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Thirty-nine Become Novice-Brothers

Six states, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania and Connecticut, furnished half of the thirty-nine young men who received the habit of the Brothers of Holy Cross in February. The impressive ceremonies, which took place at St. Joseph's Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana, climaxed an eight day retreat and was witnessed by many relatives and friends of the novices as well as visiting priests and religious. For the next year the new Brothers will be engaged in a thorough examination of the religious life, its requirements and its advantages.

The novitiate habit of the Brother of Holy Cross consists of a simple, black, cassock, with roman collar. A cincture, consisting of a thick, black cord around the waist, the tassel ends of which reach the hem of the habit, is added at profession. A large, silver medal bearing

the coat of arms of the Congregation of Holy Cross and an image of St. Joseph and the Child is worn suspended from the neck after perpetual profession.

Personals

Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, C.S.C., Provincial, left the Community House, Notre Dame, Indiana, the first week in February for his official visitation of the houses of the Brothers in the eastern states.

Brothers Wymer Duquette and Ronan Koenigsknecht, of St. Joseph's Farm, Notre Dame, Indiana, spent the latter part of January attending lectures on farm problems at Michigan State College, Lansing, Michigan.

Members of the faculty of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, attended the meeting of the Texas Education Association at Southern Methodist University, Dallas.

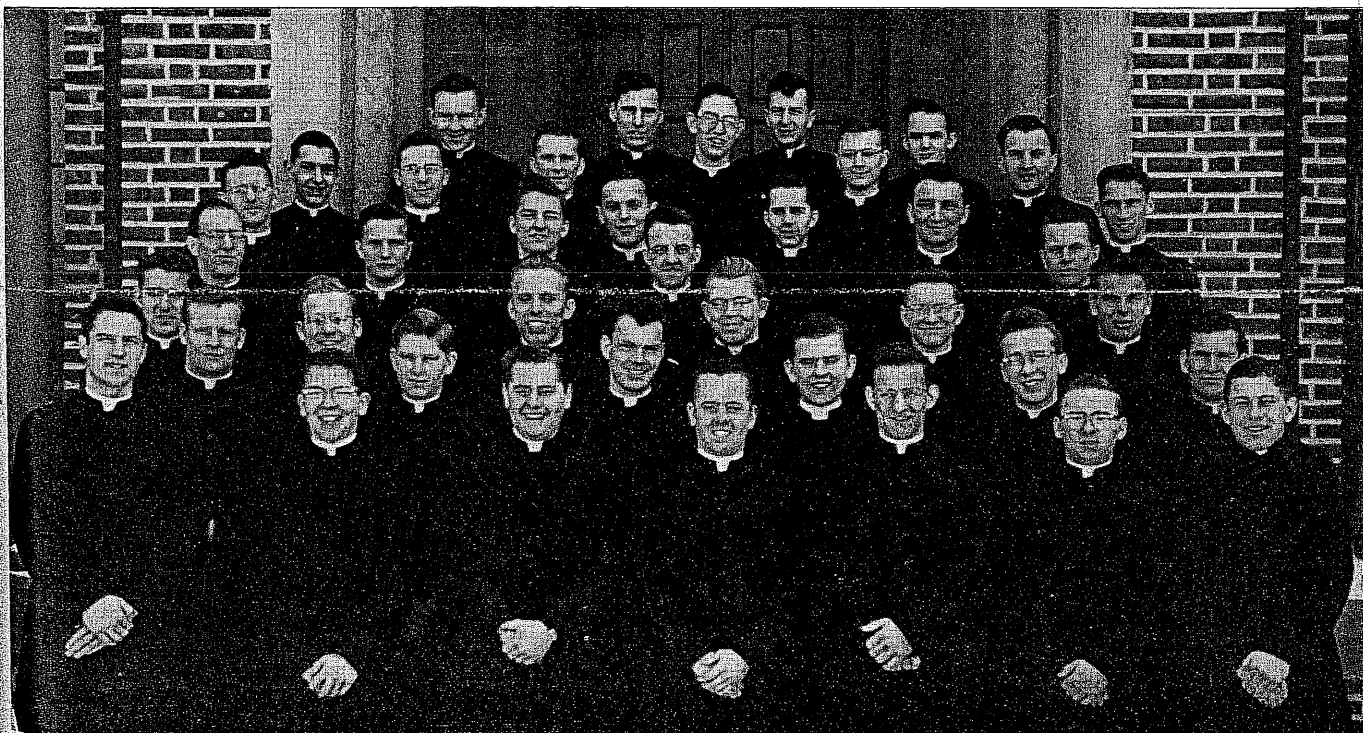
Degrees Awarded

Two Brothers of Holy Cross were awarded their degrees of Master of Arts at the January Commencements of two institutions.

Brother Germain Faddoul, C.S.C., principal of St. Thomas Aquinas, Brooklyn, obtained his Master of Arts degree in English at the University of Notre Dame. His thesis subject was "Shakespeare's Use of the Grotesque in 'Othello' With Reference to Other Plays."

The Master of Arts degree was conferred on Brother Raphael Wilson, C.S.C., dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, at the mid-year Convocation of the University of Texas.

Brother Raphael's thesis, "Counseling Pre-medical Students Concerning Their Selection of Courses", was done under the direction of the departments of educational psychology and bacteriology, in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Texas.



This group of Novices took the habit of the Holy Cross, February 1. FIRST ROW, left to right: Brothers Robert Dierker, Thomas Clark, Gerald Suddick, Robert Brown, James Waldman, Joseph Boucher, Jeremiah Sundholm. SECOND ROW: Brothers James Frazer, William Gaseor, Ronald Stinson, John Rowe, Paul Nesbit, Bernard Yost. THIRD ROW: Brothers James Schneider, Donald Ghasin, David Hanlon, Bernard DeRocher, Robert Hamner, Ronald

Hein. FOURTH ROW: Brothers Rene Gaudreau, Raymond Kelly, Leonard Reeson, Daniel Durig, Francis Robinson. FIFTH ROW: Brothers James McDonnell, Jerome Quella, Richard Shea, Albert Del Piero, William Kleyenberg. SIXTH ROW: Brothers Donald Becker, Bernard Klim, Arthur Booth, Bernard Donahoe, Joseph Hehn, Tadeus Las. SEVENTH ROW: Brothers William Fitch, David Waltman, Leonard Francis, John Nowak.

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The Question of Sacrifice

It is probably true that when most young men think of a vocation to the religious life, they simultaneously think of sacrifice. It might be that the idea of sacrifice is not entirely clear; only the more or less hazy mental assurance that entering the religious life entails the giving up of a number of things—some of them perhaps quite dear to the owner. But the young American who is generous enough to mull over the idea of entering religion is the same young man who is generally quite honest and sincere and who, when confronted with the reality which would naturally follow his resolution, is most willing to give up what is required—and then some. It is only the minority whose idea of life in religion is dominated by the picture of themselves, wrapped in the folds of a white wool habit, pacing the cool, quiet, Romanesque corridors of a secluded monastery, all the while enjoying direct communication with the saints. The practical mind of the average youth knows that talking with the canonized is rare, and that to reach the multitudes who need Christianity, most pacing should be done on Main Street. He knows that any number of his creature comforts have to be sacrificed and that his judgment will have to be subordinated many times to that of some one else. He knows that his social life will be curtailed, in fact, that it will be practically non-existent. But the idea of selflessness triumphs over that of the pursuit of worldly gain. The moving beauty of the exercise of Christian Charity comes into focus, and he becomes compassionate for those who suffer. The young American with a religious vocation is not afraid of what he might have to give up, but, rather, he is more often humiliated by his modest power to carry out the Will of God.

Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, C.S.C., Provincial, announced the following mid-year assignments:

Brothers Marco Daly, John Stundon and Stefan Clarke resumed studies at the University of Notre Dame; Brothers James Linscott, Joseph Ruane and Henry Roth at St. Edward's University; Brothers Richard Hartling and Donald Rink at St. John's University, New York.

Brothers Francis Englert and Francis Johnson were assigned to Gilmour Academy.

Brothers Mel Keil, Randolph Austin and Nicholas Ochs are to teach at St. Edward's University.

Brothers John Joseph Donnelly and Basil Thomas joined the faculty of Notre Dame High School, West Haven, Connecticut.

Brother Viator Grzeskowiak was assigned to St. Charles Boys' Home, Milwaukee; Brother Isadore Otter to Boysville, Clinton, Michigan; Brother Lawrence Dugan to Central Catholic, South Bend, Indiana; Brother John Haggerty to the Foreign Mission Society, Washington, D.C.; Brother Michael Jackman to Dujarie Hall; Brother Cormac Walsh to the Provincial Treasurer's office; Brother William Parker to the Notre Dame Post Office; Brother Sixtus Perzynski to the Notre Dame Farm; Brother Arthur Bouvier to the University of Portland, Oregon.

St. Edward's Announces Scholarships

Thirty-three Catholic High School boys will be awarded scholarships to St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, in the next few months under the new Scholarship Foundation set up at that institution. The most valuable of the scholarships amounts to four thousand dollars. There are others of three and two thousand, and thirty with a value of one thousand dollars each.

In announcing the plan, Brother Kieran Ryan, C.S.C., vice-president of St. Edward's and Administrator of the Foundation, said:

"All scholarships are distributed over a four-year college program and are contingent upon the maintenance of satisfactory work by the student.

"To participate in the Scholarship Plan, high schools must register not later than March 31, 1951, by submitting the names of from one to three students ranking in the upper fourth of the graduating class who might be interested in winning a scholarship to St. Edward's University. The scholarship examinations will be given in April by the

New Assignments

Brothers Florian Gill and Walter Davenport joined the faculty at St. Joseph's Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana.

Brothers Lionel Perreault, Stephan Carter, Richard Huber, Dennis McIntyre and Joseph Clark are new members of the staff at St. Joseph's Farm, Notre Dame.

Ave Maria Press, Notre Dame, was assigned the following: Brothers Henry Grenier, Eugene Tuma and Gilbert Keyler.

Brothers Karl Auchter and Donald Dishneau took up duties at St. Joseph's Juniorate, Valatie, New York.

Holy Trinity High School, Chicago, had Brothers Benignus Beutter, John Bylanek and Dominic Petrucci added to its faculty.

Brothers Pascal Tomaszewski, Richard Sitar, Raymond Fleck and Joseph Turner were assigned to Cathedral High School, Indianapolis.

New to the faculty at Catholic Central, Monroe, Michigan are Brothers Richard MacDonald and Patrick Hart.

Brother Joseph Beursmeyer was assigned to Vincentian Institute, Albany; Brothers Paul Schaefer and Ralph Legath to Mount Carmel School, Bronx; Brother William Babbitt to St. Thomas Aquinas School and Brother Theodore LaTour to St. Francis of Assisi School, these latter two are in Brooklyn.

principal or person appointed by the principal of the high school.

"The opportunity to participate in this plan will be presented to Catholic high schools in Texas and other parts of the country, and to all Holy Cross schools, and will afford an incentive for outstanding students to start work at St. Edward's University during 1951. The military situation may affect the plan somewhat, but since better students, it is expected, will be allowed to go to college, the Foundation Plan will not have to be varied much."

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Write for "General Bulletin"

BROTHER SIMON SCRIBNER, C.S.C., PH.D.,
Registrar.

"Scholastic" Salutes Scholasticate

A long article in the February 9 issue of the *Notre Dame Scholastic* explained, in an effective way to the average student, the vocation of the Brother, and how he spends the day at the Scholasticate of the Brothers at Notre Dame.

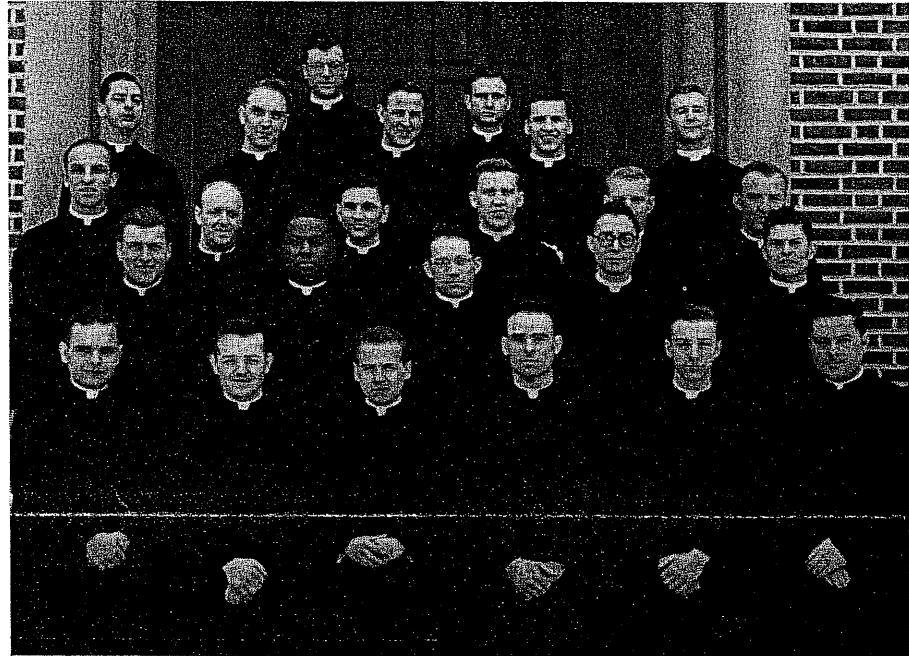
The write-up says in part:

"Since the early days of the Church there have been groups of men who have served God in a distinctive vocation, that of being religious Brothers. Brothers are men consecrated to God in the religious state, men who give themselves to communities to live a life of poverty, chastity, and obedience. They are not priests nor do they intend to become such. Just as a priest is confirmed in his vocation in the sacrament of Holy Orders, so a Brother consecrates his life in the profession of the three religious vows. Brothers do not perform the duties of priests; they do not say Mass or administer the Sacraments. The Brothers of Holy Cross teach in elementary and secondary schools and in universities; do clerical work or practise the trades in which they are skilled.

"Before a young man enters the Congregation of Holy Cross with the intention of becoming a Brother he must fill out a Community questionnaire, the purpose of which is to gather evidence concerning his physical, mental and spiritual background. If a candidate is accepted he is asked to enter a Juniorate. Here he will be introduced for the first time to the life of a Holy Cross Brother. The Juniorate gives preliminary training for the Novitiate. A candidate is offered many opportunities to judge for himself his own fitness for the religious life. He follows a regular schedule outlined by the Brothers who look after him in recreation, studies, and work.

"The next step after the Juniorate is the entrance to the Novitiate, where the candidate becomes a Novice and is given the name of Brother. Clothed in the habit of a Brother of Holy Cross, the Novice begins his period of novitiate training of one year. During this time the Novice is given an intensive training in the religious life. The whole program of the novitiate is designed to aid the young man to form or re-form his attitudes, ideas, and habits; and especially to acquaint him with the obligations, duties, and rights of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

"After a year in the Novitiate he makes temporary vows and leaves that institution for another house of the Congregation. Those destined for teaching are assigned either to the University of



Temporary profession of vows was made by these young men at St. Joseph's Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana. FIRST ROW, left to right: Brothers John Ryan, Charles Rymarowicz, William Smith, Joseph Kerr, Joseph Henderson, Lewis James. SECOND ROW: Brothers Simon Murren, Bernard Howard, Robert Ludwig, Robert Woodward, Robert Porter. THIRD ROW: Brothers John Dobrogowski, Albert Babeu, Joseph Otto, Thomas McCormick, Julius Wadekamper, Joseph Torpy. FOURTH ROW: Brothers Albert Rimlinger, Ralph Kuder, Daniel Redmond, John Hart, John Gaffney. FIFTH ROW: Brothers Hugh Wray, Charles Krupp.

Notre Dame or to St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas. Each Brother is required to follow a religious and educational program leading to an academic degree. This degree may be earned in Arts and Letters or in Science or in Commerce, depending primarily on the interests and abilities of the Brother and the type of teacher's certificate to be obtained."

The article continues with an explanation of how the hours of a typical day are used by the student Brother in order to keep the house in efficient operation and at the same time allow him to fulfill the daily academic requirements of the University.

It goes on to say:

"Dujarie boasts what is considered by many the finest reference library of any of the constituent houses at Notre Dame. Its 7,500 volumes serve as an adequate facility in caring for the normal outside reading of most of the courses, thus enabling the Brothers to do a great deal of their work at home rather than at the Main Library. At the present time the library is enlarging its periodical section to aid all the student Brothers in their various teaching fields.

"The student Brothers of Dujarie Hall are under the direction and supervision of Brother Bonaventure Foley, C.S.C., recently appointed member of the Provincial Council for the Brothers of Holy Cross. Brother Bonaventure has had

many years of experience in teaching and in administrative affairs. His assistant is Brother Pedro Haering, C.S.C., who teaches at Central Catholic High School, South Bend. It is their duty as well as that of the Chaplain to train the young scholastic Brothers of Dujarie Scholasticate in those virtues and accomplishments which will make them Christian gentlemen and efficient leaders of youth."

The "Scholastic" enlisted Brothers Harold Miller and Theodore Oliveira, Dujarie residents, to prepare the piece.

More Help Wanted

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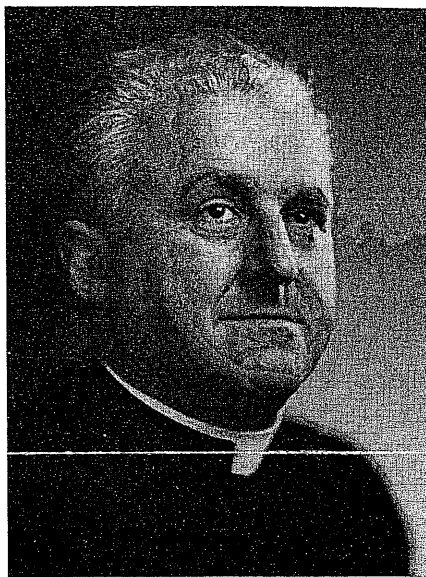
Brothers At Work—2

THE HIGHER LEARNING

Brother Godfrey Vassallo, C.S.C., head of the Physics Department, University of Portland, Oregon, is a good example of the Brother of Holy Cross at work on the college level. He is informed and thorough in his work, admired by his students, and finds time for extra-curriculars at school and for many lectures to groups off-campus.

Born in Halifax, Nova Scotia in 1893, Brother Godfrey came to Notre Dame to enter the Brothers in 1910. By 1921, he had finished high school, made his novitiate and earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Loyola University in New Orleans. By 1927, when the University of Notre Dame conferred the Master of Science degree on him, he had taught in the Brothers' schools in Indianapolis and New Orleans. In 1929, he was sent to the University of Portland, then called Columbia, and he started his career in the work he loves. Four years later he was made head of the Physics Department at Portland and he has held that position for the last eighteen years. During World War II, Brother Godfrey took on the difficult task of Coordinator of Portland's War Training Service and carried out the almost impossible by acting as head of the two flying schools operated by the University, one at Sunnyside, Washington, and the other at Madras, Oregon, besides carrying on his school work. The job was done unusually well.

At present, Brother Godfrey spends most of his time administering his



Brother Godfrey Vassallo, C.S.C.

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department and teaching such subjects as Theoretical Mechanics, Physics of Meteorology, Physics of Radiology, Advanced Heat and Advanced Photography. Since his hobbies include photography, electronics, radiology and sound, his classes are never dull. Being one of a family of ten children himself, Brother understands the problems of young men and uses his knowledge to advantage as advisor to different college groups, such as the Intercollegiate Knights, etc. His days are busy ones but he is never too busy to be friendly and helpful.

Personals

Brother Laurian LaForest, C.S.C., member of the faculty of Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio, is the author of an article entitled "Hero or Scoundrel" which appears in the February issue of "The Catholic Educator".

Brother Eli Pelchat, C.S.C., secretary to the Civil Service Commission and senior clerk at the Notre Dame Post Office recently completed the revision of the postal information files for all students and faculty at Notre Dame.

The former Superior General, Very Reverend Albert F. Cousineau, C.S.C., was recently appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Cap Haitien, Haiti. Bishop-elect Cousineau will be consecrated in St. Laurent's Church, Montreal, Canada, on March 16.

Benson Elected President

Mr. Rodney Benson of Encino was elected president of the Patrons' Club of Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, California. Mr. Benson has been an active member since its founding some time ago. Other officers are: Mr. John Lowe, Van Nuys, first vice president; Mr. Joseph Crehan, Sherman Oaks, second vice president; Mr. Henry Dockweiler, Los Angeles, secretary; and Mr. John Tappeiner, Sherman Oaks, treasurer. The Club recently sponsored a card party in their fund raising campaign to benefit the new gymnasium.

Obituary

Your prayers are requested for the repose of the souls of the mother of Brother Casper Molchan, C.S.C.; mother of Brother Leo Gallagher, C.S.C.

Appointments Announced

Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, C.S.C., Provincial of the United States Province of the Brothers of Holy Cross announced recently the appointment of Brother Kieran Ryan, C.S.C. as vice president of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas. He also becomes a member of the Board of Trustees.

As vice president, Brother Kieran will administer the new St. Edward's Scholarship Foundation Plan and direct public relations for the University. In addition, his office will coordinate such fields as alumni, publicity, and placement service.

Prior to his new appointment, Brother Kieran was dean of the College of Commerce and member of the Academic Council at St. Edward's University. He is presently National President of the Catholic Business Education Association.

At the same time, Brother Raphael Wilson, C.S.C., was made dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Brother Raphael's appointment follows the combining of the College of Arts and Letters and the College of Science under one dean, effective February 1, 1951.

Brother Raphael has been professor of Bacteriology and Pre-Medical Advisor, and a member of the Academic Council at St. Edward's. Brother Raphael is a native of Trenton, New Jersey, and a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and Texas University. In October, 1949, Texas' Governor Allan Shivers appointed him as a member of the new Texas State Board of Examiners in the Basic Sciences and he has served as secretary of the board since its organization.

Father Lennartz

Reverend William P. Lennartz, C.S.C., only recently appointed chaplain at the Community House, Notre Dame, Indiana, died in St. Joseph's Hospital, South Bend, on February 11, after a long illness. Father had visited the Mayo Clinic last year but they were unable to give him any relief. His unflagging courage kept him "in the harness" until only two or three weeks before he died.

He was very popular as chaplain at Reitz Memorial High School, Evansville. He had an infectious friendliness which inspired the confidence and admiration of all who knew him. Before his chaplaincies he had served as a pastor in churches in South Bend, Indiana and Austin, Texas. He had also taught at Notre Dame. At the time of his death he was 72 years old, having been born at Fort Recovery, Ohio in 1878.