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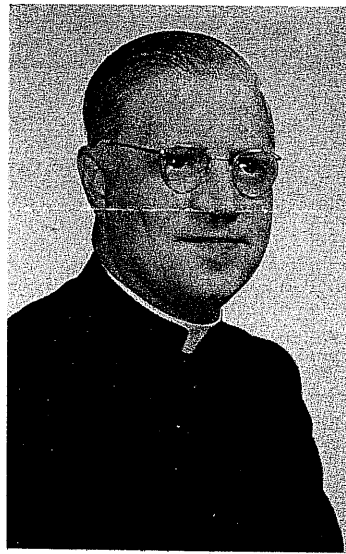
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Vincentian Goes Over the Top

The faculty of Vincentian Institute, Albany, New York, made up of Sisters of Mercy and the Brothers of Holy Cross under the direction of energetic Monsignor Maginn, organized and carried out one of the most successful drives ever put on for the support of the Bengal Missions of the Congregation of Holy Cross. More than \$1,550 was run up on the register—a real accomplishment for the willing students and teachers at Vincentian. The Brothers of Holy Cross, especially those at work in East Pakistan, are deeply appreciative of this generous gift from the famous Albany school.



Brother Richard Grejczyk, C. S. C.

St. Charles Gets New Dorm

April was a happy month for the faculty and students of St. Charles Boys' Home, Milwaukee, because it marked the formal beginning of construction work on the new dormitory for the boys. During the afternoon of the fifth, His Excellency, Archbishop Moses E. Kiley, S. T. D., led the group of onlookers to the plot of ground where the building will be constructed and with a glistening new shovel, broke the ground. In a short talk, the Archbishop told the audience that the new building would give the very best housing to sixty boys and he thanked the Brothers for their past work in the face of inadequate facilities. He felt sure that the new building would help immeasurably in assisting "boys with problems" to help themselves.

Besides dormitory space, there will be recreation and reception rooms, dining halls for both boys and faculty, and a chapel.

Guests included Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, c. s. c., Provincial; Brother Francis Borgia Woehler, c. s. c., Superior of Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wisconsin; Brother Simeon Cosello, c. s. c., formerly Superior at St. Charles; Rev. Andrew Schreyer, c. s. c.,

Four Will Sail

Brother Ephrem O'Dwyer, c. s. c., Provincial, recently announced that Brothers Richard Grejczyk, Genard Greene, Paul Schaefer and James Walter would be the faculty of the new school which the Brothers of Holy Cross have acquired in Santarem, Brazil. They will be given time this summer to prepare for the journey.

Brother Richard, who will be director, was born in Chicago in 1904 and finished his grade school work at Holy Trinity during the time that the Broth-

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Chaplain at the Juniorate; Rev. Joseph Emmenegger, Vice Chancellor of the Archdiocese, and Rev. William Knoernschild.

Other welcome guests were Mr. Mark Pfaller, architect; Mrs. William Knoernschild, president of the Women's Unit of St. Charles, and Mr. J. Brennan, plumbing contractor, who like the others is a benefactor of the school.

Brother Lawrence Miller, c. s. c., is Superior at St. Charles. He is assisted by nine Brothers of Holy Cross, and a priest of Holy Cross is chaplain.

Summer Schools Listed

Three of the Brothers' High Schools will hold summer sessions for the convenience of students who desire to make up work or who want to complete their studies in preparation for college in the fall.

Holy Trinity High School, Chicago, will have a faculty of ten Brothers under the direction of Brother Reginald Juszcak, c. s. c.; Notre Dame High School of West Haven, Connecticut, will have Brother Donatus Schmitz, c. s. c., as superior and a faculty of ten. Brother Rupert Poudrier, c. s. c., principal and superior at Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, California, anticipates about the same number of Brothers for the faculty which will teach at the summer session there. Each of the schools is scheduled to run twelve weeks.

Personals

Brother Patrick Fleming, c. s. c., recently joined the faculty of Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, California.

Brother Kerran Dugan, c. s. c., who teaches at Holy Trinity High School, continues his admirable journalistic work by an article in the May issue of "Today." It is called "Leaven On Skid Row."

The next issue of the "Brothers of Holy Cross" will appear October first.

Brother Liguori Denier, c. s. c., who teaches at St. Gregory's High School, Dacca, East Pakistan, writes that his students won essay and debating honors for the district recently. He also tells about a former student at St. Gregory's who won a scholarship to Manchester University, Cheshire, England. Brother Liguori is one of twenty-two Brothers of Holy Cross doing missionary work in East Pakistan.

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May and the Mother of God

It is almost a mystery to nearly all non-Catholics why Roman Catholics honor Mary the way they do. Yet it seems to Catholics that the love and respect they have for the Blessed Virgin is a most natural and noble thing. We know that a mother gives us life and then sustains us in it in her own natural way. In other words, she, with supernatural help, initiates a life, then keeps bringing it more life by feeding, clothing and educating it. She refines the growing individual by instilling charity, prudence and a hundred other attributes. She nurtures trust, gives joy, and shows us the value of humility. There is no other person on earth who can claim the same relationship that a mother can claim for her child. She is completely unique as the mother of her child.

What then about the Mother of Jesus? We believe that He was Divine; that he was the Son of God come to earth for the purpose of Redemptor. He came into the world by being born of a woman who is known to us as Mary. All this being true, how can anyone discount the exalted dignity of the pure Heart which gave Him His earthly body? Or even more mysterious, how can one doubt that the Son of God would feel toward His mother an even more transcendent love than any ordinary man could have for his? He knew in minutest detail the hundreds of sacrifices she made for Him during the years of His youth. He knew the great sinlessness of her life.

Man stops at nothing where his mother is concerned. Can any less be thought of the Son of God?

A wise Church dedicates May to God's

Commentator Lauds Gilmour

Mr. John B. Kennedy, world famous journalist and radio commentator, recently paid a visit to Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio. Mr. Kennedy, as last year's commencement speaker, was impressed with the school, and came back this year as a friend who wanted to see the Academy's physical plant as well as the faculty and students at work. While there he wrote a column for the *Cleveland News'* Ed Bang, and in it he said some fine things about Gilmour. Among them, he observed:

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To cut corners to my point, the very best preparatory school I've ever seen is Gilmour Academy on the slanting terrain of Gates Mills. There the Brothers of Holy Cross from Notre Dame have taken the stately Drury manor and made of it a home for education that must do the Drury soul some good.

I spent two weeks at Gilmour and during that two weeks heard not one word that caused the portrait of the pioneer Bishop of Cleveland to frown, let alone blush. That can be taken as testimony to the decency of the regimen, although I prefer to regard it as the confluent influence of religion and natural dignity.

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Physically, Gilmour Academy is as perfect as any school can be, for the domestic atmosphere pervades. The boys are housed and fed as well as any American standard can bestow, and that is the highest standard on earth. They are discreetly disciplined in a religious environment imbibed but not imposed. I've lodged at schools, Catholic schools, too, where the visitor had to wear a trench helmet at night to retard missiles in flight. But the most incisive impression from Gilmour is of order, which is God's and Nature's first law.

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The spirit of Gilmour is evidenced by the cohesion and co-operation of the Men's and Women's clubs, the fathers and mothers who develop through their sons parentage of the school itself. I have never met finer men and women.

And in order that the welcome I reluctantly forewent may some day be re-

mother. Catholics rejoice in this recognition of the Blessed Virgin because it glorifies her and by projection it does the same for all motherhood.

newed, let me mention the good and true men who train these boys with Brother Theophane and Brother Loyola and the ubiquitous and sedately piratical Brother Martin, who is a terror in the public marts whence he provides the school. The chaplain is Father Ste. Marie and the Brothers are Ivo, Hyacinth, Albertus, Laurian, Donard, Wendel, Vincencius, Thomas, John Lavelle, Robert, Francis Johnson, Francis Englert, Humbert—Saxon and Celt and Teuton, Pole and Slav and Gaul and of course, the inevitable splash of Scotch. Ora pro Nobis, not overlooking the diligent ladies of the kitchen and room care.

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The Brothers of Holy Cross at Gilmour and elsewhere are grateful to Mr. Kennedy for his kindness and look forward to his next visit.

Two Receive Doctorates

At the June commencement at the University of Notre Dame, Brother Dominic Elder, c. s. c., Novice Master at St. Joseph's Novitiate, Rolling Prairie, Indiana, will receive the degree Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science. Brother's thesis on Thomas Paine's philosophy of the common man will be published in the fall.

The University of Texas will confer the Doctorate on Brother Romard Barthel, c. s. c., member of the faculty of St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas. Brother's major field is physics.

Brother Finbarr Buckley, c. s. c., is the author of an interesting article on Matt Talbot which appeared in the March, 1951, issue of "Current Religious Thought." This periodical is printed at Oberlin, Ohio, by an interfaith group.

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Brother Genard Greene, C. S. C.

FOUR WILL SAIL

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ers taught both in the grammar and high school. He entered Sacred Heart Juniorate, Watertown, Wisconsin, and then made his novitiate at Notre Dame in the old St. Joseph's Novitiate, now the Community Infirmary. He was a member of the last group to make a two year novitiate, and made his first profession in 1922. He also completed his high school work at Notre Dame. In this instance, too, he was a member of the last high school class to graduate from Notre Dame.

He was graduated from the University in Science in 1931 and received his Master of Science in Education in 1947. His twenty-seven years as a teacher have been passed in a number of schools; part of the time having been spent as a Superior in Cathedral High School, Indianapolis, and Monsignor Coyle High School, Taunton, Massachusetts. At present he is director of studies at Notre Dame High School, Sherman Oaks, California.

Brother Richard, who made final profession in 1926, is one of a family of nine children and his cousin, Father Stanislaus Lisewski, C. S. C., is pastor at Holy Trinity, Chicago.

Brother Genard Greene was born at Bath, New York, in 1921. He is one of six boys, being as he says—"the youngest of the three oldest." When he was eleven years old, the family moved to California just in time for the great

earthquake in March, 1932. They were not at all sure their move was a wise one.

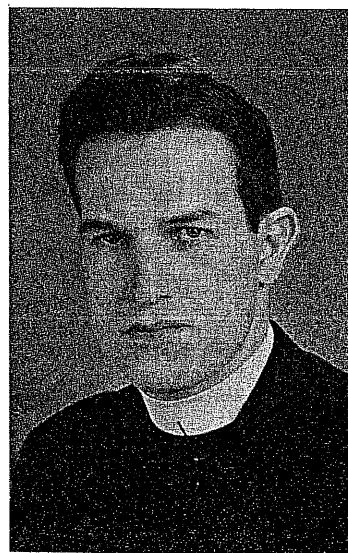
Brother finished high school and began his college work at the University of California at Los Angeles before he came to Sacred Heart Juniorate at Watertown in 1941. He completed his novitiate at St. Joseph's, Rolling Prairie, Indiana, and made his first profession of vows in 1943.

Immediately after, Brother Genard completed his college work at the University of Notre Dame with music as a major, and was assigned to teach at St. Joseph's Juniorate, Valatie, New York. After final profession in 1946, Brother was assigned to St. Anthony High School, Long Beach, and he has spent the last five years there.

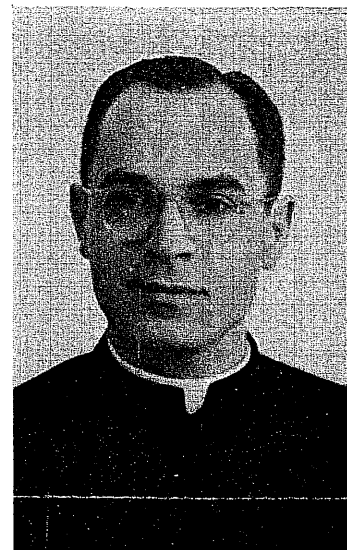
His mother and father operate an avocado ranch at Downey, California. four of his brothers were in World War II and his youngest brother is presently in the Air Corps.

Brother Paul Schaefer, born at Dayton, Ohio, in 1918, completed his grammar school work at Emmanuel School and his high school at Chaminade. He made the eight years of grammar school in seven, but apparently the intimacy with books had cooled a little because it took the full four for high school.

Brother Paul, after working for a short time, entered the University of Dayton. In 1941, he enlisted as a private in the Air Corps at Patterson Field, Ohio. After Pearl Harbor, he was sent to Officers' School. He then served



Brother James Walter, C. S. C.



Brother Paul Schaefer, C. S. C.

two and a half years in India and attained the rank of Captain.

After release from the Army, Brother Paul attended the University of Notre Dame. Within a year, he applied for admission into the Brothers and made his first profession in 1948. Upon completing his work for the Bachelor's Degree, he went to teach at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Bronx, New York.

Brother James Walter was born at Clinton, Indiana, in 1927 and completed high school at St. Mary's. He is one of a family of three boys and three girls, and exactly one half of them became religious. Two of the girls are Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. They are Sister Regina Mercedes and Sister Mary Victor and they teach in Detroit.

Brother James entered St. Joseph's, Rolling Prairie, Indiana, and made his first profession in 1947. Immediately after, he entered the University of Notre Dame. He was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree and assigned to teach at Cathedral High School, Indianapolis.

Brother James is a lover of all sports, especially wrestling, and if the boys of Ginasio Dom Amando do not already know the art of the grunt and groan, they soon will.

The Brothers of Holy Cross at Holy Trinity High School were the recipients of a beautiful scroll, awarded by the Polish Arts Club of Chicago, in recognition of their work in that city.

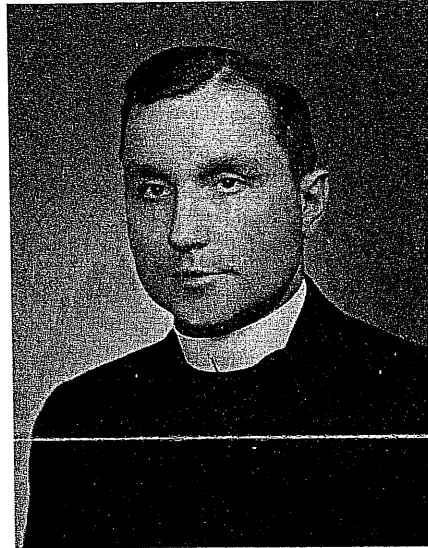
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Assistant To Nature

It can be said that Brother Gilbert Scher, C. S. C., director of the farm at Gibault School for Boys, Terre Haute, Indiana, spent the whole of his life preparing for his present work. He was born to farmers John and Elizabeth Scher in 1916 near Huntington, Indiana, and from the time that he was big enough to weed the radishes and onions, his training has been pointed toward making a resourceful farmer out of him. His mentors have succeeded nobly.

After some farming in Montana the Scher family of five children and their parents settled in Wisconsin. There the rich soil yielded a fine opportunity to learn diversified farming and the use of many types of farm machinery. Young Raymond went to grade school at St. Bernard's School in Watertown. Later on, having formulated in his mind that he wanted to live the life of a religious, he entered Sacred Heart Juniorate at Watertown, and finished high school. He entered St. Joseph's Novitiate at Rolling Prairie, Indiana, and having been clothed in the habit of the Brothers of Holy Cross, took the name of Brother Gilbert. He made his perpetual profession of vows in 1940.

Late in 1939, Brother Gilbert was sent to Gibault School to help on the farm. After some study, he became convinced that the two hundred acres used by the school should be more than sufficient to provide for the needs of his fifty head of cattle and at least that many hogs. Immediately he began a program of soil rebuilding with the result that today, after having directed the farm for some six of the last eleven years, his yields of corn and other grains are consistently higher than the average of the Wabash Valley farms. Concomitantly, the



Brother Gilbert Scher, C. S. C.
"He that soweth the good seed."

board of directors of the Knights of Columbus of Indiana, sponsors of the Gibault School, have agreed to the purchase each year of some new piece of labor saving equipment, and to construct as well an imposing array of farm buildings, including a new barn and silo, implement building, stock and feed barn and a new chicken house.

Since Gibault School provides a home for boys with problems, the population remains quite steadily in the neighborhood of 130. Thus, the farm must provide milk, meat and eggs for these hungry, teen-age boys the year around. Brother Gilbert has done this, with the aid of his youthful assistants, in an exemplary manner. Although still a young man, the usually quiet, mild-mannered Brother has accomplished a great deal.

Biloxi Proposes New School

On April 15, under the executive chairmanship of Monsignor Geoffrey T. O'Connell, the Catholic citizens of Biloxi, Mississippi, and their friends, opened a campaign for funds in order to finance the building of a new Notre Dame Junior-Senior High School. Mr. Joseph P. Baricev is General Chairman.

The attractive new building will be constructed on the Dolphin Hills property which was acquired in 1947. Already a faculty house for Brothers, a gymnasium, a youth center, and a small chapel have been built. The new high school and athletic fields will share oc-

cupancy of the fifteen acre Dolphin Hills tract.

The Brothers of Holy Cross first began to teach at Notre Dame High School, Biloxi, in 1943, when Brother Francis Borgia Woehler, C. S. C., as superior, and four other Brothers opened the school in the Dantzler home on West Beach. Since then the enrollment has increased to the point where more property and a larger building is a real necessity. It is hoped that the present campaign will solve the problem.

Brother Rex Hennel, C. S. C., is superior and his faculty consists of Brothers Octavius Franke, Placidus Carroll, Eamon Shaffer, Augustine Shea, Francisco Drury, and Aloysius Tiedt.

Dujarie Press Issues New Titles

Brother Ernest Ryan, C. S. C., Director of Dujarie Press, Notre Dame, Indiana, has announced the publication of three new titles for the fall book market. Brother also announced a third printing of the popular book on St. Christopher called "The Giant Saint." New format and pictures are used for the re-issue.

The three new books should prove popular. One, "Flames Against the Sky," tells the always absorbing story of St. Joan of Arc. "Saint of the Eucharist" will interest many in the heroic life of the somewhat neglected Brother who was known as St. Paschal Baylon. With the third title "Our Lady Comes to Fatima," Brother Ernest is inaugurating what he hopes will be an instructive series on the different apparitions of the Blessed Virgin.

Over the last thirty-two years, Brother has written and published some thirty-four titles and has sold upwards of 125,000 volumes. If conditions which at the present time limit book production improve, Dujarie Press will have at least three more new titles to announce in September.

Scholasticate in Texas Makes News

As a special favor for the Central Texas Organists' Guild, the Scholasticate Choir at St. Edward's University, Austin, Texas, gave a recital of liturgical music in St. Mary's Cathedral, Austin, recently. Brother Raphael Wilson, C. S. C., director of the group, demonstrated the Church's liturgical seasons, especially Easter, by way of the music assigned for the time. The choir also demonstrated Solemn Tone, Ambrosian Chant, a selection from the Eighth Mass, and the Introit from the Requiem Mass. The concert closed with the more popular hymns, *Pange Lingua*, *Ave Verum* and *Ave Maria*. The scholastics sang again in the cathedral on Easter Sunday morning.

In the field of sports, the scholastics won the intra-mural crown in basketball against the other St. Edward's University teams. This is the second consecutive year the Brothers have won the title.

Obituary

Brother of Brother Owen Lynch, C.S.C.; Father of Brother Sigismund Danielski, C.S.C.; Grandfather of Brother Just Paczesny, C.S.C.