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Brother Jacob, Superior

novitiate and on the opposite side of St. Mary's Lake." These descriptions are not entirely clear but give an idea of the nomadic nature of the residence for Brothers in the early days.

Finally, with the permanent location of the novitiate on the north-east side of St. Joseph's Lake, the Brothers moved into the vacated building on "The Island." By 1879 a new building was erected, and that building, with some additions and alterations, is today's Community House. Needless to say, the swamps have been filled in, trees and ornamental shrubs have been planted and, as Father Sorin said so many years ago, the site is one of the most beautiful at Notre Dame.

The local Superior of this large house is quiet, hard-working Brother Jacob Eppley. A veteran of the first World War, Brother Jacob taught for many years in the high schools of the Brothers and was Superior of Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wisconsin. Following his term there he was appointed Superior at St. Charles Boys' Home, Milwaukee and enjoyed particularly his work with the special type of boy at that institution. Aside from his work both as a teacher and as an administrator, Brother Jacob is considered an accomplished cellist and, as such, fills a number of engagements every year. He is also a member of the Notre Dame University Symphony.

The Assistant Superior is Brother Sabinus Herbert who also is Plant Superintendent at the Ave Maria Press. More than twenty Brothers are employed at the Press in all the occupations which a modern printing plant requires. A few are on the faculty of the University of Notre Dame and others are employed there in technical capacities.

The faculty of Central Catholic High School of South Bend reside here. The Provincialate of the Brothers of Holy Cross is housed there. It consists of Brothers Ephrem O'Dwyer, William Mang, Chrysostom Schaefer, Nilus Grix and Columba Curran. The Brothers who work at the Notre Dame Post Office live at the Community House, and Dujarie Press, directed by Brother Ernest Ryan, has its headquarters there. To this list of residents may be added Brothers Urban Krownapple, Norbert Bauer, Theogene Merline and Arthur Bouvier, who are retired.

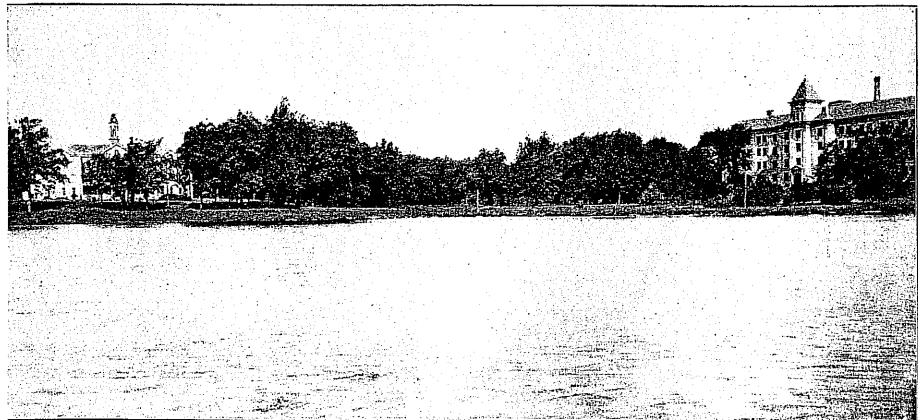
All the work of the house is done by Brothers. The House Staff includes Brothers Anthony Houser, Sylvanus Nichols, Cecil Joseph Ferguson, William Parker, Leander Huen, Edward Courtney, Philbert Cook and Flavius Ellison. Brother Columbanus Murphy, a veteran of many years, is guest-master and librarian. Brother Francis Jerome McConnell directs the tailor shop. Brother Juvian Schwartz is gardener. A complete shoe-repair shop for the Community is operated by Brother Vianney Dillon. Brother Caius Weber is clerk in the Provincial Treasurer's Office which is located in the Community House. Here too are kept the Archives of the Brothers of Holy Cross although the main library at Notre Dame houses some important material. The Archives are the eventual repository of all important documents or papers which the Community accumulates as it does its work. All significant primary source materials both for the Community as a whole and Brothers as individuals are collected and catalogued. They become actually the historical deposit of the Order. Brother Garnier Morin, who succeeded the late, well-known Brother Aidan O'Reilly, is Archivist.

The House on 'The Island'

The Community House, which is the residence for professed Brothers at Notre Dame, Indiana, has, since as a name and an institution it dates back to 1842, many claims to distinction. It is the largest house of perpetually professed in the Congregation of Holy Cross; it is the oldest institution at Notre Dame, figured from the date of foundation; and the religious who live in it follow the most diverse activities of any house in the Order. As a name, too, the Community House is both a traditional and an appropriate one for a residence which houses so many religious of varied occupations but who have a common goal—the glory of God.

The present building itself is a substantial, modestly built, four-story structure and stands on a picturesque eminence between St. Mary's and St. Joseph's Lakes. Because this small hill was in the early days surrounded by the swamp water which united the two lakes, it was called "The Island."

"The Island" was first used, in 1844, as a site for a novitiate for the Brothers of Holy Cross. At that time, the Brothers who were professed lived in a log shanty attached to the first log chapel at Notre Dame. Around 1858, the "Community House" was located "north of the college building." Later, in 1860, it is described as being "east of the



Community House (at right)

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Easter Through Penance

On April 17, the Church celebrates the closing of Lent and its culmination in the greatest feast of the church calendar, that of Easter. Lent is a sort of long retreat starting on Ash Wednesday with the solemn reminder of the transitory nature of the body and ending with the grief of Good Friday and the tense, expectant hours in the tomb. In many ways, the intensity of the joy of our Easter is proportional to the depth of our sacrifice during Lent. During these long weeks, we nurture a spirit of prayer and struggle against self-love and worldliness. We seek to purify ourselves by a closer union with Christ in order to appreciate more keenly the matchless gift of Redemption. The Lenten period of penance, then, by strengthening our concept of the price of Redemption and by purifying our souls, brings into sharper focus the immensity of Christ's sacrifice and the joy that should be ours at Easter time. The increase of Grace merited by our penance makes us more fit receptacles for the Risen Christ who comes to us in Communion on Easter Sunday. It is, then, very befitting all Catholics to partake of the Lenten sacrifices willingly and zealously so that at Easter all can celebrate the glories of the Resurrection which is the pledge of our own.

The Silver Years

Seven Brothers of Holy Cross will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their first religious profession on July 2 of this year. For them, it will mark the completion of twenty-five busy years, sanctified by the Vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience. The whole Community joins in congratulating these Brothers and wishes them many more years of health and contentment in Holy Cross.

Brother Paul Schwoyer was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania. At present he teaches Latin and German at St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, where he also is the

The Cost of Our Formation Houses

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, the maintenance of the Brothers' Juniorate, Novitiate, Scholasticate and Special Studies' Program cost \$91,089.82 over and above applicable income from limited endowment investments. The burden of meeting current formation house expenses is not carried by the net income from schools, as it should be. Auxiliary community activities carry a substantial portion of the expense.

We receive some dividends from a few completed burses of \$5,000 each. Burse money is not spent; it is set up as a permanent investment, the annual earnings of which are used for current expenses in formation houses.

You are cordially invited to help us complete the following burses. New burses are named and started with an initial donation of not less than \$500.00.

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| Holy Cross Brothers Burse | \$1,878.18 |
| Poor Souls Burse | 1,147.12 |
| Brother Daniel Schott Memorial Burse | 3,919.68 |
| Brother Marcian Karsky Memorial Burse | 3,211.50 |
| Brother Raymond Ott Memorial Burse (Ave Maria) | 959.27 |
| Brother Engelbert Leisse Memorial Burse | 1,271.17 |
| Sacred Heart Burse: Brother Columba O'Neill Memorial | 1,198.27 |
| Holy Trinity Burse: Brother George Biadaszkiewicz Memorial | 515.00 |
| Saint Joseph No. 2 Burse | 1,485.14 |
| Our Lady of Seven Dolours Burse | 1,477.09 |
| Father James Dujarie Burse | 1,500.00 |

efficient director of the student theatre and the college band.

Brother Lucian Blersch, who was born in Buffalo, New York, also teaches at St. Edward's University. For many years he has been one of the mainstays of the Physics Department and recently was one of the principals in the organization of the new Engineering Department.

Brother Theodore Kapes came from Hazelton, Pennsylvania. Three years ago he returned to India for his second term as a missionary. He is a member of the faculty of St. Gregory's High School, Dacca, Bengal, East Pakistan. His zeal and energy are proverbial.

Brother Majella Hegarty was born of Irish parents in Scotland. He is a member of the Philosophy Department of St. Edward's University and for many years has been a visiting teacher in the Summer Session at Notre Dame University.

Brother Dositheus Zaloudek comes from New York City and lives at St. Joseph's Farm, Granger, Indiana. He is a man of many occupations, interests and abilities. He is superintendent of the steam plant. He plays the organ for the local parish congregation. He has a large aviary and expatiates on the necessity of flowers and foliage maturing in the proper season to provide the nectar which his bees will convert into delicious, golden honey.

Brother Nilus Grix, born in Detroit, Michigan, is Director of the nationally famous Notre Dame Farm. For the past several years he has been a member of the Zoning Committee of St. Joseph County, Indiana, and, at present, is vice-chairman of that important group.

Brother Jerome Steffes came to the Brothers of Holy Cross from Springfield, Illinois. He is a capable planner and builder and is Director of Maintenance at Holy Cross High School, New Orleans.

Personals

Brother Elwin Bores, c.s.c., and Brother William Buschatz, c.s.c., recently went to St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, to benefit by the healthful climate and to take the needed rest their physical condition demands.

Brothers William Mang, Elmo Bransby, Venard Gorman and Maurus O'Malley will represent the Brothers of Holy Cross at the N.C.E.A. convention to be held in Philadelphia, April 19 to 22.

Brother Venard Gorman, present principal of St. Thomas Aquinas School at Brooklyn, has been named principal of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School in the Bronx. The appointment will become effective in September.

Contributions Received

California: Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks. Illinois: Mrs. Victoria Czerswinski, Cicero; Mr. and Mrs. John Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin, Holy Trinity High School, Chicago. Indiana: Mr. and Mrs. Göttemoller, Mrs. Thomas Concoran, Indianapolis; Mrs. H. Titzer, Mrs. Harold Haering, Mrs. John Brennan, Evansville; Mrs. George Tilley, Mrs. S. F. Beutter, Mr. and Mrs. R. Buschatz, South Bend; Brothers Robert Hedger, Donald Connolly, Gerald Sullivan, Notre Dame. Iowa: Mr. and Mrs. T. Connolly, Sister M. Ambrosia, Council Bluffs. Louisiana: Mr. and Mrs. Pelligrini, New Orleans. Massachusetts: Mrs. Mary Campbell, Mrs. John Harrington, Brother Gerard Fitz, Taunton; Mrs. John Keefe, Malden. Michigan: Mr. Donald McClure, Monroe; Mrs. John Kosarski, Grand Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. W. Hurtubise, Pontiac; Mrs. Thomas Stundon, Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald, Detroit; Sister M. Raymond, o.s.u., Lansing. New Jersey: Mrs. William Parker, Clifton; Mrs. Henry Warren, Princeton. New York: Mrs. Mae Finin, Albany. North Dakota: Mrs. R. C. McLaughlin, Sister M. Louise, Fargo. Ohio: Mrs. W. Fox, Lancaster; Mr. Robert Kierker, Columbus; Mr. Anthony Schaefer, Dayton. Nebraska: Mrs. Stella Proskovic, Omaha. Pennsylvania: Mrs. W. Bransby, Lancaster; Mr. and Mrs. John Ruane, Scranton; Mrs. L. Reisenweber, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bebeton. Texas: St. Edward's University, Austin. Virginia: Mr. and Mrs. Lyddane, Alexandria. Washington: Mrs. Raymond Hexoc, Yakima. Wisconsin: Mr. Donald Rink, Milwaukee; Mr. Frank 'Beet' Racine; Sister M. Rosaire, Kaukauna. Dist. of Columbia: Mr. and Mrs. N. Lyddane, Washington.



Volunteer Cafeteria Staff at New Orleans

TOP LEFT: Mrs. E. Leze, Mrs. S. Vicari, Mrs. J. Poche, Mrs. G. Bunch, Mrs. W. Rolles. TOP RIGHT: Mrs. C. Skinner, Mrs. R. Harper, Mrs. L. Castille, (Mrs. W. Faulkner missing from picture). CENTER: Mrs. L. Drouant, Mrs. E. Montamat, Mrs. O. F. Carey, Mrs. J. Salvaggio, Mrs. W. Deckert, Mrs. P. Fischer. LOWER LEFT: Mrs. Roy Gross, Mrs. F. Vittur, Mrs. J. Schanzbach, Mrs. L. Machado, Mrs. B. Winters, (Mrs. D. St. Romain missing from picture). LOWER RIGHT: Mrs. M. Monie, Mrs. J. Thomann, Mrs. E. Gonzales, Mrs. J. Toomer, (Mrs. A. Emboulas missing from picture).

Holy Cross High School, New Orleans, is both a boarding school and a day school. The faculty and boarders use the regular school dining-hall and have been fortunate in having kitchen and diningroom service taken care of by the devoted Sisters of the Presentation who came from France to assist at Holy Cross in 1903.

Day boys come to Holy Cross from all over the city and enjoy the thirty-acre campus, with all its facilities, during noon hour and after school. For years, Brother Arthur and his successor, Brother Francis de Paul, employing student help, tried to provide even a meager lunch for the majority of the 500 boys whose normal appetites the campus life had still further stimulated. Neither the staff nor the small cafeteria in Saint Benedict Hall could solve the problem. Fortunately Holy Cross was blessed with a most active and loyal Parents' Club. The Mothers in this organization volunteered last October to take turns preparing noon

hour lunches. The cafeteria was enlarged and operations were started. The success has been phenomenal. Roast beef, hamburgers, "poor-boy sandwiches," pie, coffee, milk, ice-cream, and all things that go to make a choice lunch are provided practically at cost.

Twenty-five to thirty mothers give one day each week to the demands of the cafeteria. Rain or shine, they are on the job from 8:30 till 1:30, and they feel sufficiently compensated in observing the smiling satisfaction of the boys they serve. Some of these ladies make a ten-mile journey to do their bit for Holy Cross. Many of the mothers, notably the Monday crew, have no children at the school now, their sons having been graduated from one to five years ago. To the boys' often-heard "Thank you, mam," at the lunch counter, we add here in the name of all Holy Cross Brothers, "Thank you, ladies. May your cheerful Southern spirit be an inspiration for the Parents' Clubs in all our schools!"

Chicago Discusses Vocations

On the invitation of Brother Reginald, c.s.c., Principal of Holy Trinity High School, a vocations' meeting was held at the new faculty residence, 1110 N. Noble Street, Sunday afternoon, March 20. The chief purpose of the meeting was to expound ways and means of recruiting for the Brotherhood. Brother Jerome, f.s.c., of St. Mel's High School, acted as Chairman, and Brother David Lewis, c.s.c., of Holy Trinity, took over the secretarial work. Brother Eymard, c.s.c., explained the methods of the Holy Cross Brothers; Brother Jerome, f.s.c., those of the Christian Brothers. Brother Bernard, f.s.c., of St. George's High School, spoke on the "Vocation Club in the High School." The procedures of the Brothers of Mary were outlined by the Rev. James Young, s.m., and by Brother John Maier, s.m., both of St. Michael's Central High School. Brother Daniel, c.f.a., of Alexian Brothers' Hospital, reviewed recruitment in his Community. A special treat of the program was a presentation of the recording of the play, "In His Vineyard," written by Brother Franciscus, c.s.c., and previously given over radio station WLEY by Holy Trinity students.

Brothers' Schools Aid Seminaries

Coyle Memorial High School, Taunton, Massachusetts, was opened in September of 1933 with a faculty composed of Brothers of Holy Cross. Since that year, many young men have been graduated and have started successful careers as doctors, lawyers and business men. More unpublicized, but equally important, is the fact that Coyle High School has an exemplary record of vocations to the priesthood and to the religious life.

Since the opening of Coyle, twenty-six young men have been ordained to the secular priesthood and nine to the religious priesthood. Graduates have entered such famous orders as the Jesuits, Franciscans, Sacred Heart Fathers and the Congregation of Holy Cross.

There are, at present, twenty-five young men from Coyle studying for the secular priesthood and eight for the religious priesthood. In addition to the above named orders, we find the Holy Ghost Fathers, Redemptorists and Maryknoll represented.

Especially gratifying to the Brothers of Holy Cross is the fact that twelve former students of Coyle have become Brothers of their Order.

Obituary

- Father of Brother Cyrinus Martin, c.s.c.
- Father of Brother Theophilus Machalinski, c.s.c.
- Father of Brother James Gorman, c.s.c.
- Brother of Brother Linus Voigt, c.s.c.
- Brother Tobias Heider, c.s.c.



Brother Theodore in one of the Bengal Missions

News Bits From India

St. Gregory's High School,
Dacca, Bengal,
March 15, 1949

Dear Brother Ephrem:

Thanks for your letter. I just returned from seeing Brother John at Calcutta. He is much improved but not his old self yet. The deputy Superintendent there is going to America for research work, and he is willing to take Brother John along with him. This man, Doctor Pires, is an excellent Catholic and we shall be most happy if Brother John can travel with him and take the rest he needs in the States.

Brother was in good form when I saw him Saturday and Sunday. He and I went out to the parish priest's house for dinner Sunday. The Jesuits at Ranchi have been wonderful all along. I stayed at the Seminary and they gave me every consideration and showed me their whole set-up at Ranchi: college, high school, study house for languages, cathedral and seminary. They have about 350,000 Catholics in their diocese.

Brothers Lorenzo and James left India March 3 for their long-awaited trip home to the States. They must have written to you. They sailed on the same ship, "S. S. Steel Apprentice," which brought Brother Andrew here from New York a couple of weeks ago. Brother Andrew has dug in again at Bandura, and because of his fine record there for years, he is very popular with the native teachers and all. The students gave him a fine reception when he arrived.

We are keeping things on the go and are hoping for some new U. S. Brothers next fall.

Sincerely yours in Holy Cross,

Brother Jude, c.s.c.,
Religious Superior

The Bengal Spirit

Here are the replies of Brothers Neville Phillips and Peter Nolasco Cleary on being informed that they were destined for India next fall.

CATHEDRAL HIGH SCHOOL
1416 North Meridian Street
Indianapolis 2

March 19, 1949

Dear Brother Ephrem:

I received your letter this past week and was overjoyed with the news it contained. It made me the happiest person in the city of Indianapolis and at the same time, strangely enough, the most frightened and surprised. Thank you very much for this tremendous privilege—my only hope is that I may be worthy of it and may do credit to our community on the missions. The grace of God and lots of effort ought to do the trick.

This year at Cathedral is passing with incredible swiftness and it has been definitely one of the fullest and most interesting years of my life—every moment of it thoroughly enjoyable. Though the task of getting these boys to love Latin and keeping them really interested in it is seemingly a hopeless one, still I have had a great time with them.

Again, Brother, thank you for this great opportunity.

Very respectfully,

Brother Neville, c.s.c.

NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL
Biloxi, Mississippi

March 23, 1949

Dear Brother Ephrem:

It was with a sense of joy that I learned of my appointment to the Bengal Missions. Yet I can not help but think that there are many others that would be of more use than myself in that field. However, I hope that I can live up to the deeds that Almighty

God and the Community expect of me. I hope to be of some use to Him in representing Him among those who have not yet learned of Him.

Sincerely yours in Holy Cross,

Brother Peter Nolasco, c.s.c.

Saint Joseph's Day At Dujarie

March 19, the patronal feastday of the Brothers of Holy Cross was a free day for the young scholastic Brothers, but it was by no means an idle day; no classes but still a busy day. At six in the morning the choir sang the high Mass offered by the chaplain, Father Hagerty, who gave a brief and appropriate sermon on Saint Joseph. At 8:15 they attended the solemn high Mass at Sacred Heart Church offered by Father Steiner, at which Father Grimm touchingly associated the life of Saint Joseph with that of religious.

In the afternoon they lost a lively basketball game by a score of 48-42 to the Moreau seminarians across the lake.

At a six o'clock dinner two invited guests took fifteen minutes each to address the student-Brothers. Brother Ephrem, Provincial, gave one of his usual spirited talks on the vocation of a Brother. He stressed two points in particular: the likeness of the Brothers to Saint Joseph in aiding parents bring up their offspring in the ways of virtue and love of God; the need of Brothers to operate high schools not only for lay leadership in society but for fostering vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. Catholic secondary education will grow more and more dependent on high schools staffed by Brothers.

Father Edward Heston, Procurator General at Rome, now visiting in the United States, gave interesting details about the work being done in furthering the cause for the beatification of the Very Rev. Basil Moreau, founder of the Congregation, and of Brother Andre, the world-renowned Apostle of Saint Joseph of Mount-Royal, Canada. He said that all may look forward to the day when these two Holy Cross heroes will be listed among the canonized saints.

Two Brothers in N.C.E.A. Meet

Brother William Mang, assistant provincial, was chairman of the eleventh annual meeting of the Midwest Secondary School Department of the National Catholic Educational Association, and Brother Charles Anderson, principal of Central Catholic High School, South Bend, was public chairman of the convention. The meeting which was held March 29 in the Palmer House, Chicago, was attended by approximately 700 representatives from Catholic high schools in the twenty states of the North Central Association area.