

Bellefontaine

New Addition Under Construction

The ground-breaking ceremony for the new addition to our Seminary was held on March 26th, the Feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady. This ceremony, which was performed by Father McGuire, Superior of I.H.M., began the construction of an addition which will cover 58,500 square feet.

When completed on March 1, 1963, the new addition will contain a gymnasium, a study hall for from 180 to 200 students, seven recreation rooms, offices, languages and science laboratories, seven class-rooms, dining hall, kitchen facilities, and a chapel with a 225-student capacity. The new addition will cover nearly twice the area of the present building.



Ground breaking ceremonies took place above the site of the new refectory and below the site of the new chapel.

As a preparation for construction, the land at the north and east section of the former Bellefontaine mansion, to which the new section will be added, had to be cleared. This task has been undertaken by local contractors, the Sullivan Brothers.

This addition is being built in order to accommodate an increase in vocations. The Seminary was opened in September, 1961 with a freshmen and a sophomore class. A junior year will be added in September 1962, and a senior year, in 1963.

By September of this year, part of the addition should be finished for the incoming students.

A two-story section of the addition, running east, will connect to the northeast end of the present building. The addition will turn north into a three-story section, then east again two floors, and finally north in a single section.

The final section of the addition will be a 100x68 gymnasium, which will contain one conventional size basketball court,

running the length of the gym, and two smaller courts on the short dimensions of the building.

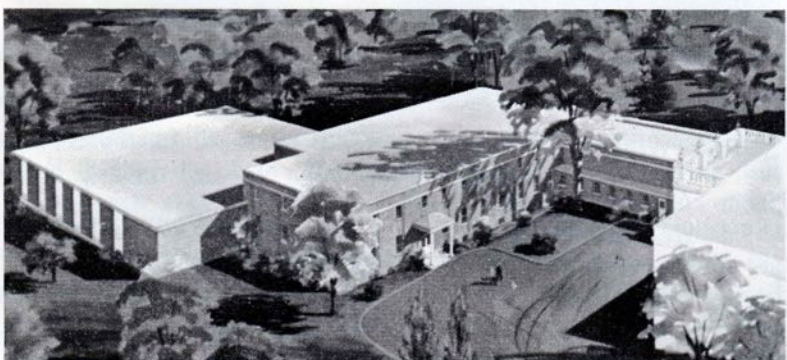
The ground floor in the new addition will contain a bakery, a kitchen-scully, a dining room, and a parlor for the Oblates of Love Sisters, a science room, language laboratory, both community and guest dining rooms, seven recreation rooms and a boiler room.

On the first floor, there will be the student chapel, which will be finished in a contemporary motif, a large study-hall, seven class-rooms, and office for the Prefect of Discipline, and the Prefect of Studies.

The top floor of the one three-story section, will have dormitories and shower facilities.

The building is being designed in such a way, that it will be in harmony with the present building.

We hope that the Sacred Heart will bless our endeavors to meet with the increase of vocations with which He has blessed us.



Artist's conception of Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary's new wing.

Freshman Stage Hit Comedy

The freshmen play of the year, **George Washington Slept Here**, was nearly sunk! Chuck Dymer, the leading "lady", contracted a broken leg while skating at Laurel Lake. Chuck, or "Annabelle" as he is called in the play, had a large cast on his right leg and the play was postponed for four weeks.

Fritz Sabo played the part of Newton Fuller. Newton is a country-lover and wishes to obtain a place of his own in the country. Annabelle does not share Newton's views. But Newton is not alone in his dream of a country place, for his picture-taking son, Chester, played by Glenn Klipp, one of his nephews, Steve, played by Bud Smith, also share Newton's adventurous spirit. Much comedy is also brought to the scene through two characters, Raymond and Guiseppe. Raymond, played by Gregory Speck, is a bratty nephew of Newton who is always getting into trouble. Guiseppe, played by Roger Conti, is Newton's Italian cook who encounters much difficulty in Newton's dream house. Newton's dream house also has its neighbors. Annabelle quickly takes a dislike to Mrs. Douglas, played by Robert Graziano, who is a busybody and a flower-raising neighbor. Along in the story the Fullers are also visited by Clayton Evens, (Richard Burton) and his attendant (Alan Waters) who are residents of the "Laughing



Pat Houterman (l.) and Chuck Dymer in "George Washington".

Brook Estate". More humor is brought into the story through Mr. Kimber (Ronald Furlong), a farm-hand on Newton's property. And finally, the plot of the story is developed through Mr. Prescott and Uncle Stanley. Mr. Prescott, played by Daniel Sowinski, is the mean fore-closer; and Uncle Stanley, played by Pat Houterman, is an Uncle who pretends to be rich.

Despite Annabelle's obvious handicap the play was a big success. All the parents who came on Visiting Sunday saw the play that afternoon. A performance for the student body was put on that night.

As the play unfolded, Newton obtained his one desire—a place in the country. Annabelle—con-

Father General Visits Bellefontaine



V. Rev. Father Joseph DePalma, S.C.J., chats with a few students about S.C.J. mission activity.

Bellefontaine has been privileged to be visited by the Superior General, Father Joseph DePalma, S.C.J. Father DePalma like so many other important persons, has a tremendous responsibility placed upon him. He has to guide the whole S.C.J. Congregation throughout the world, which is a huge task for anyone. Father became Superior General on July 14, 1959, seven months after the former Superior General, Father Alphonse Lellig, S.C.J. died.

On a visitation of the American S.C.J. Province, Father General first stopped at the newest house in the province—Bellefontaine. His usual home is in Rome, Italy, where he manages the affairs of the Congregation. He arrived at Bellefontaine from Rome on April 5th.

During his stay, almost all of the students got a chance to meet and to talk with him. None of the students had ever seen Father General before, for this is his first visit to the American province since his appointment as Superior General in 1959. Most of the faculty members, though, had already met Father; for they knew him when he was Provincial of the American Province. All of the students who talked with Father DePalma were deeply impressed by his kindness and his cheerfulness. It was easily seen why he had been chosen among the hundreds of S.C.Js. throughout the world, to fill the office of Superior General. One can't help but see his natural quality of leadership and his deeply rooted piety.

On April 15th, the students presented a talent show for Father General. After the show, Father expressed his gratitude and his appreciation to the students who presented the show.

While visiting here, Father DePalma was also pleased to see the work being done on the new addition which is being constructed.

Before Father's visit came to a close, he gave a conference to the students in the chapel. He talked about many things. He also said that he was thankful that he made the trip to the American province, and he congratulated the students for their fine work in their studies and for their good spirits.

Father's visit came to a close, and the students were sorry to see him leave. But Father still had to visit many other places before he would go back to Rome. On April 16th, the students and the faculty bid Father DePalma good-bye, and he went to the next place on his agenda, for the visitation of the American province.

HONOR ROLL

The following students have received an average of ninety or above in all of their subjects, and have received an A in Conduct and Application.

SOPHOMORES

A. Cudzewicz

FRESHMEN

A. Bannon

C. Dymer

G. Klipp

D. Sowinski

A. Waters

trary to Newton—hated the country, and at once took a disliking to the old place. Newton had bought the place because somebody had said General Washington had slept in it. But Newton was no financier, as the fore-closer on his property showed. Mean, old Mr. Prescott, the fore-closer, is momentarily baffled when he finds that Newton has a map that takes a large piece from his land. He recovers to tell Newton, "... But you've not got \$5,000 . . ." Uncle Stanley saves the day by pretending to have the money.

We would like to thank all the freshmen and Frater Pavlik, S.C.J., for the time and effort spent in producing this play, and for the wonderful performance.

The Rector's Corner



Dear Future Seminarians,
I am writing this letter to you in a very noisy atmosphere. Two large bulldozers are under my office window pushing dirt away for the foundation of I.H.M.'s addition. We are all very happy to see what is going on despite the disturbance—the building program is on it's way! After many months of planning, it is wonderful to see what was once on paper now become a reality. The whole building will not be complete for the coming school year but a section of it will. God willing, we will have a guy, four class-rooms, and four recreation rooms; we are hoping for more but we will have to wait and see how the program develops. There is no doubt that some of

you who are reading this letter will be the first class to move into the addition.

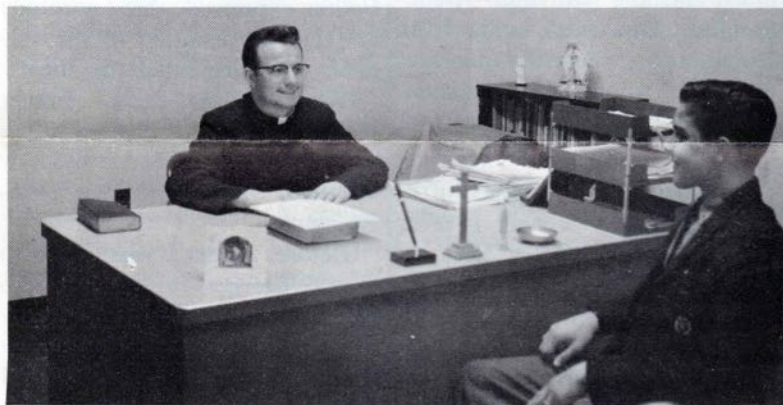
I hope you are continuing to pray for your vocation and for vocations all over the world. Pope John XXIII recently appealed to Catholics throughout the world for generosity following the footsteps of Christ. He said the present need for priests in the world is over 130,000. Your coming to the Seminary now will not answer the present shortage but it will be an answer for the future.

The seminarians at Bellefontaine are celebrating their first season of Lent and they find it different from the Lents at home. They live in the same house with Our Lord and the extra visits to the chapel during the day are very convenient. I hope you are making good use of Lent in preparation for your coming to the Seminary in September.

Wishing you and your family a Very Blessed Easter, I am
Sincerely in Christ,

Father M. Guine

MEET THE FACULTY



Father Casper, S.C.J., is constantly at work counseling the students. Clent Martin, (r.).

This month the "Bellefontaine" would like to introduce to our readers, Father Paul Casper, S.C.J., Prefect of Discipline.

Father Casper was born on April 29, 1930, in St. Paul, Minnesota. Starting on the road to the priesthood at the age of fourteen, he entered Divine Heart Seminary in September of 1944. After completing his high school studies, he went to Saint Marie, Illinois, the novitiate of the Priests of the Sacred Heart.

Father Casper took vows a year later and went on to Hales Corners, where he took four years of Philosophy. Then he was assigned to Dehon Seminary, Massachusetts, a school for adult vocations. After one year, he went to Hales Corners where he completed his study in Theology.

The long awaited event in his life finally came on May 25, 1957. Father Casper was ordained by Albert Cardinal Meyer, then Archbishop of Milwaukee, in St. John's Cathedral. After his ordination, Father Casper went back to Hales Corners to finish the rest of his studies.

In the fall of 1959, Father Casper was appointed to teach Latin at Divine Heart Seminary, Donaldson, Indiana. This appointment he gladly accepted. Father's next appointment was Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary, in Lenox, Massachusetts. Here the seminarians are proud to have Father Casper as their Prefect of Discipline. And, besides being second assistant to

the Superior, Father teaches Latin to the freshmen and religion to the sophomores. Father Casper has done much this year to help this new Seminary get started.

The students of Bellefontaine would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation and gratitude to the person who has done so much for us—Father Paul M. Casper, S.C.J.

Tips on Stamp Collecting

The last article of "Bellefontaine" pointed out the different ways in which a stamp collection can be started. Some of the tips on stamp collecting which were told us by Gregory Speck are listed below. Stamp collecting, being a large scale hobby, many want to know ways to improve their own collections. Many of the seminarians have gained interest in collecting and purchased their stamps from the C.S.M.-C. This money aids the C.S.M.C.

Never a Dull Moment

Let's take a look in at our dining room. Dinner is about to begin and the blessing has been given. A small freshmen with shaking legs stands at the large Gothic lectern and begins to read: "The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John . . ." Yes, this is one of the most common happenings here at I.H.M., for it happens three time a day at the beginning of each meal.



Glenn Klipp, lectoring.

At breakfast a short sketch of the life of the saint whose feast day it is, is read. Dinner and supper begin with the reading of several verses of the New Testament. Except for special feasts and occasions, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, the rest of the meal is eaten in silence by the students while the lector reads. He will read some interesting novel such as **The Man Who Got Even With God**. The meal is then closed with the reading of a few lines from the "Imitation of Christ."

Once in a while the lector will lose confidence and give way to his natural nervousness. For instance take the lector who said, "Imitation of Thomas a' Kempis by Christ." Or another one who happened to read the text of St. John's Gospel with a minor change. Instead of saying: "Rise up, take up thy pallet and walk;" he said, "Wise up, take up thy pallet and walk." And according to another lector, Mary offered as a sacrifice of purification two penguins instead of two pigeons.

Although it is not the duty of the lector to be a humorist, it sometimes turns out that he is. Reading, just as any other thing in the seminarian's daily schedule, has its purpose in preparing him for the priesthood. But all in all it only goes to show that in the seminarians life there is never a dull moment.

unit here and, in turn, the missions.

The best type of stamp album is a hard covered one and stamp hinges should be used instead of tape or glue. The latter takes away the value of the stamp because it can cause the printing to be removed. Another good suggestion is to have doubles of all your stamps, and even triples, so that you can use them for trading purposes. It is advisable to keep your extra stamps in some sort of wrapping paper to keep them in good condition.

Dear Mom and Dad,

It doesn't seem possible, but I know it is a fact, that we have just another month of school and my first year in the Seminary will be on record. It has been a very happy year and I know that both of you are just as happy as I am. I enjoy it very much and want to continue as I did the first day I came. Everyone has told me just how quickly the time would go and now I am beginning to realize how right they were. Still many things have happened since my last letter and I'll try to bring you up on the latest news.

The middle of March we had our Mission Day in honor of the founder's birthday, which was quite an experience. I thought I would not like to hear a lot of discussions, lectures and contests, but since it was so personal that everyone got interested, the day went by quickly. I am not one of the fortunate ones in any of the contests, but we did give them a good run for their money by coming in second on two occasions. I was amazed to see all the mission material that the boys had collected for the past few months and put on display for our education of the different countries. It was very good.

By this time you have received my report card and I have no apologies for the low mark in history. I don't know what happened as I thought I was ready for quarterly exams, but, I guess, I was a little too confident in the idea of just what I did know. It will come up higher this coming month. We are going to have all our Holy Week services here in the chapel and for most part they are going to be solemn. I have never seen the Passion sung by three priests so it's going to be a new experience for me too. I will be looking forward to seeing you on Holy Saturday. I hope Grandma and Grandpa can come along.

In a few days the Superior General of the congregation will be coming to the United States and is going to spend almost a week with us here at I.H.M. I have never met a Superior General and they tell me that Father Joseph DePalma, S.C.J. is a wonderful priest. He is one of the Fathers from this Province so we are all feeling how proud the American Province is to have the Superior General one from the United States.

On the Feast of the Annunciation, March 26th, we had a ground-breaking ceremony for the new addition. Father McGuire took out the first shovel of dirt and gave us a short talk. We were all standing just at the side of the house but Father said that we are in a very good spot because our bodies were in the refectory and our heads were in the chapel. An hour after we had the ground-breaking ceremonies, the bull-dozers came in and now we are seeing the beginning of the new project. It is quite noisy but we have a lot to watch during our breaks between classes. It is even a great temptation to watch it during class but drapes have been put in our classrooms, so now we are looking strictly at the blackboard. You will be surprised to see just how much has been done by the big machinery in the past week.

Well, here Lent is just about over and I don't know just where it went. However, I do know that it has been a very nice Lent and one which I received a lot of spiritual values from. For the first time I realize just how close the season of Lent is with the daily Mass and that was a good way to begin each day. As our schedule is very close, Father Casper, our Prefect, told us to just do the ordinary things in an extraordinary way. I guess that's what made Lent so very pleasant.

Well Mom and Dad, this will be all for now but I know I missed a birthday during the past few weeks, but I will try to get a little note off to Edward very soon. Looking forward to seeing all of you at Easter and continuing to remember all of you in my prayers, I am

Your loving son,

Joe

THOU ART A PRIEST FOREVER

"To live in the midst of the world withoutstanding its pleasures;
To be a member of each family, yet belong to none; ,
To share all sufferings;
To penetrate all secrets;
To heal all wounds;
To go from men to God and of-

fer Him their prayers;
To return from God to men to bring pardon and hope;
To have a heart of fire for charity and a heart of bronze for chastity;
To teach and to pardon, console and bless always. My God, what a life!
And it is yours, O Priest of Jesus Christ!"

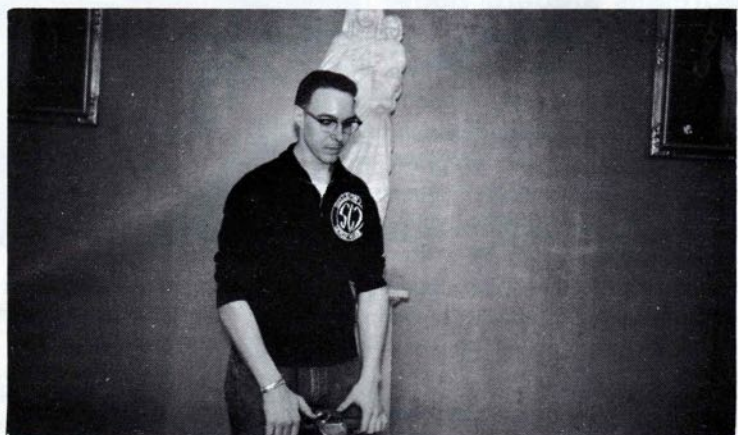
—Lacordaire

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SOPHOMORE OF THE MONTH



Cleaning floors is only one of the many tasks of Mike Fech, Sophomore of the Month.

Michael Fech, this month's choice for "Sophomore of the Month", was born on February 9, 1946, in Toledo, Ohio. At the age of three, Mike moved with his family to Whiting, Indiana, where his present home is located. He attended St. John the Baptist grade school in Whiting, Indiana. It was probably in this school that he first began to develop his talent on the basketball court.

After finishing his grammar school years, Mike entered Divine Heart Seminary in Donaldson, Indiana. At that time, this was the only minor seminary of the Priests of the Sacred Heart in the United States. Continuing on the road to the priesthood, Mike came as a volunteer to Bellefontaine. Next September Mike will go back to Divine Heart Seminary. His older brother, Bill, who is a year ahead of Mike in studies, will be graduating from there next year.

Towering 6'2", Mike has great ability on the athletic field. His favorite sports are basketball and football. His talent in basketball was clearly shown last year when he scored many points through his accurate aim and timely shots. This year his talent has been somewhat hampered by the lack of basketball facilities. Because of his height and good build, he has also done

very well on the football field, and is considered one of the best linemen in our school. An all-around athlete, he is an asset to any team.

Geometry is Mike's favorite subject, and Latin is rated second by him. He is a hard working student and does very well in all of his studies. For work period, Mike is the captain of the first-floor crew. It is a very hard job to manage this crew; for this first-floor is the most used floor of the building and it extends over a larger area than the other floors do. But nevertheless, Mike manages this crew very well and fulfills all the responsibility laid upon him when he became captain of the crew. Mike's ability to manage a crew is shown very well in the fact that he is captain of a dish team which is noted for its cleanliness and its efficiency.

Most of Mike's recreation time is spent in playing pool and ping pong, two games which require a lot of time and practice, if one wants to be skilled in them. He is a very tough opponent in ping pong because he has a very good advantage over his adversaries on account of his height.

Mike is one of the most liked students in the sophomore class. We look for much from him in the future in his many capacities.

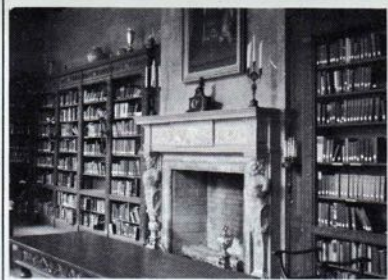
Room with Classical Atmosphere

Perhaps the most beautiful room at Bellefontaine, aside from the chapel, is the library. It was the only section of the building that was not destroyed by the fire of 1949, when it belonged to the Fathers of Mercy. The rich, dark-colored wood ceiling and the huge marble fireplace give the room a very peaceful and meditative atmosphere, most suitable for reading.

But the beauty of our library is not the main reason we consider it a good library. The thousands of books in it, ranging from eighteenth-century works to modern publications, provide an abundance of reading material in many fields. The history and literature sections appear at this time to be the most widely used. During the two library periods each week, it is a familiar sight to see large groups of students in the library searching for the right books to suit their tastes; they are not usually disappointed.

Actually, there are two sections to the library—the lower

one which was described above and the upper section which now has a secondary purpose as the sophomore's study hall. This serves as the 'stack room' and reference room combined. Of course the sophomores do not mind this since looking up something in the encyclopedia is at arm's reach.



The downstairs I.H.M. library.

At present the librarian, Stanley Schmidt, is cataloging our books, having learned much from the Dominican Sisters of Caldwell, New Jersey. With the librarians doing their job so well and the needed books arriving, it is only a matter of time until our library will be the best possible working tool it should be.

Everyone Has Talent

Every first Thursday of the month, the student body gets together to have a class night. These gatherings are just to have fun in a general way. They are composed of skits, jokes, singing, and other means of entertainment. The program is led by a moderator who has the different skits and performances lined up so that the program will run smoothly. These class nights have the main purpose of joining the students and increasing the general school spirit. Both sophomore and freshman classes participate in the activities.

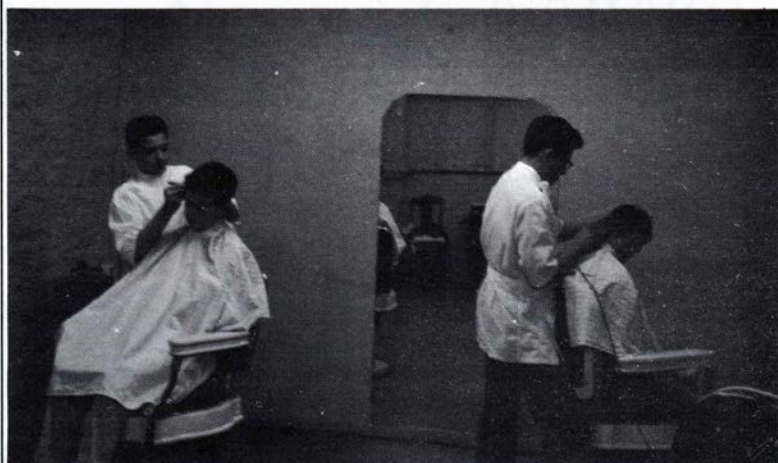
Some of the popular skits or performers and their performances are: Alan Waters who always has some sort of mechanical or magical device up his sleeve. He is called the "school magician" because of his interest in magic and practical application of experiments. Another great performer is Gary Borrowdale who fascinates the students either with his ability to draw or as a moderator of the evening. Gary has unusual talent for thinking up new things to do, such as flying boomerangs, fashion shows, etc. Some of the other performers are; Ronald Furlong who assists Alan Waters in many of his experiments; Patrick Houterman, who moderates many of the class nights and keeps them alive with all sorts of gimmicks for the student body; another is Charles Dymmer who has taken the part of Annabelle in the freshmen play. These and many others have helped to improve these class nights and to make them a worth while project.

New Member To The I.H.M. Community

Relieved of his missionary appointment, Brother John Haselhof, S.C.J., has come to Bellefontaine, which will be his new home for the present. Brother John was born in Odebolt, Iowa. After discovering his vocation, he decided to become a S.C.J. Brother. Thus, he entered into our congregation.

Brother John, shortly after he became a Brother, became the first American Brother of our congregation to go to the foreign missions, in 1951. He spent many years working with our Fathers in Africa, taking care of the farm and construction work in our 17,000 square miles of territory there. Acquainted and skilled in the many phases of construction work, he worked side by side with the native laborers from morning to night. Under his direction, many buildings have been built in our South African missions.

But now Brother John has been appointed to Bellefontaine, after his many years of missionary work. Here he will help Father Hoga in the workshop. I.H.M. was very glad to welcome this new member to our faculty.



Our two barbers, Clentin Martin (l.) and Tony Ortiz (r.) look like pros.

BUSY BARBERS

During work period, one of the busiest rooms in the school is the barbershop, a small section in the basement adjoining our recreation room. Why? Well, there are a few reasons which account for this activity.

Although some students believe otherwise, our barbers are hard workers. They clip an average of about sixty heads a month, which is quite a bit of work when you consider the amount of time needed to give a haircut. Other difficulties of our barbers are the remarks made by the patrons of the barbershop, to show their discontent with some of the jobs done by the barbers. It seems that some of our students just don't appreciate the fine work of art they do. Passing by the barbershop, one may occasionally hear such a remark as: "Take it easy, I've only got one head!" although many students have found it wiser to express their opinion after they have received their haircut.

Another problem our beloved barbers have had to cope with lately, is the existence of some particular individuals who want particular haircuts. Some are just never satisfied with an ordinary haircut.

Bellefontaine can already boast of having four excellent barbers. Tony Ortiz, a sophomore, claims the position of head barber, which he well deserves for his fine work. Next in line comes Clentin Martin, who, unlike Tony, first learned the barber's trade this year. Besides these two sophomore barbers, there are two new freshmen barbers; Tom Toplisek and James Murphy, who still have a lot to learn in their job.

So far, the barbers have been doing a great job, though they do make a few mistakes here and there. Almost all the students will agree that the barbers should take the following as their motto: "Practice makes perfect; that's why we're still practicing."

Talent Show For Father General

On April 7, the student body presented a talent show for the Most Rev. Father DePalma, S.C.J., Superior General, who was making a visitation to Bellefontaine at the time. The show consisted in various acts and performances staged by the more theatrical minded students and by those who wished to display their talent. The program began with an introduction to Father General given by the master of ceremonies, Gary Borrowdale. Gary expressed the thanks of the students for Father General's coming to Bellefontaine.

The program proper began with Nicholas Frankunas who displayed his musical ability by playing the accordion with the finesse of a professional. Next, Alan Waters, an amateur magician, accompanied by a few of his fellow classmates, produced a few magic tricks which baffled some and amazed others. The next performance was given by Daniel Sowinski who played a solo on the piano. There was a brief intermission in which the boys talked freely with Father General and asked him all sorts of questions. After the ten minute break, there were songs sung by a few of the students from many different musicals, especially from the musicals "My Fair Lady" and "Camelot," the favorites of the students. The show was ended with a piano solo by Glenn Klipp.

After the show was over, Father DePalma congratulated all the boys, who participated for the wonderful job they did, and gave a little talk to top off a perfect evening.



The surroundings take on a new face as bulldozers prepare the ground for the new wing.

C.S.M.C. Conducts Spectacular Mission Day

The day finally arrived. A certain group awaited the day tensely. These were those who were running for the various offices of the Catholic Students Mission Crusade. (C.S.M.C.)

But these were not the only ones who anxiously awaited the day. Others also had been studying hard in order to enter and to win a quiz on the life of the S.C.J. founder—Father Leo John Dehon, S.C.J.



This exhibit on China was only one of the four which were set up in the basement for Mission Day.

And still another group awaited the day. Up to this time, the different C.S.M.C. discussion groups had been working speedily to outdo each other. Through panel discussions, bulletin boards, and speeches, each group had scored a certain number of points. The outcome of the day would show the winner of the contest, namely; the group that had worked the hardest to learn and to present the material on the missions to the others. The prize for their work would be a trip to Albany, New York.

The I.H.M. students' recreation room had been decorated the night before with booths, pictures, and maps. This was the doing of the discussion groups, who displayed their material. Much preparation had gone into them, and many a person's hope rested on the results of this day. Everything was ready. And the day began!

Father Casper, S.C.J., addressed the student body with a talk on the life of our founder, Father Dehon, whose birthday we were also celebrating. Next came, for those who wished to participate in it, the long awaited contest. The contestants stood up in a row and were asked questions by the C.S.M.C. president, on the life of our Founder. They were eliminated one by one, leaving Bill Boylan as the winner of the contest. His prize was to be a trip to Albany, along with the winning discussion group.

Others were anxiously awaiting the outcome of the next event—the voting. This voting would determine next year's C.S.M.C. officers. After dinner, the results of the voting were announced. James Brune was elect-

ed president; Patrick Houterman, vice-president; Charles Dwyer, secretary; and Terry Trochaud, treasurer.

But the day swiftly continued on. The different discussion groups put on interesting skits and panel discussions for the benefit of all. Movies and film strips on the mission countries of world problems were shown. Each group was also awarded for its booth or display concerning its topic. The students profited in their knowledge about the missions through the help of the discussion group.

After supper, when the students assembled in the basement, the following awards and recognitions were given out. The trip to Albany was won by the Communism discussion group, headed by Alexander Cudzewicz. Recognition was also given to Alexander Cudzewicz and to Timothy Revers, who were considered to be the two most active members in the C.S.M.C. discussion groups. Stanley Schmidt was also awarded for his work in the stamp department.

At the end of the day, the C.S.M.C. guest speaker, Mr. Edward Massery addressed the student body. He talked about the Serra Club, which promotes religious vocations, and his work in the Pittsfield Chapter of the Club.

This was the first "Mission Day" at Bellefontaine, and it was an apparent success; for even one of the students remarked, that the day was; "enjoyable, profitable, educational, and interesting."

We hope that in the future all the "Mission Days" will be as good as this one.



A Mission Day panel discussion, Alan Waters speaking for his group.

Greetings from Elmer

"What is it? Does it bite?" These were some of the many questions asked about a month ago by the students when Brother Robert caught a flying squirrel when he was clearing the trees to make way for the new building.

Since then Brother Robert has given the squirrel to Gary McInnis, who has taken wonderful care of it. The students quickly took a liking to it, and the sophomores have made it their class mascot. One of the sophomores chose to call the squirrel "Elmer"; and that name has stuck ever since.

Elmer lives in the laps of luxury. His home is found in a large glass cage which is kept in the students' recreation room. Inside the cage is a little brown house with a red chimney in which Elmer lives. At his front door is his own mailbox and at the side of the house, which by the way has screening on the windows to keep out the flies, is Elmer's own little pet, a donkey.

Although he gets a lot of attention, Elmer is still a little shy. Gary McInnis, who has made the furnishings for Elmer, is trying to tame him a little each day. And after having been bit several times it looks as if he is making progress.

Sophomore Coat of Arms

It all started with an idea, as most projects do. The idea, to make a symbol of the present sophomore class that would be a remembrance even after this class left the seminary, started with Gary McInnis. Gary is an ambitious sophomore, who helps Father Hoyga in the workshop during work periods and who spends most of his extra time there working on some project.

Gary's idea spread rapidly. Soon he had many others interested in the same project. It was then that he decided to make a Coat of Arms for the sophomore class.

Gary McInnis, assisted by Garry Borrowdale, the school artist; Frank Brauer, and Father Hoyga started to work on the project. Much work was put into the Coat of Arms before it was finished, but the result was worth the time and effort spent.

The Coat of Arms is a wooden plaque, about 3½ feet by 2½ feet, bearing the inscription: "Labora, Sacrifica, Ora." This is Latin for "Labor, Sacrifice, Prayer," which is the sophomore class motto. In the middle of the plaque is a golden shield upon which is drawn: a flaming heart, a monk, a host, and a picture of St. Margaret Mary. The flaming heart stands for the Sacred Heart, who is burning with love for us. The monk symbolizes work or labor, which is the first part of the motto. The Host represents sacrifice, since a consecrated Host is the body of Christ who sacrificed himself for us. And the representation of St. Margaret Mary symbolizes reparation to the Sacred Heart.

This Coat of Arms is a credit to those who made it and to the sophomore class. The second year would also like to thank Father Hoyga who helped quite a bit on the project, which is now proudly displayed on a wall in the sophomore classroom.

C.S.M.C. Guest Speaker Addresses Student Body

The last event before the closing of "Mission Day", was an address given to the students and to the faculty members who attended the C.S.M.C. program. This year, the C.S.M.C. guest speaker was Mr. Edward Massery, a local resident of Pittsfield, chosen to be the guest speaker this year because of his outstanding work as a lay apostle.

Mr. Massery began his talk speaking about the Serra Club, its purpose, its activities, and its local branch in Pittsfield. He explained that since the purpose of the Serra Club is to promote religious vocations, one of the biggest tasks of the Club is to overcome the greatest obstacle to religious vocations—parental objection. Although there are many branches of activities in the Serra Club, one of the main branches consists of men who go out and give talks to parents to try to make them see their wrong in hindering their child from the religious life. Continuing on his interesting talk, Mr. Massery gave the students an example of how he would give a talk to parents. Mr. Massery makes a living by being a confectionery salesman, but as a lay apostle he sells his deeply rooted faith and conviction to others.



Mr. Ed Massery speaking to the students.

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—when ever 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 parents—and let Thy grace sustain them. Amen

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

THIRD HEAVEN

I walked in lovely gardens,
I strolled through golden gates.
I gazed upon sweet rosebuds,
I drank the dew of dates

I stood upon great mountains,
I ate unleavened bread.
I crossed the sea of graces,
For souls that sin makes dead.

I handled precious metals,
I strode the angels' path.
I reached the gates of heaven,
Without God's mighty wrath.

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