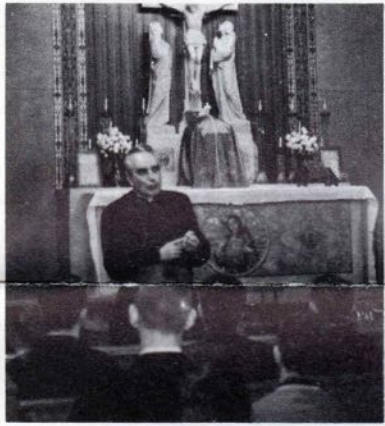


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PROVINCE STUDY DEAN ADDRESSES STUDENTS



Father Lindon

"Just as it is the work of a sailor to sail a ship, so it is the work of a student to study, to strive for knowledge." In words like these Rev. Father Luke J. Lindon, S.C.J., spoke to us seminarians about our life in the Seminary. The encouraging talk took place in the chapel on the evening of January 25th. Father Lindon, Assistant Provincial and Dean of Studies for the American Province of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, was here for the Education Meeting which brought priests from many of our houses throughout the Province to Bellefontaine. At the invitation of Father McGuire he was gracious enough to address the student body. Father Lindon talked about his own years of school and made practical applications to us at I.H.M. He spoke from years of experience, having taught for several years also; and at present being Superior of our college in Honesdale, Pennsylvania, he is constantly involved in helping young men to the priesthood.

LENT AND THE SEMINARIAN

The meaning Lent has for humanity in general can be termed as relative. This is to say that Lent has a different meaning and a different effect according to the makeup of the individual. This is also true with the seminarians; but Lent has a special meaning for the seminarian.

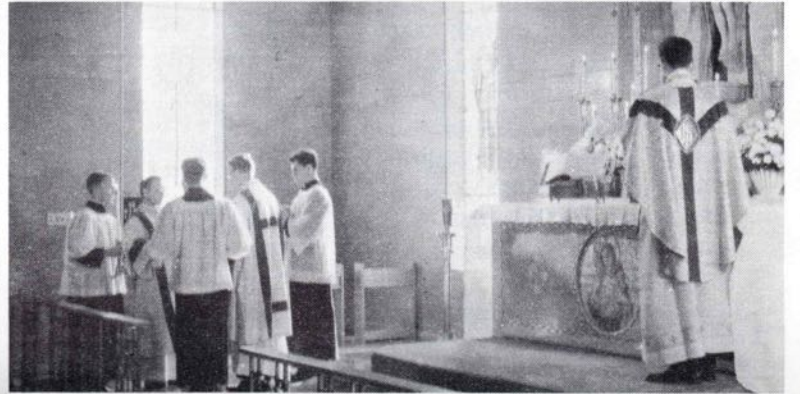
First of all the seminarian realizes that the Church has made Lent a time of recollection and penance in preparation for one of her greatest feasts. The Church had a very clear purpose and intention in mind when she set aside this time for her members as a time of sacrifice, and had been very wise in doing so. The Church saw the need for such a period so that her members could spend more time growing in personal sanctity and in virtue. During the period of Lent a Catholic who is enveloped in its true spirit, which is the spirit of sacrifice, can develop his character to a great extent. But the seminarian is more fortunate than others in that more opportunities to practice and to grow in the spirit of sacrifice are given to him. Firstly, just being in the seminary takes a lot of sacrifice on one's part. Coming to the seminary the seminarian has given up for a time his parents, his home, his friends, and many other attachments that he had latched on to during his grade school years. This in itself has been a great sacrifice. Again the seminary provides many means through which the seminarian can grow in virtue and in character, not only during Lent but also throughout the rest of the year.

Secondly, to the seminarian Lent is a period of spiritual development and improvement. Although the seminarian is striving to become a saint throughout the entire year he tries especially hard during that time the Church has set aside for him to do so. But he does not try to become a

saint all at once; nor does he try to perform some great act of sanctity. He first attacks his smaller problems and failings. He strives to improve himself by performing the little acts of kindness and of charity. He tries to visit the chapel more often to ask for the help of God in his daily doings. So during Lent the seminarian tries to visit the chapel more often to pray for himself or for others, even if his visit is "just for a minute." During Lent the seminarians tries not only to improve himself spiritually but also in respect to his studies or in respect to his daily chores.

And finally, if one views Lent through the eyes of the seminarian, he will see that Lent is a time of preparation for the oncoming feasts, the main ones being Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. The seminarian looks forward to these feasts not only as a break in his studies, but as the celebration of the feast of our Redemption.

So the seminarian views Lent in three ways: firstly, as a time of mortification, secondly, as a time for improvement, and thirdly as a time for preparation for one of the Church's greatest feasts—Easter.



Rev. Jerome Clifford, S.C.J. (R.), celebrated a First Mass for the student body.

On January 14, 1962, Father Clifford honored us here at Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary by coming and offering a First Solemn High Mass. Assisting were Rev. Robert McGuire as subdeacon, Rev. Nicholas Strittmatter as deacon, and Rev. Charles Van Duren as preacher.

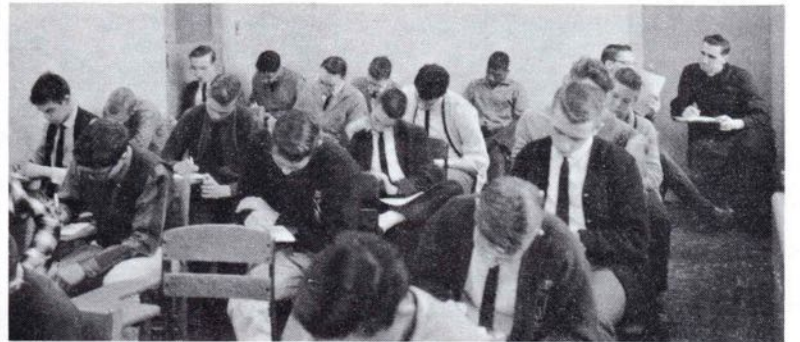
It was a wonderful occasion at the Seminary on that day. To see Father Clifford offer up his First Solemn Mass was a source of inspiration for all the seminarians at Bellefontaine. Here was a young priest who thirteen years before began just like the seminarians of today are beginning. But after years of prayer, work, study and sacrifice he was rewarded a hundredfold.

In the afternoon a banquet was held in Father Clifford's honor in our refectory. Present were the entire faculty and student body of Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary. Father Clifford's mother, relatives and other friends were also there to help him celebrate this happy occasion. After dinner, which was prepared by our Sisters, a few speeches were given to end the occasion.

Shortly after the meal the seminarians gathered in their chapel to receive the individual blessing of Father Clifford and Father Strittmatter.

We, the Seminarians of Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary, would like to express our grateful thanks to both Father Clifford and to Father Strittmatter for coming here and being our guests. They can be sure that our prayers are with them for a happy and successful ministry in the missions or schools, wherever Divine Providence has destined them to exercise their priestly ministry.

EXAMS . . EXAMS . . EXAMS



The quiet, busy atmosphere of examination time pervades the Sophomore classroom during their English exam.

In a literal and figurative sense many of the students can breathe more easily now that the mid-term examinations are over. These examinations served a double purpose. Looking back on them now we see them in a different light than we did when we were actually working our way through them. On the negative side they pointed out what we didn't learn. This started us looking for reasons why and we found our reasons in the misuse

of study or class time.

On the positive side we can say we have gone up the first step on our way to the priesthood. The examinations spotlighted the important material of the whole first semester and showed us that our good use of study and class time pays rich rewards. Learning from the past we will try to make the second semester a bigger step up the staircase leading to the priesthood.

SEMINARY SEWING CIRCLE



The library serves as the meeting place for the sewing circle.

The activities of skating, skiing, tobogganing and working which you read about in these pages, can be looked at from many points of view. They have a formative value. They help to make men of character, men physically and mentally healthy. But how would a mother look on these activities? Briefly let us try to see things from her point of view. She might ask immediately, "Are these activities safe?" Our answer—a simple yes. Next she might even come out and ask us a practical

question, which only our wonderful mothers can ask: "Well, who does the washing, cleaning, and mending of the clothes?" Our answer to this question cannot be as simple as our previous answer. In the past issue we saw that the Sisters are in charge of the kitchen and laundry department. But with sixty active boys, thenumber of pants, socks, shirts, jackets, etc. which need mending becomes considerable. Wonderful as the Sisters are, they are limited by the human capacity for work. Here is where the sewing circle comes into the activi-

ties of the seminary. These ladies by coming every other week for several hours, fulfill our sewing, mending, patching and other thread and needle work needs.

The ladies who belong to the Seminary Auxiliary, more commonly known to us as the sewing circle are: Mrs. Charles McCarty, Mrs. J. Berle Fielding, Mrs. William Stanley, Mrs. William Mackey, Mrs. Tom Johnson, Mrs. L. DiCicco, Mrs. William Roche, and Mrs. Katherine McGowan.

These ladies live in the vicinity of Bellefontaine and are the ones that answered to the Seminary's sewing problems. The seminarians and the members of the faculty of Bellefontaine would like to express their sincere appreciation to those who sacrifice their time and who volunteer their help to our Seminary. We also know that they will be blessed by the Sacred Heart and by the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in whose honor the Seminary was dedicated.

GUARDIAN ANGEL

The things I owe my guardian angel
Are so many to compel
I owe him my love,
The messenger from above;
I owe him my earnest desire,
To please God that is up higher;
My guardian angel owes me nothing,
But the things I owe him are really something;
He is the angel God has sent,
To lead me through my life long spent;
He guards me from the devil's work,
From God he wants me not to shirk.
This is how my little poem goes,
It shows we have a friend in our woes.

Ronnán Montemayor

OUR NURSE

Mrs. Leo Mahoney began her nursing career at St. Luke's Hospital in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. There she spent three years of training and another year as a registered nurse. She then took another year of extra training at Metropolitan State Psychiatric Hospital and at Boston City Hospital. Her training complete, she worked at North Adams Hospital for three more years and then came to Bellefontaine to offer her services in the care of the students.



Mrs. Mahoney and patient, Roger Conti.

Mrs. Mahoney is married and has four children. Coming every day from 12:30 to 2:30 and sometimes putting in extra time for particular occurrences, she says that she enjoys all the boys, including the ones that "talk too much."

The students as well as the faculty of Bellefontaine are very grateful and thankful to Mrs. Mahoney for the wonderful service and understanding with which she treats all her patients. We all hope that she will remain with us for a long time.

Why I Want to Become A Priest of The Sacred Heart

Often there are times when people have asked me, "Why did you choose to study for the priesthood?" There are other times too, perhaps more often than the first, when I ask myself, "How did I happen to choose the priesthood as my vocation; and why did I choose to become a priest of the Sacred Heart?"

When I start answering the above questions I must first ask myself what started this desire and interest in wanting to become a priest? The answer to this can be found during my grade school years, at about the time I was in the fifth grade. Previous to this, I would say about a year or two before, I remember my teacher talking about vocations and that God may have called some of us to convent or the seminary. This I thought about, and as the year rolled by, I began to think more and more about it. The priesthood held a greater attraction to me than anything else. What this attraction was at first, I cannot say. Maybe it was some kind of a hero-worship, or maybe it was something else. Then I became altar boy and the attraction to the priesthood still grew within me. In my heart I envied the priest for I was told many time by my teachers that a priest had a privilege that no one else had. That privilege was to offer the sacri-

ifice of the Mass, the greatest sacrifice on earth. I not only wanted to become a priest because the priesthood is one of the greatest means of personal sanctification, but also because the priest has the powers to help others to gain sanctity through the sacraments. So I desired to become a priest more than anything in the world.

But why did I choose the Sacred Heart Fathers? During the time I had been an altar boy, I had sent in a little slip requesting information on the Priests of the Sacred Heart. I had found this slip in a magazine. Following this I carried on a correspondence with Father Justin, S.C.J. After that things began to happen rapidly. Father Justin even came to see me one day to talk over any problems which I might have had to answer questions I had about the Seminary. One of the biggest results of my talk with Father was probably my making my mind up to become a priest of the Sacred Heart.

My dream of starting on the long road to the priesthood soon became a reality. I knew that I must not only be willing to serve God, but that I must be willing to make sacrifices in order to attain this goal. With this thought in mind, I left my home and my parents and I came here to Bellefontaine. And someday, God willing, I will become a priest of the Sacred Heart.

HONOR ROLL

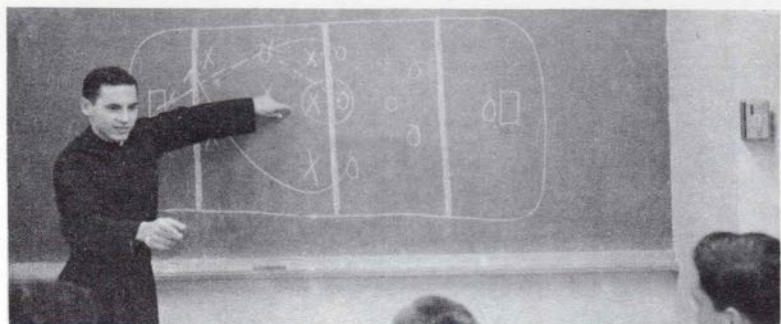
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- Albert Bannon
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MEET THE FACULTY



Frater David Jackson, S.C.J., points out some traditional hockey plays to the beginners.

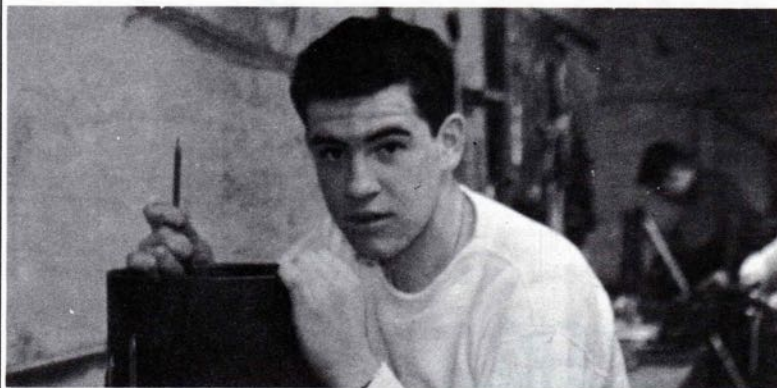
This month we would like to introduce to you one of our new faculty members. His name is Frater David Jackson, S.C.J., who came to Bellefontaine at the beginning of the school year.

Frater Jackson was born in Chicago, Illinois, on July 26, 1938. When he was ten years old, he moved to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In September of 1952, he entered the minor seminary at Donaldson, Indiana. At this seminary he proved to be a good student as well as a good athlete. After completing the required four years of high school education at Donaldson, he continued on his way to the priesthood by entering the Novitiate in St. Marie, Illinois. His fifteen months in the Novitiate passed swiftly, and he soon found himself at Kilroe Seminary in Honesdale, Pennsylvania. It was here that he received a request from Father Provincial that he withdraw from his studies, for one year, to come here to Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary to teach. He answered yes to the request, knowing that he would gain some valuable experience in teaching, even though it would mean postponing his ordination another year.

So Frater Jackson is now a teacher here at Bellefontaine, teaching Freshmen history and the Sophomores Latin. He also holds the position of Assistant Prefect of discipline, and also the position of athletic director. As any student will tell you Frater Jackson has been the dominant factor in promoting a very wonderful sports program. The students really appreciate the time and the effort that Frater contributes to their physical care and development.

On Frater Jackson's return to his studies for the priesthood, he will enter Sacred Heart Monastery at Hales Corners, Wisconsin, where he will begin studying theology. So, at the end of the school year, he will leave Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary to continue his own studies for the priestly life, but none will ever stop thanking him, including the Sacred Heart, for his sacrifice of coming here to teach. I am sure that he will be remembered by all the seminarians in their prayers, for Frater has something in common with all of us seminarians—we all are striving for the same goal, the priesthood.

SOPHOMORE OF THE MONTH



Sophomore of the Month, Gary McInnis, enjoys his work with Father Hoggia in the carpenter shop.

Gary McInnis, this month's choice for "Sophomore of the Month," was born on April 9, 1946, in Naples, Italy. Three months later his family moved to Flint, Michigan, where he is now living.

Gary's grade school years were spent at Holy Redeemer's grammar school in Flint, Michigan, undoubtedly where he first began to shape his gentle smile and his friendly disposition. After completing his eight years of grammar school training, Gary made up his mind to become a priest. So he enrolled at Divine Heart Seminary in Donaldson, Indiana, where he first began studying for the priesthood. After volunteering to come to Bellefontaine, Gary was chosen to be one of the first sophomores at the new seminary acquired by the Priests of the Sacred Heart.

In regards to his studies, Gary is considered to be a hard-working student—although it's hard to find him in too serious a mood or without a cheerful word for everyone. His favorite subjects are Latin and Geometry; the latter, though, is his best subject percentage-wise.

On Saturdays Gary is the captain of the chapel crew. He always tries his best to keep the House of God sparkling clean. On other days Gary is kept busy helping Father Hoggia, the handyman of the seminary, in the workshop.

Gary's favorite sports are football and hockey. In football, it is an undisputed statement that he is the best lineman in the school and is backed up by the fact that Gary received a football letter and a trophy for his ability and his sportsmanship in football. His skill in hockey is also very praiseworthy. He spends his free time playing ping pong or working on some creative project in the workshop.

Gary has a very fine voice which makes him one of the best cantors in the school choir. We look for much from Gary in the future in all his many capacities.

REDEMPTION

O, Almighty Father, omnipotent,
 Instill in my soul an overwhelming content.
 In the beginning of the world, when it first began,
 You enkindled on the earth a creature called man.
 As the Bible states and all know too,
 You gave man a trial to test him through.
 It seems that day the devil came
 And won for himself his first human claim.
 After the Redemption by Your Son,
 Heaven's opening had been finally won.
 Now despite our sins and many misgivings,
 You hold not back from bestowing Your blessings.
 O, all-merciful Father please excuse
 All the temptations which we cannot refuse.
 Please help us in our daily lives,
 And infuse the graces to survive.

Thomas Rieser

Bellefontaine Offers Boys An Opportunity. Boys willing to accept the challenge will find an absorbing message in our free booklet. Write now for the CHALLENGE at our expense.

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WRITE: Father Richard
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Tree clearing for the Seminary addition

The Rector's Corner



a memorial building—one which you can make a living remembrance for your deceased ones. If you desire more information on how you can present the memorial please write to me. A memorial to a Seminary is unique insofar as remembrance will be carried on by the young seminarians who progress to the priesthood. As your future priests and missionaries, they will be remembering in their daily Masses, the friends who aided them to reach such a dignity in God's service. Therefore, it is to you that we are giving the first opportunity to choose the Memorials you would like to present to the Seminary.

Some time ago, I sent you a letter asking you to share in the novena of Masses which will begin on April 22nd. May we include your intentions in those Masses?

The generosity of young men who are giving themselves to God are looking forward to your generosity to help them attain their end.

Every day the benefactors of the Seminary are remembered in the daily prayers of our seminarians, Brothers and Fathers. We hope that you will say a prayer for us once in a while.

God Bless You!

Sincerely in Christ

Father M. Shive

My dear Friends,

When you receive this issue of our school paper, the first semester of our school year will be history. It is not only a first semester but the first, in the strict sense, that none went before it. As we look back over the past few months, Immaculate Heart of Mary has much to be thankful for. In giving our thanks we want to include you as one of our first friends.

Like all beginnings, we had, and still have, our problems; with your help and prayers we have managed. Meeting the monthly bills and solving the problems which are common to every family, has not been easy. The program that lies ahead is even more a cause for concern. With the increase of vocations, we are going to expand, or should I say, double the present size of our facilities by adding an addition to our Seminary. This addition will consist of chapel, classrooms, dining hall, gymnasium, and recreation rooms, etc.

The Seminary addition will be

Dear Mom and Dad,

It does not seem possible that two months ago I was leaving home to start my second semester here in the seminary. The Fathers said that the second semester would go by very quickly, and you can't imagine how fast it has been going. With each day I enjoy my Seminary life very much and am quite happy of my choice to come to Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary.

I know you received my semester marks and I'm not offering any excuses or apologies, but that I will try to do better in history this coming semester. I am going to have to. Just a few of the boys did not do too well in history. I know that is not a good comparison, but at least it made me feel good that I was not the only one who "flubbed".

The big excitement around the Seminary at the present time is the new addition, which will be started very soon. You know we were just a little crowded in September, and in order to try to have more space this year, we are going to build. It's going to be the Memorial Seminary. You asked about the Memorials in your letter, Mom, it means that you can have something kept in remembrance of some deceased or some intention. The Chapel pews are in the Memorial list, and they are for \$600 each. You have thirty-six months to make the payments. I think it would be fine to make the Memorial for Grandma and Grandpa. Who knows, I might be kneeling in that pew next year.

The winter sports have become quite a favorite with all of us this year, and we are enjoying every minute of it. Did you know that we can go down our front lawn on skis and toboggans? Recently, we have been going over to Laurel Lake, which is just a mile and a half hike from the Seminary. I have not been doing too well on the skates, but at least I'm trying to play hockey. My ankles tell me that I should be the goalie.

I am getting ready for a part in the Freshman play. Not very big, but at least I am going to make my debut to the theater. We are going to put it on in a few more weeks. It is supposed to be a comedy. I don't think I should have too much trouble being natural in such a play.

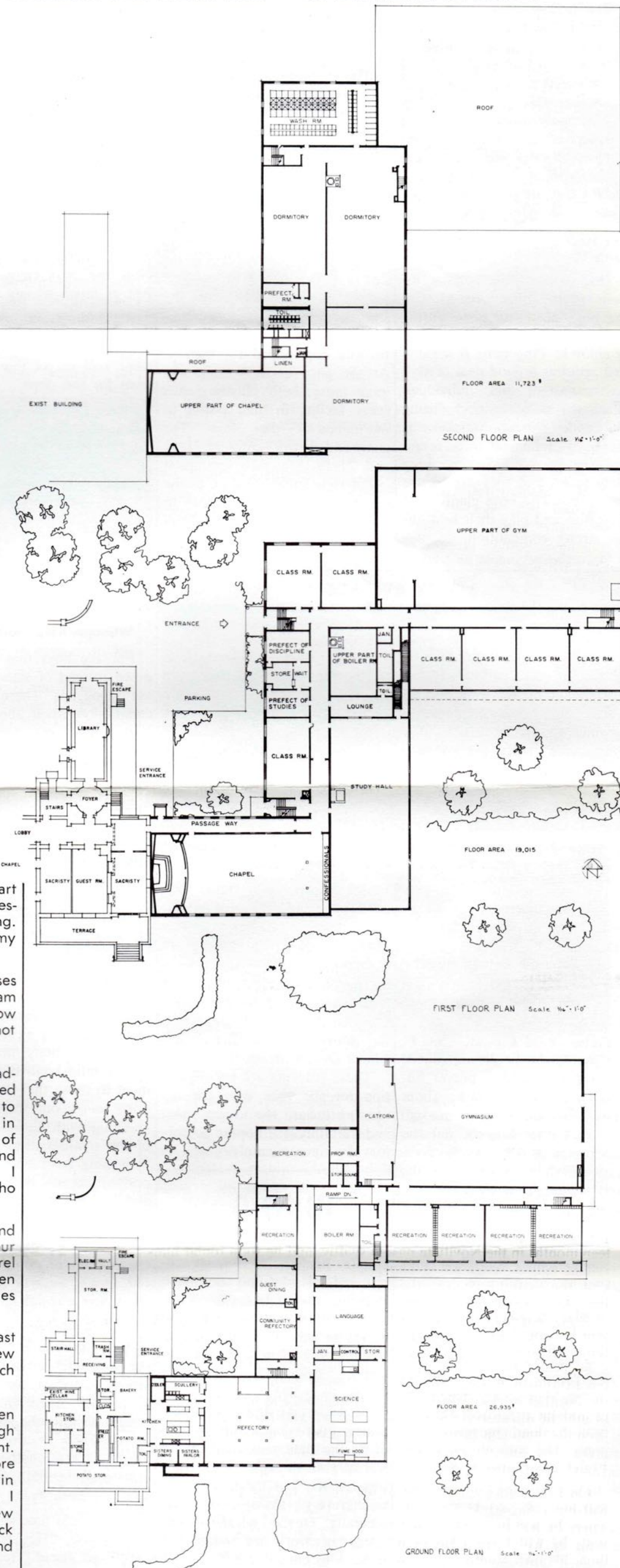
Well, Mom and Dad, this is my first Lent at the Seminary and it is taken quite seriously. We are a little more conscious of little sacrifices, and even though we don't have too many to make, it's up to each individual to make his own Lent. It's not very hard to give up candy in the Seminary as we have only certain store days to buy candy even during the year, but I think I will give up those certain store days. Is Johnny going to give up "Dennis the Menace" again this year? I will be thinking of all of you during this Holy Season, and especially in the few visits that I will be making to the chapel I will be praying for all of you back home. I have to run along to study period now, but with loads of love and prayers, I am

Your Son,

Joe

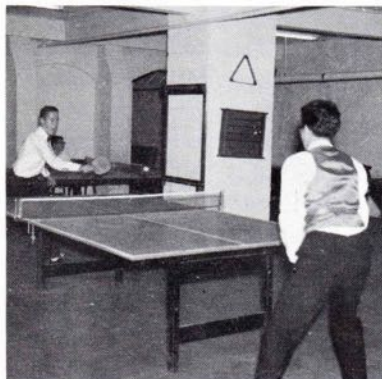
P. S. Please send my green tie for St. Patrick's Day.

MEMORIAL SEMINARY



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Ping Pong Champ



Pat Houterman, (L.) and Tony Ortiz (R.)

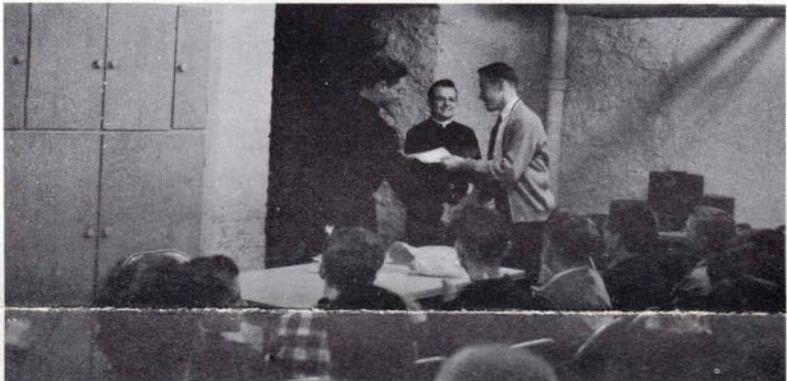
One of our most popular indoor sports is ping pong. Most of the boys play this game during the evening recreations and really enjoy it. Ping pong is a game that requires a good deal of skill on the part of the individual. When the students meet during the inside recreations, there is plenty of excitement to be found in the room. We have three ping pong tables and they are in use constantly. The boys gladly wait their turn and play their best under strong competition.

Once the beginners as well as

the pros are in top playing condition, we have a ping pong tournament. The tournament this year really caught the attention of all of the students and most of them participated.

The standing and results of the ping pong tournament certainly proved to be very interesting. The semi-finals ended with Terry Brady against Tony Ortiz and Eugene Lavoie against Pat Houterman. The results of the semi-finals came to a dramatic close with Terry Brady beating Tony Ortiz and Pat Houterman defeating Eugene Lavoie. On the 3rd of February the two battled for the championship. All the students were present at this event. They cheered on their favorite and hoped for victory. As the pace became more and more tense, both players used every facility in their power to out-manuever the other. The game ended with scores of 21-11 and 21-19. Our new champion—Pat Houterman. Out of all the matches he played leading up to and including the championship, Pat lost only one game.

LETTER AWARDS



As Father Paul Casper, S.C.J. looks on, Pat Houterman is presented his "A" League letter by Frater David Jackson, S.C.J.

The student body eagerly awaited the afternoon of January 29th when the sports director, Frater David Jackson, S.C.J., would give the football awards. The football season was an exciting one for the seminarians of Bellefontaine.

Father Paul Casper, S.C.J., our prefect of discipline, started the ceremony with a prayer followed by a lively talk about Frater Jackson's career as an athlete. Father brought out the importance of sports in the seminary and the willingness that the boys should have to participate in our sports program. He then gave the floor to Frater Jackson.

Before Frater awarded the letters and trophies, he gave a short talk on the significance of the sports program and also on the appreciation of those who did receive awards. He pointed out to the students that those who didn't receive letters should try to better themselves wherever improvement is needed. He ended his talk with the pleasure of awarding the letters and trophies and congratulating the boys on their fine work.

Starting off with the "B" League, Frater awarded letters to four of its players. He then continued with the "A" League and finished off with awarding the trophies. Among those to receive awards were Frank Brauer,

Bernie Schaar, John Henn, Terry Trotochaud, Pat Reddy, Pat Houterman, John Kasper, Mike Hess, Francis Sabo, and Tom Rieser.

The ones doubly blessed with both awards and trophies were Gary McInnis and Roger Conti for ability; and Jim Brune and Chuck Dymmer for sportsmanship.

These students are an inspiration for the ones who are advancing toward the same goal and certainly are hoping to follow the same example.

HIKING

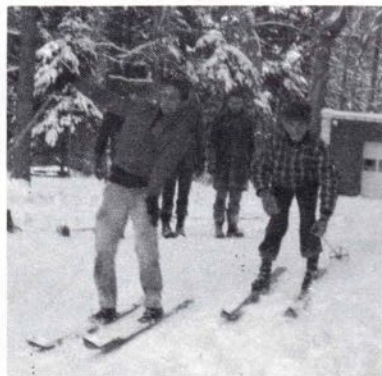
Each season of the year is unique. Each holds its own secrets and splendor and each is an inspiring challenge to the seminarians. It is in this spirit of challenge that the seminarian sets out to explore and conquer, and it is from this that the hike is sure to evolve.

To undertake and have a successful hike takes a combination of determination as well as a sturdy pair of legs. Like any other sport, it is meant to make us mature physically and also mentally. Out of necessity, one needs teamwork and good will if he is to endure the long trek in harmony and happiness.

When keeping in mind all these factors the hike is off to a

Skiing — Tobogganing

Along with the snow that we have received, there also has come the trend for skiing and tobogganing. Skiing was first introduced to the student body when an enthusiastic sophomore, by the name of Gary Borrowdale, took out the only pair of skis and made himself a ski run down the side of the hill in front of the building. Since then the need for skis has increased for many wanted to try out this new sport. Therefore, Father Hudson, S.C.J., purchased more skis. Now the boys enjoy this sport just as much as any other. Just as soon as the snow is ready for the skiers, the skiers are ready for the snow. Many of them can't wait to get those skis and head for the slope.



Whoops! Easy there, Jim.

For the boys that like to sit down instead of stand up, there are toboggans. There is quite a commotion when about four or five students get together and send themselves speeding down a hill. The more daring boys attempt to conquer "suicide hill", located to the south of the building. A big crowd gathers at the bottom of the hill to watch the tobogganers swoop down the steep slope. The slope located in the front of the building is not as steep but is considerably longer. Tobogganers and skiers alike really give it a workout.

Skiing and tobogganing have certainly increased in popularity we have more snow. Beginners and those with experience pre- and will definitely increase when sent a solid bond of encouragement to those that are still wavering to try out these sports.

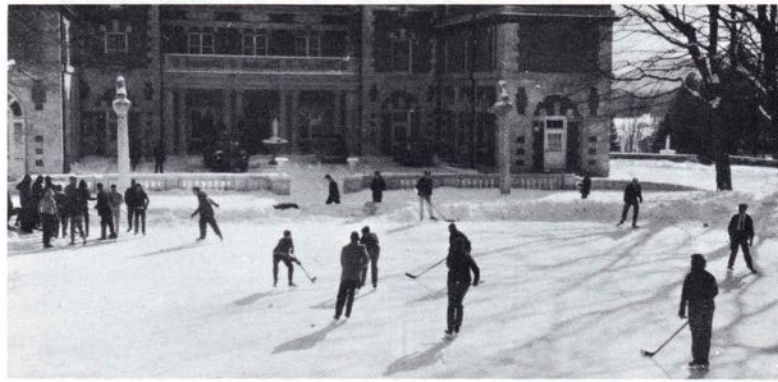
Along with the other sports of the seminary, skiing and tobogganing have become an important means of development and enjoyment.

good start. When we reach the summit of our hike and our ideas, we will have shared them and our hike will have been a success.

Yes, the hike is a great thing for the seminary. In it are represented many of the necessary and all important elements which go into the making of a seminarian. Contained within it are physical strengthening, social belonging, mental growth and spiritual maturity.

So the next time someone calls out to you, "Hey let' go for a hike", go ahead. Here is everything you'd ever want. It is the seminary spirit that calls you to the spectacular sights.

ICE SKATING IN THE BERKSHIRES



Many will look back on this year as one of the best for skating, thanks to the rink in back of the house.

From a sunken garden, once the scene of extravagant fashion shows, to a seminary skating rink is certainly a radical change. But this is just the change brought about on the plot of ground located directly in front of the seminary. Cold weather, cooperation of the fire department in lending us a hose, and several hours of flooding proved to be the combination which lead to a skating rink.

Ice hockey has really gained popularity among the students. A league has been formed which plays regularly on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons. Everyone is trying to buy a hockey stick and puck try it. The number of skates in the school quickly doubled from about twenty-five pairs to fifty. The more acquainted players, joined by some of the faculty, picked up teams. We soon saw why hockey is known as one of the fastest moving sports. Soon a demand for more ice was apparent. The supply was furnished by nearby Laurel Lake. Here, literally miles of ice satisfy hockey and skating enthusiasts. Wednesday and Sunday witness the mass exodus of those heading for Laurel Lake. After an enjoyable afternoon, the boys return to tell of their experiences for the rest of the day.

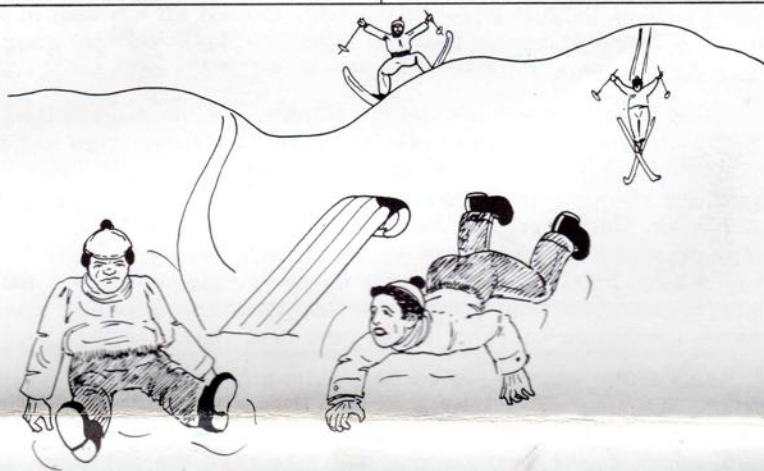
Ice skating is in full swing and

the students daily look forward to it. The faculty also like the sport and they actively participate in it. This is another means by which the students can grow physically and maintain a spirit which is in the heart of every athlete.

VOCATION PRAYER

O Dearest Jesus—Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate—grant to our boys and girls—the generosity necessary to follow Thy call—and the courage required to overcome all obstacles to their vocation. Give to parents—that faith, love, and spirit of sacrifice—which will inspire them to offer their children to God's service—and cause them to rejoice exceedingly—whenever one of their children is called to the Religious Life. Let Thy example—and that of Thy Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph—encourage both children and parents—and let Thy grace sustain Them. Amen. Imprimatur Lambert A. Hoch, Easter 1957, Bishop of Sioux Falls.

(Plenary indulgence may be gained, under the usual conditions, if above prayer is recited daily for an entire month, indulgence of seven years for each recitation. 'Raccolta 562')



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