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IHM's Mission Day is held every year on or near the birth date of the founder of the Congregation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, Father Leo John Dehon. Father Dehon was born on March 14, 1843 in the village of LaChapelle, France. After many difficulties he was ordained to the priesthood in Rome and returned to France. Here he founded in 1878 a religious congregation dedicated to love and reparation to the Sacred Heart. Father Dehon was a dedicated social apostle and a preacher of the ideas of Pope Leo XIII; his followers engaged in many works including the missions of Ecuador and the Congo. Today his social and missionary ideals are carried out in works throughout the world; the American province has missions in South Africa and Sumatra overseas, in Mississippi, Texas, and South Dakota in the U.S. Father Leo John Dehon died on August 12, 1925 and his cause for canonization has been introduced in Rome.

Mission Day Observed With Talks, Exhibits

CSMC Elects Officers

On Monday, March 15, IHM celebrated Mission Day, a day set aside to commemorate the missions and the birthday of the founder of our congregation, Father Leo John Dehon. Bellefontaine's mission group, an affiliate of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, took full charge of the day by conducting a Mission Festival in the gymnasium.

The days preceding this had been spent erecting and decorating the individual booths of the different discussion groups with maps, pictures, literature, etc. Colorful decorations—homemade or "imported"—added to the effectiveness, so much so that the finished products looked somewhat like miniature World's Fair pavilions.

Free time during the day was used for browsing through the different booths: Latin America, Lay Apostolate, Africa, Ecumen-

ism, Home Missions, and Communism. Several of the booths were showing movies and slides, including the Lay Apostolate group which had filmed its own movie. Other booths featured guided tours and musical backgrounds.

Election of officers for the coming school year was also held. Candidates were required to deliver campaign addresses on the evening before. When all the ballots were counted, Thomas Kane was declared president and James Pezzulo secretary-treasurer.

During the course of the day other addresses were heard, with the three keynote addresses by Glenn Klipp on the importance of membership, Pat Houterman on the life of Father Dehon, and Father Kraha, the moderator of the unit, on the missionary spirit of the congregation. Later speeches included those by Glenn Klipp on Ecumenism, Thomas Kane and Richard Brisette on Communism, and Chuck Dymmer on the Home Missions of the U.S. *

Debate and Speech Place State Finalists

In its first year of competition, IHM turned in an impressive record in the Debate and Speech Festival Preliminaries of the Massachusetts Secondary School Speech League, qualifying nine out of eleven entrants for the finals. In addition, the varsity debate squad tied two other schools, St. Joseph's of North Adams and Holyoke High, for the Western championships, thus qualifying for a berth at the semi-finals.

The competition was held at the Amherst campus of the University of Massachusetts. Semi-finals of the debate are to be held at Fitchburg and the festival finals at Shrewsbury.

The varsity debaters included Chuck Dymmer, Glenn Klipp, Fritz Sabo, and Tom Kane. Speech entrants included: Greg Speck, Bob Derrico, Gene Gozdecki, Bob Clymer, Mike Jordan, Kevin Lockwood, Jim Pezzulo, Joe Rusnock, Thomas Sledz, George Tomasky, and John Wierzbicki.

"Harvey" Presented by Sophomore Class

On March 7, the sophomore class of '67 presented Mary Chase's Pulitzer-prize winning play: "Harvey," under the direction of Father Walter Nabity, S.C.J. Acting laurels were shared by all the members of the cast, especially by Kevin Lockwood, Joe Rusnock, and Mark Haggerty. Harvey was played by . . .

The three-act comedy was presented to a large audience of about 400 persons. Since it was presented on a visiting day, many of the families and relatives of the cast were able to be present.

Furniture movers and stage hands usually don't get too much of a

boost in play reviews, but they certainly contributed to the success of the afternoon by their quick-change artistry.

CAST

Elwood Dowd	Kevin Lockwood
Victor Dowd	Joseph Rusnock
Morton Dowd	Hugh Carty
Dr. Sanderson	Robert Clymer
Dr. Chumley	Mark Haggerty
Judge Gaffney	John Wierzbicki
Phil Chumley	Mike Jordan
Loffgreen	Henry Hewitt
Kelly	Paul Fontaine
Wilson	Thomas Sledz
Mr. Chauvenet	John Holland
Special invisible effects	"Harvey"

Berkshire Museum Sponsors Art Lecture

On Friday, March 26, the student body travelled to the Berkshire Museum in Pittsfield for a slide lecture on "The Enjoyment of Art." The museum's director, Mr. Stuart C. Henry, was the lecturer, presenting the students with a basic course of orientation in the fields of painting, sculpture, and architecture. After the talk and a question period, all were free to investigate the art, natural history, and local history collections. *

Hootenanny Keeps Toes A'Tapping



Members of "The Fontaine Five," a new group introduced at this hootenanny: Bob Derrico, Larry Whitney, Paul Fontaine, Mike Leachman, Fritz Sabo.

Guitars tuning up, singers humming folk songs, people laughing and talking, all helping to create a "Bellefontaine hootenanny": it was George Washington's Birthday and a free day, so after a full schedule of basketball and hikes everyone was ready and in the mood for a good lung-loosener.

The lights dimmed, talking ceased: the singers and guitar players burst into the gymnasium and the entire company along with the audience belted out a rousing rendition of "This Land is Your Land."

Al Waters, our announcer for the evening, casually stepped up to the microphone to announce the first group, "The Leachy Minstrels." The Minstrels kept spirits high

with "Green Green" and held a silent audience with "Cruel War." Next came a duet—Fritz Sabo and Pat Houterman, with Fritz on the guitar. The popular five-man "Travelers" followed, giving their versions of "Blowin' in the Wind" and "Bamboo."

The faculty members, men of many and varied talents, wowed the whole student body with their versions of four folk songs. Father Kraha and Frater Grob played guitars and sang along with Father Corcoran and Frater Murphy. The "Faculty Four," as they were hastily named, ended the hootenanny by leading everyone in "We Shall Overcome." *



Members of the cast after production: John Holland, Henry Hewitt, Mike Jordan, John Wierzbicki.

The Rector's Corner



cut down on these mistakes. It is just like the Major League ball players in Spring practice. They know that if they keep making the same mistakes they will not be playing in the big leagues come opening day. Some one else will be taking their place. It will be the same for your entrance into the seminary—if you do not put your full effort into your studies, the boy who is will be getting the first choice. The desire to study is one thing, the effort put forth in the full use of your talents is the important thing.

To all you boys in seventh and eighth grade, I hope that you are taking your class work seriously as it will make your first year of high school very enjoyable. Good study habits are now your best preparation. The studies in the Seminary are not too difficult, but you have to apply yourself to make the grade.

We will be looking forward to hearing from you. I hope that during Lent you have given a little extra effort to your school work and have now seen what great benefits there are to small sacrifices.

God Bless You.
Sincerely,

Father McQuire

Dear Boys,

This month's letter is being written to you—our future seminarians. For some time you have shown interest in the Sacred Heart Fathers and I hope your interest one day becomes a reality and you will become one of us.

At the present time you are a student. When you receive your report card each month, I'm sure you say to yourself that you can do better in this subject or that subject. Possibly you see where you can improve in conduct or study habits. Your report card is just what it says—a report on your performance for a month. You, no doubt, always want to bring a good report home, but the human errors are not our desires. If we take the report of our teachers seriously, one can

FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

Brother John, would you see if you could fix my glasses? Brother John, would you give me a hand building this doghouse? Brother John, I don't understand what we're supposed to do in this experiment. How did they do this in the missions, Brother? These and other similar questions may be heard, day in and day out, being asked of one or another of the two busiest men around: Brother John Thomas and Brother John Haselhof.

Here at Bellefontaine Brother John Thomas fills the part of physics teacher, plumber, and electrician, besides holding the reputation of being a general fix-it man. Brother joined our congregation in 1931 after having received a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Florida. In May of 1935, Brother was among the first S.C.J.'s to arrive at our minor seminary in Donaldson, Indiana—then just a

few farm buildings in the middle of a 300-acre cornfield.

In 1949, after 14 years of teaching algebra and trig at Donaldson, Brother John went to our Novitiate in Illinois until 1963 when he was transferred here.

Brother John Haselhof joined the congregation in the late 1940's at the age of 56. In 1949 he went to Aliwal, South Africa as a missionary; two years later he assisted as the American province founded a mission in nearby De Aar. Brother's nephew, Father Anthony Pudenz, S.C.J., was also a missionary there.

Brother John might be called the school carpenter. Besides the noticeable work such as building new library shelves, an extra altar, a new darkroom, Brother builds and renovates chairs and tables and in short keeps the furniture in good repair. He is also a goldmine of information for those who need it when involved in some construction project or other in the workshop.

Junior Investors

During the last month, the junior Political Science Course has received three lectures given by Miss Louise Keller of Great Barrington, a former economics teacher who is now working here as school librarian. The lectures centered around the stock market and investments, but other economic matters were touched upon as well.

The class was introduced to the history of the stock market and to such terms as proprietorship, partnership, and corporation. Stock purchasing, in cash payment or on margin, was also explained. One of the most interesting topics was that



Miss Louise Keller

of the business cycle and the influence of deflation and inflation upon the economy.

After the first lecture, each junior was "given" \$5000. on assignment to invest as he saw fit. The month-long assignment is to keep track of profits and losses from the original investment and report back on results.

News Notes

- Bellefontaine was host again this March for a retreat for the brothers of the province. Sixteen brothers made the retreat under Franciscan Father Claude Kean of Butler, N. J.

- Construction and destruction move along side by side on the seminary grounds as the old coach barn goes down under the wreckers' blows. A new machine shed-garage is being built elsewhere on the property.



Brother Lawrence, S.C.J., relaxes after a good day's work.

NEW FACULTY MEMBER

During the second week of March, Bellefontaine opened its doors wide for the newest faculty member, Brother Lawrence, S.C.J.

Brother is originally from the state of Montana. To answer his call to religious life, Brother entered our novitiate in Illinois. After taking his vows there, Brother was stationed first there, then in Pennsylvania and Indiana, and finally with us here in Lenox. Here Brother is now taking care of the grounds about the house. Together with Brother Eugene, he has recently finished clearing timber for the new machine shed-garage.



Seminary To Host Debate Tournament

On April 10, the Dehon Debating Society will host a novice tournament for some of the schools they have come into contact with in the past season. The officers, varsity, and junior varsity men will be in charge of the day to make sure that all runs smoothly. There will be three rounds of cross-question debate and trophies will be awarded to the top two schools as well as to the best affirmative and negative speakers. Schools which have indicated that they will participate include: Bennington Catholic (Vt.); St. Joseph's of North Adams; St. Joseph's of Pittsfield; St. Mary's, Westfield; Holyoke High; Holyoke Catholic; Cathedral of Springfield.



Bros. John Haselhof and John Thomas amid a group of sophomore questioners: Steve Richters, Tom Sledz, Mark Haggerty, Jim Pezzulo.



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FORWARD

peace on earth: two years later

"To all men of good will, Peace on Earth." For the first time in history, a pope—John XXIII—addressed an encyclical to all men, not only to those in peace and communion with the Apostolic See. In that letter of an old man, Pope John set ideas and ideals before the troubled world he was about to leave. His purpose, however, was ageless: to bring about peace on earth.

He spoke not of individualism but of persons involved, completing their tasks in the human family. He spoke of order, of the relationship between men and the state, of the cooperation between state and state. That was two years ago.

Today we look around and see the nuclear and conventional arms race still in progress. The United States aims for a "great society" here, while other societies are in the grips of revolution and Communist infiltration. The U.N. is minus one member and Red China is plus one A-bomb. Violence is on the increase at home and war rages in Asia: where then is this hope for peace?

Recently an International Convocation was opened in the U.N. General Assembly to seek "the emergence of a blue print for world order," based upon Pope John's "Pacem in Terris." Two summers ago the Test Ban Treaty was signed and, somehow, the U.N. still exists. A new kind of Christian layman is emerging and, strangely, peace is yet dreamed of in the minds of men. You know, maybe John XXIII was serious: "To all men, peace on earth!"

Individualism and conflict

Not two centuries ago, American men cried out, fought, and died for freedom, for equality. And the War of Independence brought with it America's plea to mankind, the Declaration of Independence (have you read it lately?)

Are these declarations still valid today? Yes, for they are upheld by a certain but growing few under the leadership of men like Dr. King. But the laborers in this field are few—very few—and the spectators are many.

"Racial prejudice is un-American." So it has been said many times and with the logical backing of our own Declaration and heritage. "Racial prejudice is un-Christian" has been often stated with the more-than-logical backing of faith. Do these statements really mean anything to us? Do we remember that Christ has told us, "Whatever you do to the least of my brethren you do to Me?" And He instructed us further, "Love one another as I have loved you."

Senior of the Month

Seminarian, teacher, secretary, explorer, photographer—put them all together and whom will you have? Why, senior Dennis Myc. Denny hails from Cheektowaga, New York (one of its suburbs is Buffalo, he solemnly states), where he is the oldest in his family of three children.

Dennis is a football enthusiast



Senior infirmarian Dennis Myc works under the guidance of our school nurse, Mrs. Mahoney.

and quite a player himself. His favorite team is the Buffalo Bills. Who else?

Among his extra-curricular activities, Denny is an active member of Explorer Post 101, having served two terms as president and now as chairman of the planning committee. He is also the leader of the photography group. His regular jobs as infirmarian and as secretary for

Father Bruder keep him occupied during work periods.

During the first semester, Denny was one of the senior CCD teachers for the sixth-grade Lenox students. Through all these activities and as a consecrated sodalist, Denny has striven to be a solid seminarian and his leadership and effort have attested to the fact.

Musical Appreciation Club

The "Quarter Rest" is not a formal club or organization here at IHM; it is more an opportunity—an opportunity for listening to and becoming acquainted with interesting music. Begun last year, the "Quarter Rest" is available on most Sunday mornings for those who care to make use of it; attendance thus varies quite a bit but this is in keeping with its aims. The musical accent this year has been on music of the U.S., both past and present, from the Bay Psalm Book through MacDowell, Gershwin, and on to moderns such as Lukas Foss and John Cage. Frater Murphy selects the weekly programs and makes any necessary comments for a proper understanding of the music.

Dear Mom and Dad,

Hope you don't find this letter too sloppy, but I just got done with art class and I'm afraid I have more paint on my fingers than on the painting. Seriously, there's a gentleman from Lenox, Mr. NeJame, who comes every Tuesday night and teaches our art class. I'd describe what I've done so far, but I'm afraid the English language doesn't have the right words. Anyhow, it looks something like an overgrown apple that's orange, but it isn't—never mind, I'll show it to you at Easter time.

The faculty took another one—basketball this time: we had our first student-faculty basketball game for the '65 season. The students went down 39-38.

The sophomores put on "Harvey," a comedy in three acts. It was really well done.

Did I tell you about our survival course? Some of the juniors and seniors are taking the Civil Defense "Medical Self-Help Training Course" which is supposed to teach us how to live for the two weeks following a nuclear war. Mr. Mahoney, the local Civil Defense leader, and other personnel from the area are teaching the course.

The boys who went to the last speech contest surprised everyone. Out of eleven entrants in the prelims, nine will be going on to the finals at the end of the month. I'm glad they did so well because they sure spent enough time practicing for it.

As you know, every March we have a day known as "Mission Day" when our Catholic Students' Mission Crusade Unit here at the seminary sets up various displays and booths on the missions. They also put on various skits, give speeches, and show movies. This year the day was better than ever, and I'm sure everyone was inspired to work harder to prepare for the day when we will be the missionaries.

There are about sixteen S.C.J. Brothers here from all over our province. They're here on retreat and as soon as they're done, we are going to put on a talent night for them. Hope they enjoy it.

I'd better sign off or else I'll never finish any Latin.
Your loving son,

Joe

The Sisters of IHM



Mother Adele, Sister Balbina, and Sister Theresa pause for a moment from their work in the kitchen.

With the need for food and clothing comes a need for cooking and cleaning. To these tasks the Sisters Oblates of Divine Love have applied themselves here at the seminary. Stationed here are Mother Adela, Sister Theresa, Sister Margarette, Sister Mario Magdaleana, Sister Estella, Sister Balbina, and Sister Mary. Including Bellefontaine they have five houses in the United States, from Wisconsin to Connecticut, numbering about forty sisters. Their central house in the U.S. is in the Bronx, New York. Here they not only accept candidates for their order but teach the high school Portuguese students of the area as well. Their Mother House is in Italy where they were founded in 1922 by Mother Margarette Crispi who is still living today. Their Congregation is especially strong in Central America, which the sisters here at IHM call home.

The sisters have a great interest in us and a great humility which

I'm sure goes much deeper than their difficulty with speaking English. If you happen to be walking through the kitchen while they're baking, there's a good chance for a roll or a cookie accompanied by an anxious smile for approval. And it's at these times, when they're quite busy at their work, that they hum or sing what I believe to be Spanish folk songs. The same holds true for the laundry room.



Sister Magdaleana is never too busy in the laundry to stop for a portrait.



Father Richard Writes

Hi Fellows,
Unfortunately, there are a great number of American citizens who are being denied their rights. Even a hurried reading of the daily newspaper informs us of this life and death struggle. A number of persons have been injured and some have even given their lives to secure these rights.

What are we doing to help these people? Undoubtedly, we feel far removed from them. However, if we are Catholic in the true sense of the word—embracing the whole world and all people—we must at least include the success of this endeavor in our prayers and desires.

The time has come as a true Catholic, who is interested in the temporal and external welfare of all, to take a stand for the success of this struggle.

By His death and resurrection Christ has set all men free and it is up to us to request God's help for all through our prayers and later on as Priests through our apostolic activity.

In the Sacred Heart,

Fr. Richard, S.C.J.

FACULTY EDGES STUDENTS 39-38

In one of the most dramatic games of the season, the faculty team behind for almost the entire game pulled out in front in the closing minute with a dramatic set shot by Frater Grob, the faculty team captain.

Confident as usual, the students had built up an early lead in the first half, but the faculty defense and control of the boards turned the trick in the second half.



High scorer for the students was Pat Houterman with Greg Speck a close second. Team members included: Fritz Sabo, Paul Fontaine, Nick Pastor, Phil Dahl, Larry Whitney, Louis Becker, and Mike Leachman.

Boys' Club Tumblers Put on Exhibition

Instructor Ed Plouffe of the Pittsfield Boys' Club was on hand recently with his tumbling team for a well-coordinated exhibition of jumping, diving, and pyramid building. The tumblers range in age from nine to fourteen and are sponsored by the Boys' Club; this past summer they presented two performances at the New England pavilion of the World's Fair. Besides being entertaining, the performance stirred up interest in gymnastics here at the seminary. Thanks to Mr. Plouffe and his boys, as well as to Father Hudson for arranging the exhibition.

EXPLORER ACTIVITIES

On February 26 and 27, three post leaders Mr. Charles Mindle, our advisor; Father Bruder, the institutional representative; and Father Krah, a member of the committee attended a series of training lectures at Shiff Scout Reservation in New Jersey.

The past month's schedule included several trips including one to Lee Lime Company. Activity in the near future will include playing host again this year to the Council Conference on camping, and a trip to M.I.T. in Boston on April 10.



As noted elsewhere in the paper, a new specialty group has sprung up an art class, meeting once a week. Older groups are functioning well, especially the radio group which has been making contacts left and right and which is looking forward to a move to new and more spacious quarters.

The faculty team: Father Bruder, Brothers Matthew, Andrew, and Norbert, and Fraters Grob and Murphy.

The officials were Brother Theophane, Gene Gozdecki, and Emmet Helrich.

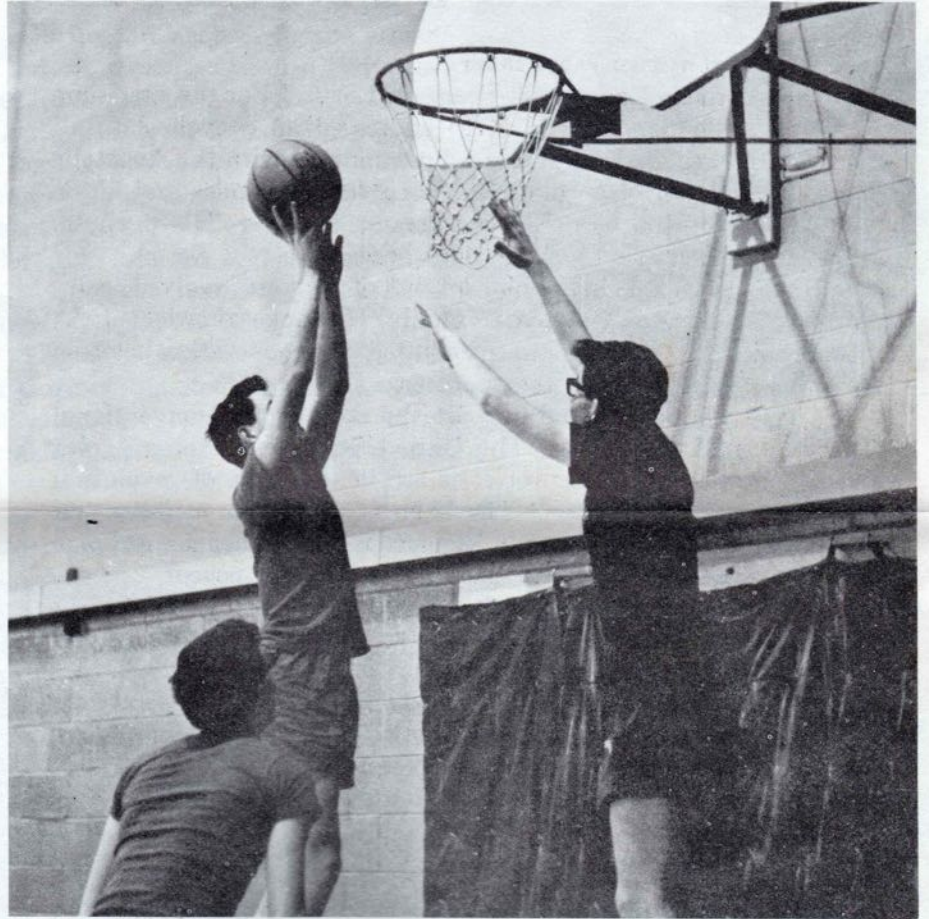


Hobby Corner



Junior Eddy Gunn is one of three licensed hams in the seminary shack. The others are Al Walters and Bob Derrico; Mr. Harry Jordan of Pittsfield is advisor.

SPORTLIGHT: BASKETBALL



Future basketball greats: sophomores Ed Duffy, Paul Fontaine, George Tomasky.

Photography Group Has New Vitality

A student - picture - snapper (no relation to the turtle of the same name) is getting to be an ordinary sight in the corridors and back stairs of IHM. The photography group of the explorers is on the prowl.

The leader of the group is senior Denny Myc, the faculty advisor, Frater Murphy. With the help of Mr. Ned Ward of Lenox, the group has set up a darkroom and print shop that is getting quite a bit of use for both black-and-white and color work. The group has been in existence only a little over a year now and most of that time has been spent in preparation: now the fun of picture-taking has begun. For example, junior Chuck Yuhascik filmed and produced a movie for the Lay Apostolate booth for mission day.



A REQUEST

Our school library can always use a few good books to help in its program for regional accreditation. If you are able to help in any way, please let us know.

Medical-Help Course Offered by Lenox CD

The Civil Defense unit of Lenox is offering a 10-week course in medical self-help to 37 of the juniors and seniors. Father Casper and Brothers Lawrence and Eugene are also enrolled for the training.

The course will be directed by Dr. Carl A. Bergan, chairman of the Board of Health, and will be instructed by Miss Marguerite Tristany, R.N., of Lee, head of the student nurse program at St. Luke's Hospital. Mr. Leo E. Mahoney is local C.D. director.

ART CLASSES BEGUN

Recently the hobby room has been graced (or cluttered) with all manner of abstract paintings and drawings. For the explorer post is sponsoring an art class as one of its specialties—open to all students whether explorers or not. Response was so good that the group was split into two with a total of 23 members. The groups meet on Tuesday evenings under the direction of Mr. Louis NeJame of Lenox, a commercial artist. So far work has been in light and shadow, and in color blending.

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