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PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS: MAY 17-18

Approved as local superiors: Br. John May at Akron, Br. Jerome Meyer at Cleveland, and Br. Jerome Schwabe at Rolling Prairie. ***

The pre-chapter committee's latest proposal was reviewed. Br. Donatus was appointed the committee's executive secretary to coordinate the research, collect documents, etc., for the chapter's consideration. *** The budget from West Africa was approved. *** The agreement with Jack Hall and the province was reviewed and approved. *** Authorization to purchase a house for the scholastics in the South Bend area was granted. *** The council decided there should not be another ballot issued to province members to select the alternates to the chapter, but that five alternates will be selected from the remaining preferred names from ballots for at-large candidates, after fifteen delegates have accepted the election. *** The feasibility of the province purchasing the Akron cottage was discussed and turned down. *** Holding another province forum was again considered. A committee will be named to further study the matter. *** The following were approved to enter the novitiate this summer: Thomas Kavanagh, Michael Kudeamenu (Ghana), and Joseph Annan (Ghana). For first profession: Br. Thomas Golden. For renewals: Brs. Lawrence Condren, Chester Freel, Jack Richeson, David Fitzgerald, Leo Amegashitsi, Kenneth Haders, Robert Dailey, Robert Livernoise, James Van Dyke, Aubrey McNeil, Benedict Rozario (Bangladesh), Solomon Gomes (Bangladesh), and William Faiella. Next council meeting: Saturday, June 28.

PROVINCIAL CHAPTER

The following have accepted election as at-large delegates to the provincial chapter:

Brs. Donald Allen, Philip Armstrong, Thomas Balaz, Vincentius Balog, Joseph Cernick, Gonzaga Day, William Fitch, Walter Foken, Pedro Haering, Paul Kelly, Bruce Lescher, James Linscott, Louis Mangini, Carl Shonk, William Verstraete.

Previously announced elected delegates: Thomas More Beere, John Benesh, James Bluma, Chester Caster, Joseph Chvala, Jude Costello, Bernard Donahoe, Raymond Dufresne, William Dygert, Robert Fillmore, Bonaventure Foley, Eugene Hausmann, George Klawitter, Barry Lambour, Robert Lavelle, James May, Terence Muehlenkamp, Just Paczesny, Francis Rotsaert, James Rottenbucher, John Rozario, Kieran Ryan, Donatus Schmitz, Jerome Schwabe, Robert Siegel, Donald Stabrowski, Andrew Sukenik.

Ex-officio: Brs. Charles Krupp, Donald Bailer, John Barrett, Columba Curran, Walter Davenport, Francis Englert, Rex Hennel, Gerald Kraeger (E), James Moroney, Edward Overstreet, Douglas Roach, Roy Smith.

Temporarily professed observers: Brs. Paul Brown, Robert Dailey, Kenneth Haders.

At their district chapter, members of the West Africa District will elect two delegates to the provincial chapter.

The first meeting of the provincial chapter delegates is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, September 13 and 14.

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The Board at Gibault has established a search committee to seek a replacement for Br. Thomas Shaughnessy, who announced his resignation as Director effective July 1.

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FROM ST. EDWARD H.S.
CLEVELAND

About fifty Holy Cross brothers and priests in the Ohio region participated in a day of reconciliation, including liturgy, dinner and socializing, held at the school on April 26. *** Br. Donald Allen recently delivered a talk on the brother's vocation at St. Bernadette School as part of a vocation day program. *** Donald's foreign mission drive, with help of several Edsmen, has realized over two thousand dollars for Holy Cross mission work. *** Br. Lou Brazil and his musical combo of Edsmen contribute periodic entertainment at the dinners served to senior citizens by the City of Lakewood's Office of Aging, a program financed by the government. *** St. Ed's "Academic Challenge" team continued its winning ways on Cleveland TV. *** For the second year in a row, St. Ed's powerful debating team, fifth in the State, won the city championship, competing before the City Club of Cleveland.

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VOCATIONS ON
THE INCREASE

Seven new candidates will begin their aspirancy next fall. One is a 1974 Reitz Memorial graduate and another a recent graduate from Holy Cross Junior College. The group consists of two nurses, a Purdue graduate, a college junior, a college sophomore, and two high school graduates. Several other promising prospects could also make a decision to join in the next two weeks. Many reasons could be given for the increase in interest. One is clearly a renewed effort by many brothers to both actively recruit as well as pray daily for vocations. Could this be just the beginning? In addition, we have two young men work this summer at Boysville as part of our "Christian Service for Youth" program, and another college grad will be on the staff next fall at Gilmour under the same program.

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Richard Couture signed his acceptance of dispensation May 1.

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Br. Robert Vaughn made his final profession at Gibault on May 3. Br. John Benesh celebrated his 25th anniversary of vows at Corby Hall, Notre Dame, on May 10. And Brs. Omer Bielawski and John O'Flaherty celebrated, respectively, their 50th and 25th jubilees at Columba Hall on May 24.

FROM CARROLL COLLEGE
HELENA, MONTANA

Preparatory to the quinquennial visitation of the accrediting agency, Br. John Federowicz, library director at Carroll College, made the following statistical analysis of the library: (1) it subscribes to .4 periodicals per student, the same as the national collegiate average; (2) the national collegiate average is 50 books per student; Carroll's offerings are 20% higher quantitatively and immeasurably better qualitatively because of continuous weeding; (3) nationally, college and university libraries have been adding 2.9 new books per student annually; Carroll's acquisitions are 35% higher than the national average; (4) professional staffing exceeds national norms, despite a total library budget less than it was five years ago; (5) 25% of the library has been acquired since John's arrival five years ago.

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Br. Thomas Golden will make his first profession at Le Mans Academy, Rolling Prairie, August 30 at 4:00 p.m. He is inviting province members.

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FROM LOUISVILLE

Br. William Mewes has transferred from Forensic Psychiatry, Kentucky State Reformatory, to the job of chief social worker, Childrens' Treatment Service. The latter is the only Commonwealth of Kentucky in-patient hospitalization facility set up for treatment of the severely emotionally disturbed child from age 5 to 18. Bill continues to reside with the community at Bishop David. *** Br. John Miller, representing the Louisville Area Interchurch Organization for Service, recently coordinated a successful all-day workshop on "Celebration of Arts in the Church." It was a workshop on how to use the arts in worship service. Fifty persons from various denominations led classes on various arts and crafts projects suitable for use in churches. According to a front-page article in the Louisville newspaper, the workshop represented an attempt to "take art out of the museums and put it into our church services. It is believed that this will make our churches more human places." Over 200 people attended the workshop. It was so successful that Br. John plans for another similar workshop next year. *** Br. James May is president of the Louisville Council of English Teachers. The executive board meeting for the month of May was held at the Brothers' house, where the members were also guests at dinner.

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FROM GIBAULT SCHOOL

Four Gibault staff members--Mrs. Helen McGlone, Nate Guth, Darrell Deaton, and Randy McManus--were baptized, confirmed, and made their first communion on May 18 at St. Margaret Mary Church in Terre Haute. Fr. Ralph Fisher, CSC, instructed these new Catholics through many a long winter evening. The Terre Haute Holy Cross community held a reception in their honor at the campus faculty house. Congratulations!

Fr. Fisher wrote the following: "There are many events and persons

that can have an influence on an adult's decision to seek instruction and eventual baptism into the Church. To be honest, I never inquired of these four staff members what brought them to their final decision. During the four-month period of instruction (each session at least two hours in length), they expressed at least indirectly what was obvious to me. I am firmly convinced that the largest role in their conversion was played by the Brothers here at the school. They have all worked here for some time and have seen firsthand the care and concern the Brothers have shown toward the difficult type of boys we have here at the school. I think it is a classic example of actions speaking louder than words. If I played any role at all, it was that of reaping the harvest which the Brothers had sown."

Mr. William Latta was named principal of the Gibault academic program by Br. Thomas Shaughnessy. Mr. Latta joined the staff in 1964 and has served the institution in many capacities since then.

Br. Bernard Mosier will celebrate his golden jubilee in Holy Cross on July 19 at the school. Bernard has spent his last twenty-two years in service at Gibault after completing a ten-year stay in the missions in Bangladesh. He still keeps a full schedule and still enjoys teaching the boys the "bee business." He will have liturgy and renewal of vows at the Gibault chapel. Congratulations to Br. Bernard.

Br. Walter Gluhm has given several vocation talks around the Terre Haute area, and most recently to 7th and 8th graders of St. Margaret Mary parish.

Br. Thomas Balthazor, Office of Economic Opportunity chairman for the county, recently attended a workshop for chairmen of this region in Chicago.

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