

Msgr. Shaw, Fr. Rose Attend Liturgy Meet in Missouri

While our "long weekend" at home meant for most of us rest, for two of our professors it meant far West, at least as far West as Kansas City, Missouri.

Those who answered the "Go West, young man" call were Msgr. Shaw and Fr. Rose. The occasion was a meeting of the members of the Liturgical Commissions from all the dioceses of our country. Msgr. Shaw, chairman of the Sacred Liturgy Commission for our diocese, and Fr. Rose attended the meeting at the request of Bishop Babcock.

The meeting, held from April 27-30, was sponsored by the Liturgical Conference. Its purpose was

to investigate what practical steps can be taken to put into effect the decisions which the American bishops made at their April 2 liturgy meeting. Among the topics under consideration were: using the vernacular, bible service, art and

architecture, and the sung Mass in English. Fr. Gerard Sloyan, Fr. Godfrey Diekmann, and Fr. Frederick McManus highlighted the list of speakers.

The hope is that this sharing and exchange of ideas by the men of our country's Liturgical Commissions will help towards a more complete and more effective carrying out of the directives of the American bishops on the liturgy.

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French Class Rendezvous in Muskegon

On Thursday, March 19, a small but dedicated troupe of Frenchmen set out from St. Joe's for the great city of Muskegon -- destination, Muskegon Catholic Central. The occasion was a French-language program and all four members of the second-year French class, and its professor, of course, had been invited.

At 10:00 the group rendezvoused with Fr. Rose at the garage and, after piling into his Lancer, unobtrusively rolled out into the big, bright world. They were fully equipped, of course, with such provisions as cameras, dictionaries, and a picnic lunch prepared by the sisters. The latter they ate en route at a highway rest area and arrived refreshed right on time. Neil Mullally, acting as host, led the way to the classroom where the performance was to be held.

Needless to say, our seminarians were very much impressed. With the exception of an introductory speech explaining the nature of foreign language study, the program was conducted entirely in French. And the audience was treated with a wonderful variety, featuring panel discussions, dialogues, songs, skits, poetry, and talks, all on subjects of interest to French lovers everywhere. All was very efficiently co-ordinated by a competent master of ceremonies, whose task it was to introduce each group to the audience and provide a running commentary, where needed. The afternoon was brought to a close with a rousing rendition of the Marseillaise, the French national anthem.

Invited to say a few words by Sr. Leo Marie, the class's French teacher, Fr. Rose expressed in delightful French his appreciation of the program, and encouraged the class in its linguistic efforts.

Interesting thought and new idea, but, most important of all, a further insight into one facet of our century's great liturgical renewal.



Fr. Guzikowski and some Mission helpers hurry to complete the huge shipment. Count the boxes! Do you get 570?

CMC Readies Record Shipment of 11 Tons

St. Joe's Catholic Mission Club is busily preparing its largest shipment yet, 11 tons, primarily of books, which will leave here on May 7 en route to the Philippines.

The 560 boxes, containing nearly 10,000 books, will be carried by truck to San Diego. From there the U.S. Navy will ship the supplies to Manila through Project Handclasp, a project by which the Navy carries donated goods overseas when space is available on their ships.

The Marist Brothers will transport our shipment from Manila to their distribution center, Cotabato City, in the southern Philippines. There 83 schools will receive books they would not otherwise have.

Several generous donations have made possible the whole operation. The trucking will be supplied by Mr. Rahilly and Mr. Meyers of Interstate System. The boxes have been given by Mr. Storm of Bell Fiber Co., the steel bands by Mr. Brough and Mr. Hulbert of Signode

Steel, and the stencils by Mr. Woolridge of Michigan Shippers.

But, as Fr. Guzikowski has pointed out, the real key to the 12,000 mile mission shipment is the efforts of the students here at St. Joe's. Many students - Mike McKenna and Mark Gardeski deserve special mention - have spent countless hours packing, taping, banding, and stenciling the 560 boxes of books. By their consistent efforts a great apostolic work is being accomplished.

We Tackle CU's

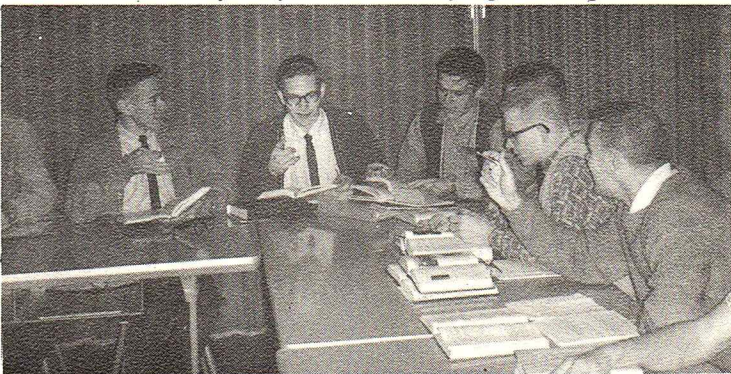
Amid the May tempest of heat waves and free days, the high school students will be forced to miss several classes on May 11 and 12 to undergo some intellectual gymnastics in preparation for Field Day. Yes, the time is again at hand to tackle the C.U. examinations. After completing the four year span of tests, the students receive their diplomas from the Catholic University of America.

Class Topics Stir Campus

Our seminary has had two notable instances recently of classroom interests extending beyond the classroom, not only for students, but professors as well.

The first of these two stems from an April 18 physics class seminar on the theory of relativity. Guest of honor was Msgr. Shaw, always ready to learn. Interest in the seminar had been high beforehand, and the few books we had available were flying back and forth across the room like agitated electrons. By seminar time, all the seminarians were ready; and the result was a very well-done discussion, topped off by thought provoking comments by Mr. Wisz and Msgr. Shaw. And the post-seminar result: further discussion and continued interest in relativity by both students and faculty.

In fourth year religion the topic of interest was Church art. The group discussed with Fr. Ancona, from a liturgical point of view, the problem of choosing suitable art for our parishes in this age of variety. The students gleaned from the discussion not only many an in-



Participants in the college physics seminar exchange ideas on the theory of relativity.

EDITORIAL

Views

Thank You For a Fine Job

In this year's issues of the Recorder we have departed from certain traditional and stereotyped ways of doing things, but it is never out of place to say "thank you."

I feel that this has been a highly successful year for the paper and that it is due to the fine work and wonderful co-operation of the staff.

We owe Fr. Ancona, our moderator, a tremendous debt of gratitude. His lively interest and enthusiasm sparked the whole staff and imbued us with a new outlook and spirit.

Special thanks to assistant editors Greg Lyon and Chris Mulcahy for their help and ready contributions. Tom Cassleman and Mike Hazard deserve credit for the excellent alumni page they put out. These two "dared to be different" and the result was a topnotch page. I also feel that the typists should receive public mention for their faithful work. Every single word on every page is a result of their too often unacknowledged labor.

Everyone else on the staff, from those who paste down headlines to those who mail the Recorder, receives my sincere gratitude for a job well done. Lastly, my appreciation to all the students from the first to the sixth class who contributed articles and made this year's Recorder what it was.

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Thank Goodness We're Not Computers

There is an interesting term being tossed about by today's educators which designates the unity, or completeness, of an individual's grasp of life. The word is "scope." The student with scope, it is said, is he who has assimilated a good share of the deposit of data in our world and has put it in proper perspective in his mind. He can form opinions and engage in controversy, and yet always retain an open, inquisitive personality.

In this regard the Catholic University examinations this week offer a unique testing ground for us as students. They will reveal just how flexible our minds are; for in many cases, the tests will present matters in new ways, from points of view we have never considered. The poor IBM machine, with reams of information, perhaps, on miles of electronic tape, can't make heads or tails of a completely new problem. For all its whirring and sputtering, it finds it impossible to rise above the information it has been "fed," and that from a particular "point of view." It will never generate a new thought or adapt, of its own accord, to new situations, despite its vast reservoir of knowledge.

Unfortunately, though, it is easy for us seminarians to select a computer as our intellectual ideal. "If only I had a photographic memory," we may sigh. But it is really true that the memory is one of the lowest of our faculties! A seminarian certainly cannot go far without his -us, -i, -o, -um, -o; but let us never forget, in our exams as well as in all our activity, that our natural glory is wonderfully caught up in creative thought.

IN MANU DEI SUNT



Remember also, Lord, your servants and handmaids, who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith and who sleep the sleep of peace.

Father Leo Farquharson, who died April 2.

Father Andrew Bieniawski, who died March 22.

Paul Peppin's grandmother, who died February 13.

To them, Lord, and to all who rest in Christ we pray that you grant a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Our Apostolate of Example

"Civil rights is basically a moral issue. We are here to speak to the conscience of every man. All of us stand before God as brothers."

The "we" in the above message are seminarians--Catholic, Protestant, and Jewish seminarians. The "here" is the Lincoln Memorial in Washington D.C.

In Washington, seminarians have begun a day and night vigil at the Memorial to speak out quietly for an end to inequality. Three seminarians--a Catholic, Protestant, and Jew--stand before the Memorial at all times.

The headquarters for the group is a church basement. Seminarians are transported from the area to stay two days. They eat and sleep in the basement of the church and take their turns at two to four hour shifts at the Memorial. At the end of the two days they go back to their seminaries, knowing that they have done something positive in the fight against discrimination.

It is not often asked of us that we protest outside of the Lincoln Memorial. Few of us get the opportunity to stop a bulldozer with our body. No one demands that we go to a rally of the NAACP. But there is a whole field of endeavor open to us as seminarians, indeed to all Christians.

Msgr. Moran called it the "Apostolate of Example." We can show by our attitude and our actions that we believe in the basic precept of our Constitution--"All men are created equal." Without beating on pans or carrying signs we can do much in our own circle of influence. This problem is one of attitudes, and the more we can do to help change an attitude for the better, the more we will be helping our fellow man. The important point is that we can do something. We too can tell the world that "Civil rights is basically a moral issue"--if we truly believe it.



Congratulations!

The Recorder staff, as well as all the seminarians of St. Joseph's, wish to extend hearty congratulations to Bishop Babcock, very eminently our spiritual father, on the occasion of his tenth anniversary as Bishop of Grand Rapids. Our hopes and prayers are with him that his future activities will be as dedicated and as zealous as they have been during the past decade.

And our best wishes are likewise extended to the pastors of the diocese who have celebrated their jubilee anniversaries during the month of April -- Father Ernest J. Walters, his golden anniversary, and Monsignor Charles Brophy, and Fathers Peter Jakubowski and Max Ostrowski, their silver anniversaries.



May 1st, Vaudeville Style



SONG, DANCE, SLAPSTICK ENLIVEN MAY MUSICAL



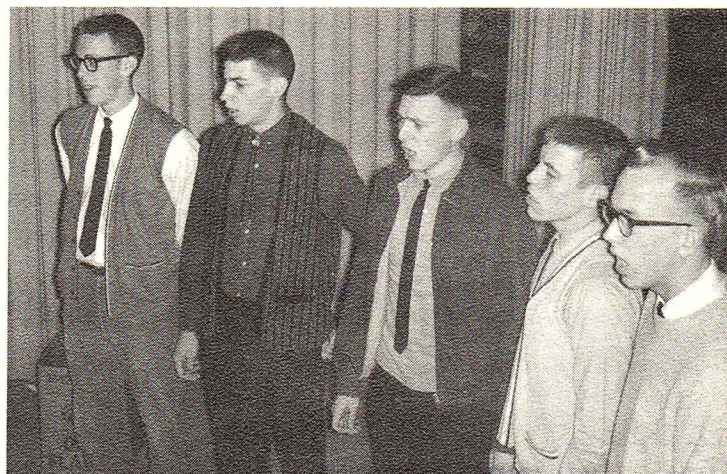
The popular music of a country seems to be a fairly accurate indication of the spirit and tempo of the times. Today's popular music rather shockingly reflects to a large extent the frenzied conditions of modern society. Perhaps this country will never again be a witness to the true art of popular song and dance as was performed in those glorious days of the late 1920's -- the heyday of vaudeville.

1928 FLAVOR

This year's May 1st Musical, in an attempt to bring to the seminary stage a unique entertainment which offers both an acquaintance (however vague) with the music and theatrical presentations of another era, as well as the anticipated enjoyment and relaxation, uses as its model the famed vaudevillean productions of 1928. Following as closely as possible to a strict vaudeville format, the Musical has neither a master of ceremonies to introduce the acts, nor a story to interrelate the various acts, nor elaborate settings and stage work to dramatize the significance of the performances. The emphasis is to be found rather in the variety and individuality of the acts themselves, in the contrast produced by the arrangement of the program, and in the climax achieved by the continual barrage of high quality performing. Thus, when a careful combination of these is achieved, one can easily see why vaudeville received such unprecedented popularity.

WIDE VARIETY

The seminary rendition of the vaudeville of 1928 has on its agenda an interesting variety of both musical and non-musical entertainment. Slapstick acrobatics and situation comedy comprise the sidesplitting aspect of the vaudeville production, to which the audience never fails to respond with hearty laughs. Several song and dance groups lend their talents toward the musical portion of the production. Such old favorites as "Side by Side," "Old Shanty Town," "I'll Take You Home Again," Kathleen, "Me and My Shadow," and a rousing "Bill Bailey," and several others highlight the musical. Talented soloists, a harmonious barbershop quintet, a precision Soft Shoe dance team, a lively chorus will do the vocal work with the accompaniment of experienced pianists and a "swinging" band.



The third class vaudeville quintet (L to R) T. Drinan, R. Cirner, L. Sova, J. Cole, and N. Rominski practice a number.

The great time and effort put into the vaudeville reproduction should not be underestimated. For this reason, Donald Heydens, the producer and director, Joe Ksiazkiewicz, Jim Van Wert, and Joe Amar, the pianists, deserve special congratulations, along with the band and the cast of singers, dancers, and comedians who have so excellently joined forces both to pay a tribute to the theater of another generation as well as to prove to young and old that appreciation of beautiful popular music knows no age limit.

John Reardon
II College

We Have a Sign of Christ

Recently our Bishop consecrated the main altar at St. Andrew's Cathedral. Days before the ceremony, the students here had ruefully departed for a long weekend home. Since the mutual sorrow caused by that empty weekend may have blinded us all to the significance of the Bishop's action, it might be good to look a bit into the meaning of the altar.

SPECIAL SIGN

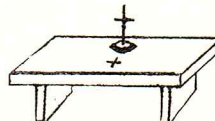
The altar is a special sign for us Christians. It stands large and majestic in our churches to remind us of Christ our Lord.

REVERENT TREATMENT

We probably don't often think of the altar in this way. We usually associate it with the functional purpose only--the place where Holy Mass is offered. But we certainly treat the altar as if we knew there is more to its meaning than that.



Tom Cassleman and John Reardon sing and swing while practicing their "Old Soft Shoe."



We give it the most prominent position in our churches. We incense it. We make reverences before it. We even kiss it (as many as eight times during the Mass). We would do all these things even if the Holy Eucharist were not present there.

STANDS FOR CHRIST

Why? Because the altar stands for Christ. Our Bishop reminded us of this truth when he anointed the altar at St. Andrew's. For us Christians the altar is our Christ, our anointed one, because from the altar and at the altar we human beings are united to God. Jesus himself is the union of God and man, and through him we all are united to the Father. The altar, too, imitates Christ as a meeting place for God and man. That is why we revere the altar in such a unique way.

Father Ancona

Epistola Ab Otto

Dear Folks,

I realize that it's been 3 months since my last letter home, but, as usual, I was overworked, excessively burdened, etc.

It's amazing how *tempus fugit*. It seems like only yesterday I was waiting for you to pick me up for vacation. By the way, why didn't you come? Nevertheless, I enjoyed spending vacation at the seminary. Everyone was so nice. They even went to the trouble of padding my room so I wouldn't hurt myself.

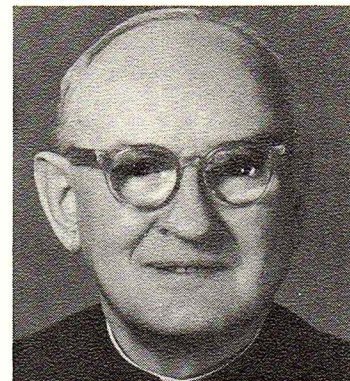
A new "fight the flab" fad is in full force. The juniors (unfortunately the seniors are not included) now assemble on the field for several minutes of organized chaos during which they exercise by twisting and turning over, around, and through sand burs, gravel, rocks, broken glass, and ant hills. It does present an amusing sight for the faculty, who watch from afar, inwardly desiring to join the fun and frolic. Many seminarians have become well-rounded priests without such a program. Why pick us?

Oh yes, I'm broke.

Oh reservoir,
Otto

Former Faculty Member Dies

Father Leo J. Farquharson, a member of the seminary faculty from 1915 - 1924, died April 2. Fr. Farquharson was a "pioneer prof," and taught at the seminary when it was still located on Sheldon Street.



Fr. Farquharson

Father always spoke fondly of his years as a professor. He was librarian when the move was made from Sheldon to the new site on Burton, and he related proudly that "not one library book was misplaced" in the process. His favorite class was Greek, and it is said he taught the irregular verbs musically to aid the memory.

A Solemn Requiem was celebrated at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Grand Rapids. Seminarians from the parish served, and some of the senior choir members sang at the Mass.

SCAS-A Sleepy Giant

SIXTH CLASS BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS ON SCAS

Our Student Catholic Action Service (impressive words, if nothing else) is a rather big organization; it has 170 members, a weekly meeting, seven busy committees, and plenty of potential. In a way SCAS is a giant, living in our midst; but it is a sleepy giant. For a few months our giant works energetically and efficiently; then for a year or so he relaxed, drowsily doing what he must.

Two years ago a new constitution awoke our giant for a few months, gave him a needed face lifting, and made the students feel his presence. The next year our giant worked more effectively, but soon lost his spring-time vigor. This year's SCAS has been ad-

equate, but little more. The Sunday meetings have seemed more polished, but perhaps more methodical. The energetic committees again have been SCAS's pride.

SAGGING INTEREST

But our giant, vexed by his old ailment, seems about to fall asleep again. This ailment, of course, is a lack of student interest. And this, I think, is SCAS's key problem. The necessary time and effort could be sacrificed for SCAS - if everyone cared.

I feel that interest in SCAS is closely connected with our community spirit. For, since SCAS is the principal area of our extra-curricular activities, where else

would our community spirit be present if not in SCAS? A low interest in SCAS is an attribute of a poor community spirit, but, on the other hand, an active interest in SCAS certainly gives a boost to our seminary spirit. Do you feel our present interest in SCAS reflects a strong community spirit?

But what is an active interest in SCAS? Simply, it is the willingness to serve the community through SCAS. An active interest in SCAS leads a student to work with the SCAS committees, to give suggestions and criticisms to the board, and to direct or take part in Sunday meetings.

SCAS is looking forward to a long, hard year. Since there will be only one debate and a few orations, the board will need to plan meetings for two semesters. But a hard year can be a successful year, especially if the fifth and fourth classes are generous with their time, efforts, and co-operation. The junior house will also be called upon for help. The board will need to work zealously to keep up the student interest in SCAS.

Yes, SCAS is our sleepy giant. If the students can keep him awake next year, St. Joe's community spirit will receive a big lift.

Charles Fischer
II College

Students Visit Fr. Leo's Parish

Fennville, Michigan -- wholesome sounding, but scarcely euphonious -- nor exciting. So, no doubt, thought Fr. Leo. But just when we received our first school assignments for the new year, our Bishop asked Father to lay the groundwork for a new parish to serve the needs of the Spanish-speaking people in the Fennville area. Ever since, Father has been combining the academic and the pastoral. In fact, his parishioners have chosen St. Martin de Porres as their patron, a man who understood bi-location.

When Father first offered Mass in Fennville almost nine months ago, the congregation amounted to no more than fifty people arranged as well as possible in a deserted theater. Yet from humble beginnings arise great things. To this



Fr. Leo distributes ashes to his parishioners at St. Martin's.

fact the fourth year Spanish class loudly witness. On Easter Sunday we sang a High Mass for the St. Martin de Porres parish, which now numbers some forty-five families and countless ninitos. Afterwards we had the chance to practicar español while stoking our

appetites on a home cooked Spanish-American cuisine. Though our fluency was minimal, the gentle but insistent prodding of Father Leo and the infectious good humor of the people brought our Spanish out of its textbook status. Talk or starve!

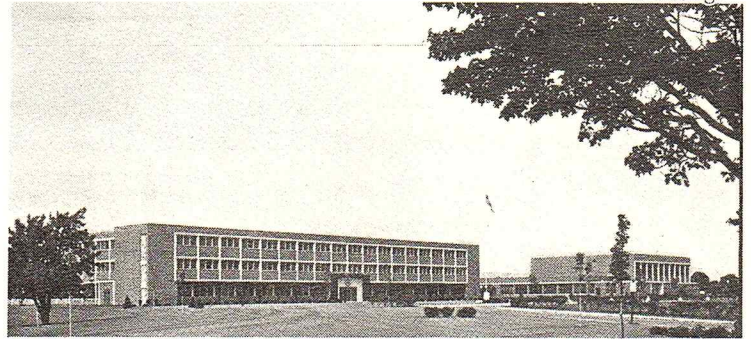
We believe, though, that we learned more than Spanish. We who have visited Father's parish-in-the-making have seen a challenging aspect of the priesthood. At St. Martin's we have seen service and devotion giving birth to a growing and vigorous congregation that symbolizes our vision of a growing and eager Catholicism.

James Hanink

Profs Blend Teaching with Preaching

The fishers of men from St. Joseph's Seminary cast their lines on the weekends. This call comes from parishes, missions, and institutions for which a permanent priest is not assigned throughout the diocese, and, for a large part, it is the faculty here at the seminary who answers it. Notified by the Chancery, Msgr. Moran sends the assigned priest out at hours varying from Saturday afternoon for a distant trip, to all hours of Sunday morning.

As we see him take his turn with a cloud of smoke, he may be heading eventually (sometimes quite eventually) to one of the usual assignments such as Sand Lake and its missions Coral and Lakeview, Hastings with Middleville, Delton and Dowling missions, Greenville with Harvard, Wayland, Fennville, or Traverse City. Needs at the Little Sisters home or other institutions are often met by our priests. Calls also come unexpectedly on account of sickness in a parish or other emergencies.



The St. Paul Seminary of Saginaw:

A Dream Come True

LAST SAGINAW STUDENT DESCRIBES NEW SEM

A spirited rivalry, spurred on by our recent basketball encounter, has awakened in the fellows here a lively interest in our "northern neighbors" at St. Paul's Seminary.

Thus far our "rivals" have a brief but colorful history as a seminary institution. It was only after long years of detailed planning and generous sacrifice that the "unrealistic" dream of a seminary for the Saginaw Diocese was even realized. On September 12, 1961, the sem opened its first academic year with an enrollment of 82 students. Their spacious buildings, situated on a 52 acre campus, houses 159 students: 145 high school and 14 college students. (5 of the "Mighty 14" -- as they are labeled -- are alumni of St. Joe's.)

Msgr. James A. Hickey, rector of the new sem (who was a class behind our own Msgr. Moran back in the "days of the giants"), has labored diligently to secure adequate recognition for scholastic achievements of his students. Assisted by 10 fellow priests (5 of whom are St. Joe alumni), 2 sisters, and 4 laymen, Msgr. Hickey presents an excellent program of studies and extra-curricular activities to the seminarians.

Among their extra-curricular activities, some interesting ones include attending Y.C.S. rallies, teaching C.C.D. classes, and attending lectures given by prominent spokesmen in the area.

Despite the fact that it will be years before St. Paul's has ivy leaves scaling its walls and can boast of a richly-laden tradition, St. Joe's heartily congratulates it for the wonderful start it has made.

Joseph Radelet
IV High

James Van Wert
II College

SOCIETY OR SYNDICATE?

At St. John's Provincial Seminary there is a mission society, named for Bishop Baraga. He would perhaps be surprised at the growth and organization of the "monster of St. John's" -- the Mission Society or Syndicate, whatever you wish to call it. We will get serious now and tell you something about the society and its products, the most important of which probably is the awareness among its members of the mission of Christ through and to men.

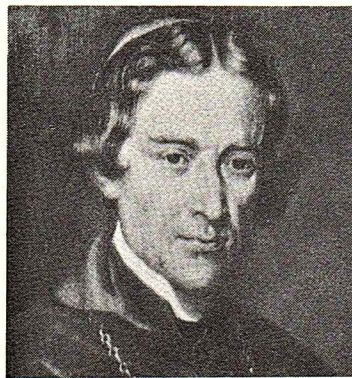
The Mission Society has two purposes for itself: to help with money and with prayer the missions, and to provide little services to the theologians themselves. The society consists of all the students of St. John's, and they use methods such as money, clothes, prayers, sacrifices, and realization of what mission means to pursue their goal: mission assistance. The society, large, lean, scheming, in a good, noble sense, is run by a president, secretary, and treasurer, who meet with a board of directors and reverend moderator several times a year. The entire seminary is infiltrated by the members of the mission outfit, who conspire according to their own departments to benefit the cause. These "plotters", along with others who have appointed themselves, at times lead the rest of the students around by the noses to desired destinations. A result of their intrigue might be importation of various speakers from the outside on subjects like: current work in Detroit to alleviate racial discrimination, or remarks on Eastern Catholics and their liturgy, or talks given by a pastor on what he expects of his assistants. Another kind of project organized or supported by the Mission is called the "active study". Here the students are involved more directly, giving time and sweat and gold and prayer to what they are doing. Exchanging views and information with St. John's Seminary in Eastern India, sending some money, supplying it with several hundred volumes of philosophy and theology books is an active study. The society publicizes its projects and intentions and ideas by means of two bulletin boards and a small, informal newssheet called the Peddler, which is distributed to the student rooms whenever the need warrants.

The Mission Society is not moneyed, although sizeable amounts pass through its unsticky hands from sources such as Lenten mite

boxes, football pool during season, raffles sponsored by the mission store. (The Mission Society runs one of the three stores at the seminary.) Paperback books on theological and general topics are sold through the store, and any profits, superfluous donations -- for those with sensitive ears -- likewise are mission bound.

Incidentally, last year's Mission chief was Fr. "Napoleon" Ancona.

Besides these above mentioned projects, the Mission Society depends on general "spirit builders" to develop natural mission spirit. Mission-oriented magazines, subscribed to by the library, part of I dogma course, "Ecclesia", census work, teaching catechism, summer and free-day experiences



BISHOP BARAGA

in various fields are some of the "spirit builders". Prayer for the missions is presupposed and intermeshed with all projects.

The Mission Society is an example of what a student organization, given some leeway, time, and enthusiasm, can turn into. Sacrifice of time and energy and money are basic elements to mission benefit. Giving of self, the spirit of mission, which digs into a person and gives away little pieces of himself, makes the mission successful, strong, and a non self-complacent society.

NEWMAN'S IDEA NOW

In 1852, John Henry Cardinal Newman delivered a series of discourses in Ireland which, together with several later talks and letters, comprise what is today called Newman's "Idea of a University." The Cardinal was the last century's leading promoter of the idea that the Church has a place in the university.

In more recent times, the Newman Club (part of the National Newman Apostolate) has been the Church's active organ in the university. It has been the Newman Club which has kept the faith of the Catholic students at our secular colleges alive, and which has put the Catholic Church in full view of the people in our secular colleges.

Today, however, the Church is

answered" fogs the vision of those young men and women who, while attending secular colleges, must yet seek out Christ, their salvation.

How does one go about clearing the fog? The technique which these two alumni have utilized quite effectively is that of bringing the Catholic students into a closer social union. This was the aim of the National Newman Club; and this is the idea of the modern student parish. Bring the Catholic students together to Mass, the sacraments, social functions, educational programs aimed at increasing their faith. In union there is strength.

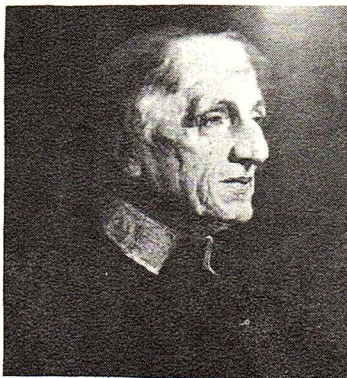
On the educational level, the student parish offers the student a wide variety of courses and study groups designed to complement his studies at the college and implement his theoretical knowledge, so that he can live his faith better.

Among the courses offered at St. John parish, for example, are fundamental and advanced theology, Scholastic Philosophy, studies of the Sacred Scripture, and Pre-Cana instructions. In addition, the parishioners are invited to attend lectures by guest speakers each at the "Sunday Night Forum," and a weekly panel discussion of a controversial topic each Friday Night period.

St. John's parish brochure repeats in other words the reason for having a student parish. It gives the reasons for the social program there: that the students may "learn to love others in a concrete and unselfish way," "meet fellow Catholics," and attend "divinely sanctioned entertainment."

At the top and bottom and on all sides of the parochial activity of the student parish is its spiritual program. The basis for this -- as indeed for the spiritual life of the Church at large -- is the "full sacramental life," as Fr. Najdowski put it. Fr. Kavanaugh asks his students to live by the motto: "Once each week -- during the week." The student chooses a specific Mass on a specific day each week and makes it a part of his regular schedule. Additional devotions at St. John Church include Compline chanted in English every Sunday night.

What in the 1800's Cardinal Newman urged that the Church must do: make her presence felt in the university; what two millennia ago Christ commissioned his apostolic Church to do: bring all men to the Father; this the student parish does with 20th century vigor and vitality.



CARDINAL NEWMAN

more fully represented on the secular campus by a relatively new institution: the student parish.

Two of our alumni are pastors or rectors of such student parishes. Fr. Robert E. Kavanaugh, pastor of St. John Church and Catholic Student Center in East Lansing, and Fr. John A. Najdowski, rector of St. Paul's Catholic Chapel and Center in Big Rapids, have the tremendous task of guiding some 6200 young souls to Christ, while the "secular process of raising far more questions than time, talent and facilities permit to be

...and all that jazz

Now usually those words come at the end of an article such as this. You know, thank you, and all that jazz. Well, this time we thought we'd start out sounding insincere and then, and then well, anyone who did not deserve any thanks would not bother to read any further. But those who did deserve such a word, for contributing to any of our articles in the four issues we printed (a foot-kiss to Fr. Ancona for his ideas) -- where were we? Anyone who did deserve thank you would be sure to hunt through this mass of words for it. And here you are: (sincerely) THANK YOU

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6th Class to Leave Behind Story of Sports Success

They won't be with us too much longer; but when they do go, this year's 6th Class will leave behind them a story of sports success.

They didn't start out successfully, though, taking 32-6, 39-0, and 51-19 licks in softball, football, and basketball, respectively, during their first year. In their second year, besides a 46-0 football thrashing from the 3rd Class, they were beaten in baseball even by the 1st Class.

But in their third year things started to click, especially during basketball season, when they went all the way to take the House Championship. In fact, they had a sparkling 8-1 record in class games that year.

But fourth year was an off year, as the 5th Class kept them pretty well in check, even in basketball. That basketball defeat which they were handed in March of 1962 was, however, the last defeat they have experienced.

RECENT DOMINATION

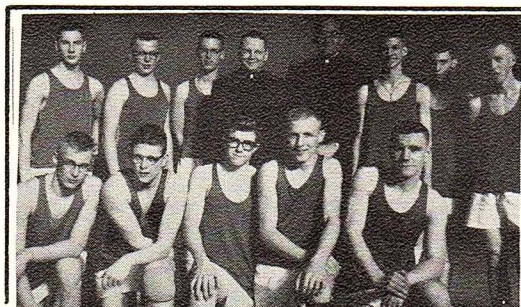
In the past two years, they have completely dominated the seminary sports scene. Last year they won the House Championship in every sport in which championship games were played -- softball, basketball, and baseball. This year they have become the first 6th Class since 1956 to win the House Championship in all three of the major sports played to date -- softball, football, and basketball. And of course they are also defending champions in baseball.

A truly marvelous record, and one our 6th Class can rightly be proud of.



WHO'S NEXT?

Such Are the Sights of a Seminary Spring



This shot of our High School basketball team was taken by Fr. Leo just after the game with St. Paul's. Honorary coach and #1 fan, Msgr. Moran, is seen in the middle, alongside St. Joe's athletic director, Fr. Bissot.

'Battered Biretta Battle'

BUT ST. JOE'S CAGERS DROP 48-43 DECISION AT SAGINAW

March 19, the feast of St. Joseph, saw the beginning of a new trend in athletics here at St. Joe's when the High School basketball team traveled east to Saginaw for a contest with the basketballers of St. Paul Seminary. With eager enthusiasm and a slight underestimation of the basketball ability of our eastside friends, eleven players pushed off with Msgr. Moran, Fr. Rosloniec, and Fr. Bissot across state.

Our High School team had worked together only once before this year, and that game we lost to the College by an unimpressive 51-28 score. So this time we were out for victory; besides, we just had to return with the prize of the game, the "Battered Biretta," a trophy put into service especially for St. Joe - St. Paul competition.

We were greeted at St. Paul's by Msgr. Hickey and company, who gave us both a quick tour of the new seminary and a good lunch (sort of a fattening up for the kill process!).

At game time we found out that they grow 'em pretty tall over Saginaw way, but, by combining fancy shooting and ball control we ended up with a 12-5 lead at the quarter. A little more organized during the rest of the game, St. Paul's put their height to good use. Capitalizing on our mistakes, they took the lead midway through the third period and never trailed again, with the clock killing a last minute St. Joe's rally at 48-43. The leading scorer for St. Paul's was Bob Byrne with 27, while Tom Drinan paced St. Joe's with 17.

Though in pretty low spirits after losing our first "extra muros" game, we were never too down and out to refuse another meal. During that time we discussed seminary life, discovering that basically their seminary differs very little from ours.

As we finally started home after a long but wonderful day, we hoped that what so successfully began that day would grow into a wider, more intimate relationship between our two seminaries. We also looked forward to a chance to bring back to St. Joe's that Battered Biretta.

A Rising Power - That's Our 3rd Class

Observe carefully, and you can't help but notice that an all-sports power is growing among us -- the 3rd Class.

The first hint of their potential strength was seen during their first year basketball season, when they were just barely edged out by the 2nd Class, 41-40. Another clue came in their second year, when they dropped a 5-4 softball squeaker to the 3rd Class. In baseball they even defeated the 3rd Class before being handed a tough 3-2 loss by the 5th Class in the House Championship game.

Earlier this year they looked good in football as they were downed only 12-6 by a strong 4th Class squad. But it was during basketball season that they really showed their stuff. With Tom Drinan and Tom Smith as the big guns, they mowed down the 2nd Class, 57-26, and the 4th Class 46-39. Their bid for a House Championship was stopped only by the 6th Class, and that by a mere 30-26 score.

Need I even mention, look out next year! It won't be just a matter of narrow defeats much longer.

Once again Flora with her magical springlike touch has penetrated our confines. But our "Junior Housers" say that spring must go. They prefer winter weather to the vernal variety. What has caused this surprising sentiment in our jolly Juniors? Well, for the first time our unwilling underclassmen are being put through a program of physical fitness. Coach Lennon has insisted that the energetic exercise enthusiasts have these physical fits every day. With their rhythmic chant of 1, 2, 3, our nimble neophytes seem more like all-American athletes than the seraphic seminarians we know them as.

When the coach is away, the boys don't play, at least not until such characters as Ran "the Man" Cirner and "Bruiser" Bruce Schaffer have put them through their calisthenic contortions. And the results are readily revealable: aching arms and lead-like legs.

THE SENIOR SCENE

But we see a more placid picture as we behold our virile veterans of four years or more. Everywhere one can behold massive limbs lounging on the gorgeous green gardens of St. Henry's. Surprisingly enough, though, there is increased interest in baseball this year, but the perennial problem of conflicting interests means that many of the potential players instead spend their time working on a musical, or putting out the Recorder, or pulling dandelions.

Such are the sights of a Seminary spring.

THE CALESTHENIC KIDS



with pushups ...



and leg-lifts.