. Work is progressing so well that hopes for reopening the camp for boys in the summer of 1949 are very high.

At Lawton, Mich.

Through the efforts of Brothers Dominic, Stanley, Flavian, Avila and Frederick, a new building was constructed at Notre Dame Camp, Lawton, Michigan. The addition of the new building now makes it possible for the camp to foster activities every two-week period for over ninety boys. The camp was a huge success this past summer. There were five two-week periods with an average of eighty boys for each period. Enjoying the camp facilities for the summer were a few boys from Mexico. Most, however, came from the Middle West and the metropolitan areas surrounding Chicago, Detroit, Indianapolis and South Bend. Much credit for a prosperous season is due to Brother Dominic, the superior, and his capable staff of twenty-two Brothers, ten of whom were counselors under the direction of Brother Charles, the head counselor who at present is principal of Central Catholic High School, South Bend, Indiana.

At Dujarie Hall, Notre Dame, Ind.

The gym at Dujarie Hall was recently repaired and re-roofed. Preparations are now in process to clean the floor and to make it ready for use in the coming winter basketball and volleyball leagues which have become so popular in the past five years.

New Superiors Are Appointed

When the annual announcement of appointments was made by Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, Provincial, in late June, among other changes was the appointment of new superiors. Brother Charles Andersen replaced Brother Quentin Hegarty at Central Catholic High School, South Bend, Indiana; Brother Alphonso Comeau replaced Brother Octavius Franke at Holy Cross High School, New Orleans, Louisiana; Brother Benedictus Secoy replaced Brother Charles Andersen at Reitz Memorial High School, Evansville, Indiana; Brother Rex Hennel, replaced Brother Hyacinth Sniatecki at Notre Dame High School, Biloxi, Mississippi; Brother Eric Landers, former assistant superior at Vincentian Institute, Albany, New York, replaced Brother Thomas Drea.

At the same convocation, the Provincial announced the opening of a new establishment at Boysville, Macon, Michigan. The new school, which will be conducted for orphans as an academic as well as a trade school, will be staffed by four Brothers. Brother Patrick Cain will be superior and principal; he will be assisted by Brothers Alexander Buckley, Carlos Dolan, and Rene Lenhard.

Juniorates Open With Full Enrollment

The superiors of our two juniorates, Brother Donatus Schmitz, Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wisconsin, and Brother Jarlath O'Brien, St. Joseph of Holy Cross, Valatie, New York, report that the juniorates will open the fall term with near full capacity. At Valatie, the candidates will number about twenty-five; at Watertown, approximately sixty-five.

Holy Cross Brothers

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tre Dame, Brothers work in the office and pressrooms of the Ave Maria Press while others travel as sales representatives for *Ave Maria* magazine. Some are employed at Notre Dame Post Office while others do farm work at nearby Saint Joseph's Farm. At the Community Infirmary Brothers serve as nurses. In other houses of the Community, Brothers work as cooks, stewards, electricians, carpenters, gardeners, bookkeepers, and general maintenance men.

Since 1852, with a few years' intermission, Holy Cross Brothers have been doing missionary work in India. Their field of activity is in the diocese of Dacca in East Pakistan. The Brothers operate two large high schools, one at Dacca and another at Bandhura, and have several primary schools in the surrounding rural districts. Besides teaching, they perform all kinds of charitable services: organizing games, dispensing medicines, catechising, and helping the Holy Cross Fathers. Only those Brothers who volunteer for the Foreign Missions are sent to India but in every group of newly professed Brothers, the number of young religious eager to go to the Foreign Missions far exceeds the number that the Congregation can spare from home.

Convalescents Are Doing Well

Brother Elwin Bores, although still confined to bed, is making steady progress toward recovery. Occasionally Brother Elwin finds time on his hands and is more than willing to listen to whatever any of you might have to say in the way of a letter.

Brother Thomas Gallagher, who recently pronounced his final vows, is now residing at the Brothers' House of Studies, Dujarie Hall, Notre Dame. Brother, after patient waiting, was released about five months ago from the Healthwin Sanitarium and has recovered so miraculously that his doctor has granted him permission to continue his studies.

Brothers Attend Summer Sessions

During the Summer School Session at the University of Notre Dame, fifty-seven Brothers attended the Graduate School while sixty-five were enrolled in the undergraduate department. In addition, one Brother took graduate work at the Catholic University of America; seven, at the University of Texas; seven at the University of California at Los Angeles; three, at Immaculate Heart College, Hollywood, California; two at DePaul University, Chicago; one, at Greer Technical School, Chicago; and five, at the VanderCook School of Music, Chicago.

At the close of the 1948 Summer School Session at the University of Notre Dame, advanced degrees were awarded to the following: Brother Laurian LaForest, Master of Arts degree in Education; Brother Casper Molchan, Master of Arts degree in History. Master of Science degrees were conferred on Brother Regis Regensburger in Biology and Brother Albertus Smith in Chemistry. Master of Science degrees in Education were received by Brother Benedictus Secoy and Brother Roland Driscoll in Education; by Brother Wilbert Leveling and Brother Eamon Schaffer in History; and by Brother Giles Martin in Physics. At the same exercises, Brother Josaphat Chmielewski received the Bachelor of Science degree.

Brother John Baptist Receives Ph.D.

At the June commencement exercises of Fordham University, Brother John Baptist Titzer received his doctor's degree from the School of Education. The title of Brother John Baptist's dissertation was "Some Disciplinary Practices of Catholic High Schools in the United States." At present, Brother John Baptist is principal of Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Connecticut.

OBITUARY

In your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of
 Father of Brother Alexander Buckley
 Father of Brother John Baptist Titzer and
 Brother Stephen Titzer.
 Mother of Brother Romard Barthel
 Father and mother of Brother Flavius Ellison
 Mother and nephew of Brother Cornelius Corcoran
 Sister of Brother Lucas Ritter
 Mother of Brother Luicidus Millenbach.