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AROUND THE PROVINCE . . .

"Guideboard," a new intrahouse paper at Dujarie Hall made its first appearance in October. Brother Bernard Donohoe edits it. To appear at intervals, the paper serves to stimulate student Brothers' spiritual and intellectual life by calling attention to significant articles in journals and books, present fresh ideas on perennial subjects, and carry occasional items on C.S.C. history.

Another new paper, "The Answer," was inaugurated by Brother Thomas Corcoran, one of the province's vocation recruiters. It contains pieces written by aspirants who a few weeks ago entered the Brothers' juniorate at Watertown, Wisconsin, and are preparing for membership in Holy Cross.

"The Religious and Professionalism," an article by Brother James Moroney, superior of the Brothers' Midwest scho-

lasticate, appears in the fall issue of the Education Bulletin, published by the South-West province. In the same issue Brother Majella Hegarty, Supervisor of Instruction in the Midwest province, presents a list of suggestions and devices for the teaching of religion.

The above-mentioned Brother James is the author of "Mental Health in the Classroom" in the September issue of *Catholic School Journal*. He describes correct teacher attitudes and activities for fostering mental health and for preventing maladjusted behavior.

Brother Anton Mattingly spent the past summer at St. Edward University, Austin, Texas, to assist in the special program there for preparing Latin-American boys to enter American colleges at the conclusion of their tenweek course.

Notable increases in enrollment in province high schools this year are as follows, with the 1962 figure first, last year's figure second:

Archbishop Hoban High, Akron, 1071 - 996; Holy Trinity High, Chicago, 900 - 752; St. Edward High, Lakewood, 1430 - 1400; Holy Cross High, River Grove, 797 - 380.

AID TO MISSIONS STRESSED

In noting students' gifts to the foreign missions Brother John of the Cross said it is the mind of the Church that her entire membership, even the youngest, should participate in mission aid. "The Sacrament of Confirmation," he said, "confers an additional obligation in this matter."

Brother John, who teaches at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, Ohio, sends books in steady supply to the foreign missions. These books come from interested mission-minded people, from library surpluses, and from anyone anywhere who is "mission-minded."

Explaining how students' mission contributions are used, Brother John pointed out that the first portion of the year's receipts for missions from Hoban High boys is sent to the Holy Father, for distribution to the 700 mission districts of the world.

The balance, he said, is sent to the Holy Cross missions, those in charge of Fathers or Brothers of the Congregation of Holy Cross.

Of more than 2,500 C.S.C. Fathers

and Brothers throughout the world, Brother noted, one in eight is a missionary, working in such difficult fields as Pakistan, India, Brazil, Chile, Ghana, Uganda, Liberia, Panama, Puerto Rico, Haiti, and the Mexican missions of southern U.S.A. The schools conducted in mission countries by the Congregation are often the finest, test-wise, the area has. The Community's missionaries dispense not only education and the means of religion, Brother John said, but also food and clothing, as well as medicine, to the needy.

For young Americans who claim "I am needy myself," Brother John has this answer: "Who isn't? Yet the poorest American family seems rich in comparison with those in mission countries."

"Ghana's average family earns \$20 a month, which is the highest standard of living in Africa," Brother said. "A boy in our boarding school in Ghana can be fed for just 7 cents a day. Families in India and Pakistan earn only \$50 to \$60 a year. These are the kind of people we work among in the missions."

Dujarie Hall, Notre Dame

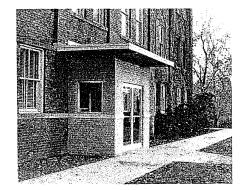
The scholasticate has been improved with four brick and glass entrances and new sidewalks around the building. Plans are in the making for desks and bookcases for Brothers' rooms, new flooring in corridors, and remodeling of the dining room. Costs are being met by the Provincial Administration and the Associates of St. Joseph.

THE FOREIGN MISSIONS: A RECOUNT

Eight Holy Cross Brothers departed for the foreign missions within the past three months: Brother Theophane Schmitt, former Assistant Superior General; Brothers Donald Allen, Austin Maley, and Chester Rachel for a new mission field in Monrovia, Liberia; Brothers William Sheehan and Herbert Perkins (SW province man) for East Pakistan; Brother Gerard Mason for Ghana; and Brother Joseph Kinsman (SW province) for Santarem, Brazil.

The total number of HC Brothers from the U.S. teaching in schools abroad is seventy-two.

With the establishment of St. Patrick High School in Monrovia, Liberia, and St. Joseph Juniorate for native vocations in Sekondi, Ghana — both conducted by the Midwest province — the Brothers conduct fourteen schools in "missionary" countries. Six are in East Pakistan, five in Africa, and three in Brazil.



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St. Charles Boys Home, Milwaukee

A campaign to raise \$475,000 was launched December 1 in hopes of replacing two buildings — one the school, the other for clinical services — and adding a "transition house" for boys about to leave St. Charles or who have no home. The fund drive is the first time the home, which accepts only boys referred to it by the children's court, has asked for capital funds since its founding in 1920.

St. Charles can serve 60 boys at a time, but in 1961 referrals of 63 boys had to be turned down. The home provides a program for the rehabilitation of emotionally disturbed boys from 12

to 16 years old.

The campaign is headed by Thomas D. Lyons, a vice-president of the Allis Chalmers Manufacturing Co. He is an active leader in civic affairs in Milwaukee and has served on many committees or as director of welfare-directed organizations.

Holy Trinity High, Chicago

With addition of 14 new reading pacers, the language lab now has 35 such machines for the school's developmental reading program. Brother Thomas Henning is in charge, with Brothers Donald Rink and Cyprian Milke assisting. . . Edward Lezza, student council president and cocaptain of the football team, won "Outstanding Citizen of the Year" award over 1800 competitors at Boys State of Illinois. . . . The P.T.A.'s round of activities for the year has for goal financing the installation of fluorescent lighting through the school. . . .

Catholic Central High, Monroe, Mich.

Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills, Ohio

The renowned Father Martin C. D'Arcy, S.J., gave a lecture entitled "Self in the Face of Brainwashing" at Gilmour on November 4. Two years ago he gave the commencement address at the school. . . Plans are under way at a travel agency for the fourth Gilmour-sponsored study tour of Europe for the summer of 1963. Two Brothers accompany the students on

tour. . . . The Men's Club sponsored a clambake on the Gilmour campus in October. . . . Brother Alfonso Comeau, headmaster, has Mass offered daily during November for the deceased members of the Gilmour "family" — the husbands, wives, parents, sons, daughters, and friends of school benefactors.

Fr. Gibault School, Terre Haute

Brother Merle McGrane, director of farm operations at Father Gibault School in Terre Haute, won a handsome trophy a few weeks ago for the lifetime record of one of the cows of the Gibault herd — the one and only Gibault Pat Papoose.

The lifetime record of this cow over a twelve-year period was 141,619 pounds of milk and 4,656 pounds of butterfat. The average dairy cow in the U.S. produces 7,200 pounds of milk annually for a period of four years. Gibault Pat Papoose produced 11,801½ pounds annually for twelve years — quite a notable achievement!

ASPIRANTS PREPARE FOR NOVITIATE

Twenty-one young men are now at the Midwest province's juniorate in Watertown, Wisconsin, being introduced to the religious life of the Holy Cross Brothers and preparing to enter the novitiate in January. Seven in the group are aspirants of the South-West province.

"We would like to have at least thirty-five lads in the coming summer group," said Brother Thomas Corcoran, prefect of the aspirants for the time being, and vocation director for the northern states in the province. "To date," he said, "I have only one boy ready for the June group, thus we will have to work fast in this upper area. According to my files, there are 25 or 30 boys who *could* enter in June, if they would just make that all important decision."

FEWER YOUNG PEOPLE WILLING TO FOLLOW RELIGIOUS CALLING

The Catholic population grows larger, but vocations to the Religious Life are failing to keep pace.

In the Brothers' Midwest province, for example, there are presently 22 novices, only 7 of whom attended high schools taught by Holy Cross religious. Approximately 10,000 students are in Midwest province schools, only .0007% of whom last year chose to enter and were accepted by the Brothers of Holy Cross.

All told, there are about 5 million school-age Catholics in the United States, three-fourths of them attending Catholic schools. Roughly, 800,000 are of suitable age to enter a seminary, convent or monastery, but only 5% actually do so, and only one-fourth of that group perseveres.

Vocation directors agree that the

reservoir of vocations in Catholic schools is large, for to deny it would be to question Divine Providence. But the number who accept the call to the Religious Life is very small.

A great reason for the lack of response is the religious indifference of both pupil and parent and the secularistic values permeating modern life. Often too, the vocation directors say, home conditions prevent or undermine the possible religious vocation of son or daughter.

They also say that the dearth of religious vocations could be eliminated if a proper climate for vocations existed in homes and schools. Young people must first be brought close to God, and He in turn will bring them to the Religious Life in numbers sufficient for the demand.

"Good teachers, then, should have perfect human formation, intellectual and moral. For the teaching office is a lofty position which calls for intellectual discernment and for goodness of heart, for a capacity for intuition and delicacy of spirit, for adaptability and adjustment as well as human depth, capable of bearing all for love of neighbor. Good teachers need a professional competency which should be at least above average, and better yet, outstanding on all levels of instruction and in each of the specialized fields, if it is not to be unworthy of a mission which serves not merely the people and the state, but also God, the Church, and souls.

"Good teachers are those with a clear professional Catholic conscience, a soul burning with apostolic zeal, an exact idea of doctrine, which must penetrate all their teaching, and a profound conviction of serving the highest spiritual and cultural interests, and that in a field of special privilege and responsibility.

"Good teachers, finally, are careful to educate rather than merely to instruct; capable, above all, of forming and of moulding souls chiefly through contact with their own." — Pope Pius XII

PRESIDENT KENNEDY MAKES BRIEF STOP AT LAKEWOOD SCHOOL

President Kennedy's visit to Cleveland in October was specially memorable for faculty and students of St. Edward High because of the school's role in welcoming the Chief Executive.

First, the school band was the only one invited to be at the airport for the President's arrival. After it played, he strode over to give director Brother Robert Siegel a warm handshake and to say, "I think your band played Hail to the Chief exceptionally well, Brother. Very fine work."

Early that afternoon, as the President's motorcade returned to the airport, the fourteen hundred students of St. Edward's, dressed their best, were lined along the sidewalks fronting the school to watch him pass, along with the governor of Ohio, the mayor of Cleveland, and Senator Lausche.

As his car reached the school, the President signaled his driver to stop, and Brother Charles Krupp, principal of St. Edward High, stepped forward to greet the President and present him with a spiritual bouquet from the faculty and students.

After expressing his thanks, the President met the assistant principal, Brother Florentius, then Robert Cutter, senior-class president, presented him with a new football, inscribed "To the Kennedy Family Touch-Football Team, from the Faculty and Students of St. Edward, Lakewood."

Mr. Kennedy read the wording and broke into his best Irish grin, leaving no doubt he enjoyed this token of St. Edward's esteem.



Brother Charles Krupp, Principal of St. Edward High School, Lakewood, Ohio, is presenting a spiritual bouquet from the faculty and students to the President. Others in the picture, far left, Brother Florentius Schu, between Brother Charles and the President is Ray T. Miller, head of the Democratic Party. In the car is Senator Lausche.

The stop by the school lasted some three minutes and was deeply appreciated by faculty and students, especially since theirs was the only school in greater Cleveland at which the President stopped.

He recognized, too, that the band playing for him as he paused at St. Edward's was the same which met him at the airport.

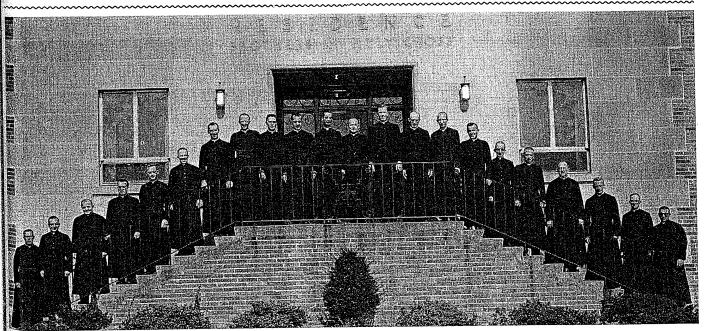
A number of local residents phoned the school later on to compliment the school for having been singled out and to praise the student body for its excellent conduct and neat appearance at the event.

ACADEMIC RATINGS CLIMB IN THREE BHC PROVINCES

More than a third of the total membership of the Holy Cross Brothers in the U.S. attended summer schools in 1962 at over forty colleges and universities here, in Mexico, and in Brazil.

Nearly half the number were graduate students. Thirty-one received grants from various foundations and institutions to study in nineteen different schools.

During 1962 fifty-nine Brothers received degrees: 22 the bachelor's degree, 26 the master's, one the Ph.D.



Brothers who participated in the Second Novitiate program this past summer are pictured here, l. to r. Brothers Alfred Salz, John Ryan, Charles Rymarowicz, Rene Guertin, William Geenen, Donald Allen, Thomas Dillman, George Leverman, Robert Woodward, Rudolph Talaga, Albert Reimlinger, Just Paczesny, Director; John Benesh, Lucidus Millenbach, Robert Leamnson, William Doherty, Myron Bachenheimer, William May, Jonas Moran, John Gaffney, Philip Armstrong, Chester Rachel.

BROTHER BENNET'S CLASSROOM "MUSEUM" SPURS INTEREST

Napoleonic figurines, Spanish letter openers, an Indian riot knife, a Civil War sword can all be seen in Brother Bennet Nettleton's history classroom.

"I've always been interested in history and things related to it," he commented, gazing around his roomful of souvenirs. "It has always been a hobby with me."

Brother Bennet teaches history at St. Edward High School, Lakewood, Ohio.

Other things in the classroom include wooden shoes from Holland, a set of miniature U.N. flags, a Civil War bullet, copies of U.S. historical documents, Egyptian metal and ceramic pieces, and Indian arrowheads.

Also included in the collection are Japanese and Chinese shoes, fans, umbrellas and other novelties, a model viking and pirate ship, photos and magazine clippings, an early model steam engine, and the usual maps.

Brother Bennet has been busy collecting the objects from missionaries of the Community, from students, relatives and friends. Altogether there are about ten or twelve centuries represented in his collection. The Joan of Arc or Hundred Years' War period of history especially fascinates him.

He explained that he became interested in history as a boy. "My grand-parents," he related, "lived around Lincoln territory in Illinois. I used to visit the shrines of Lincoln in that area. I became so interested in Lincoln that I rummaged through my grand-mother's attic to find things related to him. You might say," he added, "that I became interested in history at that time." Brother Bennet has taught history for seventeen years since that

historical rummaging.

Of all the articles in the room the Civil War dress sword intrigues him most. It belonged to his great-grandfather, who fought in that war. "When the Yankees [Brother's from Louisiana] took New Orleans in 1862," he explained, "the sword was hidden in the chimney with other valuables to prevent it from being confiscated by Union soldiers. A fire was lighted in the chimney so as not to arouse suspicion. The sword was saved, but all the silver plating was burned off, and that's why it's so rusty."

Brother Bennet added, laughing, "My students may not be interested in history, but at least I'll drown them in

atmosphere."

ASSOCIATES ELECT OFFICERS

The Evansville chapter of the Associates of St. Joseph is headed this year by Mrs. Anne Chandler, an Evansville resident and mother of two Holy Cross Brothers. One, Brother Jerome, teaches at St. John School in Sekondi, Ghana; the other, Brother Earl, teaches at St. Charles Boys Home, Milwaukee.

The Evansville chapter is one of several formed in Midwestern citics where the Brothers conduct schools. Membership is open to parents, relatives, and friends of the Brothers who would like to associate themselves with the Brothers' work.

Other officers of the Evansville group are B. T. Abell, the vice-president; Mrs. Frances Emge, secretary; Henry Schapker, treasurer. Mrs. Emge's son is Brother Lawrence, on the staff of Sacred Heart Military Academy; and Mr. Schapker's son is Brother Donald,

on the production staff of the Ave Maria Press at Notre Dame. The executive board of the Evansville unit also includes Mrs. Catherine Hennel, whose son is Brother Rex, the headmaster of St. John School in Ghana; and Mrs. Susan Reisz.

At present there are almost 40 men from the Evansville area in the ranks of the Brothers of Holy Cross. The boys' department of Reitz Memorial High in Evansville has been conducted by the Brothers since 1919.

MEETINGS! MEETINGS! MEETINGS!

Part of most teachers' work is attending education meetings, and Brothers have been doing so busily the past month: Brothers Alexius Adam and Cyprian Milke, a social studies meet in Westchester, Illinois; Brothers John Kuhn and Edward Wauchter, the an-

nual meet of Illinois English teachers at Urbana; Brother Barry Lambour, a principals' meeting, also at Urbana; Brothers Thomas Henning, John Kuhn Donald Rink, and Edward Wauchter, a reading conference in Milwaukee; Brothers Barry Lambour and Richard Reaume, one for principals and guidance counselors, at Loyola U. in Chicago; Brothers Richard Reaume and Donald Martin, a meeting at DePaul to study college-high school articulation; Brothers Joseph Dudek, Vincent Masterson, Ambrose Nowak, a Bell Telephone Workshop at Eastern University, in Michigan; Brother Jeffrey Michel, a two-day workshop for counselors, at Michigan State; Brother Ambrose Nowak, a principal-freshman conference at University of Michigan; Brothers Jeffrey Michel and Ambrose Nowak, a two-day principal-guidance meeting at Michigan State.

NEW VERSION OF DIRECTIVES MADE FOR YOUNG TEACHERS

Brother James Moroney, superior of the Brothers' house of studies at Notre Dame, has compiled a series of conferences and directives for Holy Cross Brothers soon to be assigned to teaching posts.

The collection, titled "In the Beginning," has two parts, the first with ten articles concerning the young teacher's religious life, the second with ten sections dealing with his professional life.

The new booklet is a revision of a 1936 publication called "Into the Field." Incorporated in the new edition are suggestions selected from the Brothers' Handbook for Beginning Teachers, some teaching hints, and excerpts from recent circular letters of the Superior General and the Provincial.

Brother James intends the booklet to help young Brothers achieve their life's goal as religious and professional men. The contents apply, he said, to Brothers in nonteaching work as well.

"You might consider this book a farewell or commencement 'chat' to every Brother Scholastic about to receive his first assignment to the mission life," he

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