



The horse show was a main attraction at the Eastern States Exposition, the site of this year's fall outing.

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Faculty Changes Mark Fall Term

The new school year brought five new instructors to Bellefontaine's teaching staff. However, it also marked the departure of two former faculty members.

Father Anthony Bruder, S.C.J., former Dean of Boys, was transferred to Divine Heart Seminary in Donaldson, Indiana. Father will be dean there also. At Bellefontaine Father Bruder taught first year Latin, was athletic director, and was Institutional Representative for the Explorer Post.

Father Leo Krahn, S.C.J., will replace Father Bruder as the Dean of Boys. Father Krahn has been at Bellefontaine for two years. He is the head of the English Department and has previously served as an assistant dean.

Father Paul Casper, S.C.J., is now assistant superior at St. Joseph's Indian School in Chamberlain, South Dakota. Father taught first, second, and fourth year Religion. He was also moderator of the Sodality and student spiritual director.

Father Thomas Burns, S.C.J. comes to Bellefontaine from his hometown of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. This is Father's first assignment

since his ordination on December 28, 1965. He attended Dehon Seminary in Great Barrington, Mass. Father Burns teaches French third year, first year Religion, and has an English Composition course at Great Barrington. Father is also a Spiritual director.

Father Richard McDonald, S.C.J., a native of Flat Rock, Ohio, teaches first year English and second and third year Religion, and is also a student confessor. Along with Fr. Burns, he was also ordained on December 28, 1965. His assignment here is only temporary. Father has applied for a visa to South Africa where he hopes to work in the S.C.J. mission fields.

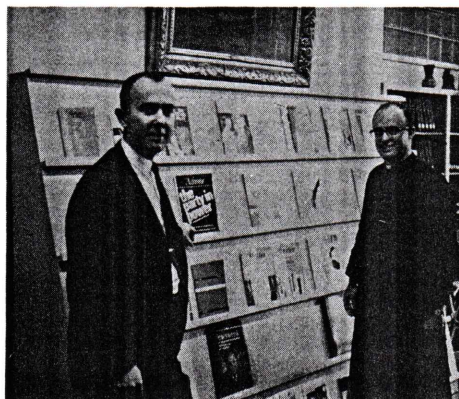
Brother Peter Mankins, S.C.J., is the new athletic director and moderator of the Monogram Club. His hometown is Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Francis Fazio, from Pittsfield, replaces Mrs. John Pignatelli as the Spanish instructor. He teaches third and fourth year students.

Mr. Charles Gilson, a resident of Pittsfield, is teaching the new Political Science course offered this year to seniors.



Fr. Burns and Mr. Fazio check out the language lab where they do most of their teaching.



Fr. McDonald and Mr. Gilson look over the reference library.

Student Outing at Eastern States Exposition

Students of IHM went to the Eastern States Exposition in Springfield, Massachusetts, to spend their annual fall outing September 22nd.

Accompanied by most of the faculty members, the student body boarded three buses at 9 a.m. and departed for the fairgrounds. When the buses arrived, they were free to tour the fair for the remainder of the day.

The main attractions of the day were the afternoon horse show and the exhibition by the Hell Drivers.

The horse show featured jumping and racing competitions, and a display of miniature horses. Arthur Godfrey appeared with his horse Goldie.

The Hell Driver's program included precision driving employing one to five cars, a demolition act, an exhibition of new 1967 cars; and the humorous antics of a clown on the track.

Each of the New England

States had its own pavilion at the fair. These exhibited the natural resources, products, history, and life in their respective states.

Through the courtesy of the management of the fair, students were able to enter the fair and view the Hell Driver's at a discount. West Springfield's Sacred Heart Parish gave IHM's students a discount in their restaurant at the fair.

A large part of the grounds consisted in the livestock exhibits that the fair is famous for. Farms in the New England area entered prize-winning cows, bulls, horses, pigs, lambs, and sheep at the fair.

Many companies displayed the latest in farm machinery to demonstrate the progress that is being made in agricultural equipment.

In between shows and exhibits, students spent time at the amusement areas, arcades, and carnival booths.

The students returned to the seminary in their buses at 7 p.m.

EXPLORERS CAMP IN VERMONT

On the weekend of October 14, Explorer Post 101 took a trip to Burlington, Vermont.

The purpose of this trip was to visit Shelburne museum, which the Vermont Life called "one of Vermont's finest attractions." The museum is a reconstructed New England village and contains many exhibits of the past history of the New England states. Through the courtesy of the museum owner the Explorers were admitted at a reduced price.

Due to the generosity of Mr. Samuel Gladstone, who is chairman of the Scout district board and a member of the Camp Commission, the Post was able to camp at a private park near Lake Champlain.

After Mass on Sunday morning, the return journey was started. Enroute home the Scouts stopped at Fort Ticonderoga and viewed the scene of Ethan Allen's triumph. They also learned more of the fort's 200 year history. The staff permitted the Explorers to enter the fort free of charge and provided facilities for the cooking of the Post's lunch.

The Post reached the seminary on Sunday evening.



SOUTH AFRICAN MISSIONARY ADDRESSES STUDENTS

Father Nugent, S.C.J., a missionary who spent eleven years in South Africa, addressed the student body about his work in that country.

He began his talk with a brief history of the South Africa nation, and then went on to discuss the problems and progress of the negro natives. Father pointed out that the native negro race of Africa had no strong unity of purpose as a nation. Instead, they are preoccupied with the "preservation of the family group". Natives are little concerned about problems that extend beyond the family circle.

Father also touched upon the problems of the missionary among the natives, who often has to oppose such ancient customs and practices as polygamy, fetishism, witchcraft, and voodoo.

He concluded his talk by saying Catholicism is in South Africa to give something positive to the natives, and not to just destroy their customs.

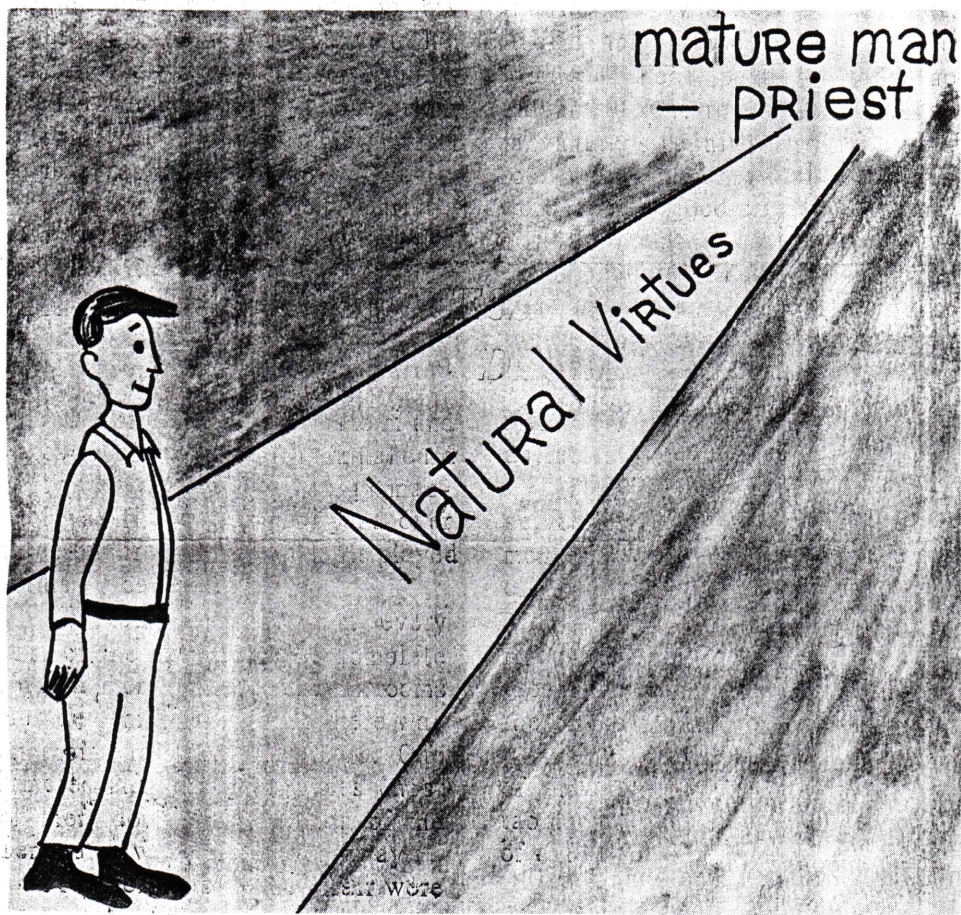
A question and answer period followed Father's talk, and students were free to query the missionary.

NEWS BRIEFS

Senior Richard Johnson and Junior Edward Lach attended the Student Congress held at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, October 8. The Student Congress gives high school students valuable experience in parliamentary procedure and civil government.

Rich Johnson is the school president; Ed Lach acts as managing editor of the school newspaper staff.

A TRIBUTE



Recently Father Paul Casper left Bellefontaine for his new assignment in the Indian mission of South Dakota. Father had served on the Bellefontaine faculty since 1961.

Now that Father is gone it is a bit difficult to express our feelings exactly. He was our friend, our teacher, and spiritual guide. Yet we will miss something more than that. We'll miss his enthusiasm, his dedication to his work as a priest; and his genuine interest in the individual student. Under his spiritual direction, in his classes, and in the clubs which he moderated, we each learned something from this dedicated priest.

At Bellefontaine Father Casper gave service to God and to the community. And now that he is gone, the best thing we can say is a grateful, "Thank you."

After four years at Bellefontaine, Father Anthony Bruder, S.C.J., was transferred to the other Sacred Heart minor seminary in Donaldson, Indiana.

The faculty and the students will remember best Father's last two years here, when he acted as the Dean of Boys. During that time Father worked to improve the quality of the entire student body and the calibre of the individual student. We can look around now and see the fruits of his work: an effective student council, regional accreditation, a vigorous sports program, an excellent Explorer Post, a greater school spirit. The list could go on.

When students talk about Father Bruder, their remarks usually run something like this:

"Father did a lot for Bellefontaine."

SEMINARIES and SEMINARIANS

The minor seminarian desires to become a good priest. That is his purpose. However, this end is not accomplished on ordination day. During his life the seminarian and the priest must strive for Christian perfection. The minor seminarian achieves this goal through training in the natural virtues.

The most noteworthy natural virtue which a minor seminarian acquires is the prudent control of his tongue. A minor seminarian soon learns that there are many times when he should keep his mouth shut. If, by some freak of circumstance, he does not work on this virtue he will soon find that seminary discipline can be an unbearable burden.

In order to further achieve Christian perfection the minor seminarian tries to develop his character. Four times a year he and his deans evaluate his judgment, leadership, cooperation, initiative, personality, and general conduct.

This attainment of Christ-like perfection is not directed in a

childish way. The minor seminary is a school of "hard knocks." Courses and directives are not aimed at the jelly-spined or the baby. They are aimed at the boy who is trying to become a man, at the boy who wants to be a good priest. Those who try to wall themselves from the world, or flee from reality soon find the minor seminary too much of a reality to harbor them.

The high ideals and purpose of a minor seminarian does not make him an oddball or a misfit. A minor seminarian knows what goes on in the world. He knows what he's missing. Yet he stays in the seminary because he understands that he is not really "missing" anything. Rather he appreciates what he is really receiving. A minor seminarian receives so much, in fact, that it might take literally a hundred of these pages to list the advantages he receives; and these advantages result when a boy sets out to become a man, when he tries to become a good priest.

CARD PARTY SUCCESS

DESPITE SETBACKS

Despite a severe rainstorm and a power failure, the fifth annual card party was a success. The gymnasium was filled to capacity as over three-hundred and fifty people played cards by candlelight.

Tickets were sold in every part of the country for a complete linen and credenza set for six rooms. Besides this major raffle there was an inside raffle of ten prizes. One hundred fifty-six door prizes (most of them donated by friends of the seminary) were also given away.

Participants in the affair were

mainly from the area, but some came as far as Connecticut.

The senior and junior classes served refreshments, acted as salesmen for the various raffles, and cleaned up afterwards.

Under the direction of Father Hudson, the annual card party has grown into a large social event in the Lenox area. The first card party was held in the lower library of the school. It numbered twelve tables and offered a grand prize of a Bar-B-Q Grill.



Fr. Paul Casper, recently assigned to Chamberlain, South Dakota.



Fr. Anthony Bruder, assigned to Donaldson, Indiana.

SUPERIOR GENERAL, PROVINCIAL VISIT SEMINARY

Father DePalma, Superior General of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, arrived at Bellefontaine on September 24, 1966 for a three day visit. Father General came from his Rome office to visit the American seminaries and missions of the Congregation.

Father Noonan, Provincial of

the American Province of the Congregation, also came to visit Bellefontaine on October 2. A highlight of his visit was his talk to the junior and senior classes.

In honor of these distinguished visitors, Father McGuire, the Rector, announced a student's free day on October 12th.



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Students visit the "Jail on Wheels."

JAIL ON WHEELS

HANDS UP!

Labeled "Stop That Crime You Can't Win," the "Jail on Wheels" came to Bellefontaine September 18.

Sponsored by Sheriff J. Edwin Slavin of New Haven County, Connecticut, the "Jail on Wheels" is a large bus-shaped vehicle displaying everything from a pair of hand-cuffs to a genuine electric chair.

The sign on the door of the exhibit invited students to "Come In and See the Real Lie Detector, Drunkometer, and Radar Speedalyzer."

Inside, a glass case displayed

a collection of police badges from different states and a series of weaponry used by law enforcement agencies. A tape-recorded voice explained juvenile delinquency and its development into major crime: the purpose of the display is "not to glamorize the resources of the police", but to educate youth in crime prevention, in order to prevent any emergence of an adult criminal.

There are four "Jail on Wheels" throughout the country. These units have toured the United States for the past nineteen years, and have visited over 2200 schools.



DEBATERS DEBATE DEBATING

A roving reporter brings the reader to the world of debating, and records a strange conversation:

"Marty?"
 "Yes, Tom?"
 "When is our first debate going to be held?"
 "Today."
 "Don't you think we better prepare a little?"
 "Let's not rush into things."
 "What's this year's topic, anyway?"
 "Do I look like a genius? I don't know."
 "But you got your debate handbook last summer!"

(Later our friends are traveling to a debate tournament in a car.)

"Coach? What is this year's topic?"
 "You mean you two don't know? Do you even know what side you're on?"

"Well ---"

(After the debates --)

"Marty, did you hear that?"
 "For the best negative speaker, the award goes to Marty Gray."
 "But I thought we were affirmative!"
 "For the best affirmative speaker, the award goes to Thomas Taylor."
 "Affirmative? But how can my teammate be negative and I'm affirmative?"

"Shhh. Take the trophy and don't ask questions."

BOILERS REQUIRE HARD WORK

What makes Immaculate Heart Seminary go? The Students do. In the way of maintenance, office work, and just plain labor, the students themselves run the school. There is a seminarian in charge of garage, one in charge of the general maintenance of the house, one in charge of painting, kitchen, laundry, and the boiler room.

Here the limelight will fall on the boiler man, Ray Merola. This junior has the responsibility of heating the building and supplying it with hot water. That's a generalization of his job. Specifically, he keeps the boilers in good working conditions by checking all the heating units throughout the building and oiling them, and periodically cleaning the boilers.

With his 4 horse power vacuum cleaner he removes the soot from top to bottom - inside and out. Our Ray then emerges from his boiler room with a coat of soot covering him head to toe.

Soot now settles on the floor and on the pipes. Ray sweeps the place and washes it down with hot water, and it's ready for service.

The work's hard, but Ray likes it. Students who hear the soft purring of the boilers like it too. They think Ray's doing a good job.

GRADUATES RECEIVED AS NOVICES

The classes of '66 and '65 were received as novices by the Congregation and took first vows respectively on September 7-8.

Last May the first part of the Class of '66's journey to the priesthood ended as they graduated from Bellefontaine. At the Sacred Heart Novitiate in Saint Marie, Illinois, September 7, they started on the second step as these 17 Bellefontaine alumni were accepted as novices.

For the next year, these men will pray and study intensively in what some religious at I.H.M. call "the most important year in a man's life." In the novitiate, the solid basis of a future priest's spiritual life is constructed.

After completing the year of Novitiate they will take their first vows and then these new S.C.J.'s will proceed to Honesdale, Pa., to begin their college education.

The class of '65 then took first vows on September 8. They will now continue their training at Kilroe College of the Sacred Heart in Honesdale.

IHM Debators Tie for Second

IHM debators tied St. Joseph's (Pittsfield) for second place in the debate tournament sponsored by St. Joseph's (North Adams) on October 1.

St. Joseph's of North Adams captured first place trophy with a record of 5 wins, 1 loss. Immaculate Heart and St. Joe's of Pittsfield tied, each with a record of 4 wins, 2 losses.

The second place trophy, however, was awarded to St. Joseph's of Pittsfield whose debators compiled more speaker points than IHM.

At the seminary, the debate club staged a mock debate to explain debate fundamentals to those interested in joining the club. The topic of the mock debate was resolved, that stone walls should be abolished.

The 1966-67 debate topic for the Berkshire and Diocesan Leagues is resolved: that the United States Foreign Aid Program should be limited to non-military assistance.

BELLEFONTAINE WELCOMES 43 FRESHMEN

As every year, the students have advanced another rung up the ladder this fall. The seniors have moved up a step, leaving a rung to be filled by the juniors who have left a rung for the sophomores, and so on down the line.



.... at play

The bottom step has been filled by fresh faces, fresh personalities, and fresh names out of grade school. Voila! The freshmen class.

Forty-three bright, new boys have entered high school. This is



.... and going to class.



Freshmen of 1966 at work

an important step in their lives, made more important by the fact that this high school is also a seminary. Forty-three bright, new boys have entered the seminary. In four years they will graduate (hopefully) as men.

During the coming year these freshmen will be the "small fry" of the various clubs, work crews,



.... learning to serve

organizations. But this will give them experience and training for their later years in high school.

The upperclassmen and faculty are watching the progress of the freshmen carefully. And they hope the first rung of the ladder won't break under the strain.



FOOTBALL ALL-STARS PICKED BY EDITORS

After hot discussion and sleepless nights, the sports editors of Bellefontaine have organized a football team on paper. They believe this team is the pick of the school's football teams, and hence deserves to be called the Bellefontaine All-Stars:

OFFENSE: P. Cunningham, G. Blanchfield (ends); B. Sorenson, G. Lopouch (tackles); J. Pezzullo, K. Lockwood (guards); T. Sledz (center); H. Carty (r. halfback); T. Irwin (l. halfback); M. Torrey (quarterback); G. Taylor (fullback).

DEFENSE: S. Plocinski, J. Holland (ends); B. Trahan, P. Suhajda (tackles); G. Tomasky, E. McLaughlin (guards); H.C. Hewitt (middle linebacker); L. Sanabria, R. Harcar (corner linebackers); K. Helrich, M. Gray (safeties).

The sports editors believe these men are the best in their respective fields. Paul Cunningham brings to the end position speed and agility. Quarterback Marty Torrey has a strong arm and pinpoint accuracy when passing the ball. Puntman Hugh Carty makes a fast halfback. Jim Pezzullo is a big blocker on the offense who plugs up all the holes on defense. George Taylor can always be counted on to make those precious 3 or 4 yards for the first down in his fullback position. Speed and sticky fingers are qualities of pass-receiver Tom Irwin.

Offensive linemen Bart Sorenson, George Lopouch, Kevin Lockwood, and Tom Sledz bear the brunt of the defensive attack. End Greg Blanchfield manages to pluck the pigskin out of the air for big gains and touchdowns.

Defensive linemen Bob Trahan Ed McLaughlin, Pete Suhajda, and George Tomasky break through the offense and lead the quarterback in a merry chase. Henry Hewitt guards the middle linebacker position, while Lonie Sanabria and Dick Harcar are the cornerbacks. Stan Plocinski and John Holland play defensive ends.

Sophomores Kevin Helrich and Marty Gray fill the 2 safety positions. Their speed and skill place them on the All-Stars.

NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR APPOINTED

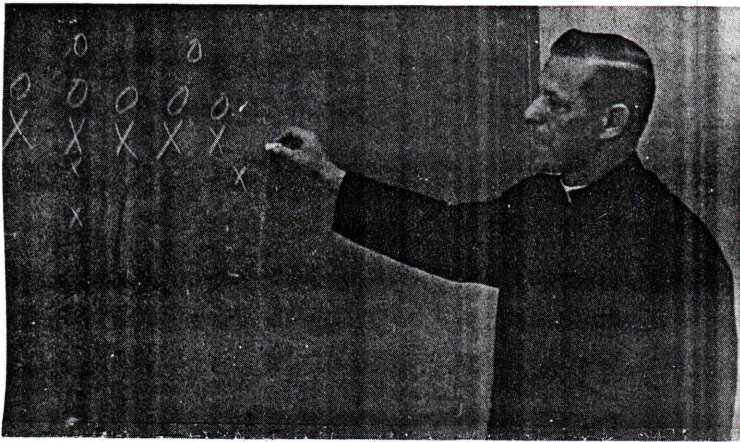
Brother Peter Mankins, S.C.J. has been appointed as the new athletic director at Bellefontaine.

Brother Peter was transferred to IHM from the Sacred Heart seminary at Donaldson, Indiana, where he served as athletic director for three years.

Under his scheme for a fuller sports schedule this year, Brother Peter has already initiated football clinics for the freshmen. In this program upper classmen instruct the lower classmen in the fundamentals of flag football, along with some of the more finer points of passing, pass-reception, blocking, offensive and defensive plays.

Brother also has plans for track and field events in the spring.

As athletic director, Brother will serve as the faculty moderator of the Monogram Club.



Br. Peter, new athletic director at Bellefontaine, helps the football teams figure out some new plays.

SEMINARIANS PLAY HARD, PRAY HARD

As the saying goes, "All work and no play tend to make John a dull boy." This is especially true in the seminary. Due to the heavy amount of studies a boy must carry throughout his four years here at Bellefontaine, sports serves as an excellent break in the schedule. On Wednesdays and Sundays all the boys are out on the fields with their respective teams where they play a rugged game of football, baseball, or hockey, as the seasons vary.

Another reason for sports in the seminary is to develop the

young, gangling bodies of underclassmen into the mature, coordinated bodies of upperclassmen.

Sports bring out the leadership qualities in certain individuals and develop a spirit of competition with that "never give up" attitude.

Just as seminarians, are expected to pray hard, they are also expected to recreate hard. When the referee blows his whistle, the seminarian will be out on the field giving his all.

by TOM IRWIN



Br. Peter slides safely into first as Bart Sorenson scoops up low peg.



FOOTBALL ENTHUSIASM RUNS HIGH

Along with the multicolored leaves and the chill winds of October comes the Bellefontaine football season. As the 1966 season is opening, the enthusiasm and the spirit of the students run high. This year the A, B, and C leagues are divided into four teams each.

Jim Pezzullo, Paul Cunningham, Stan Plocinski, and Henry Hewitt are at the helm of the four A league teams. These teams are composed of seniors, juniors, and a few sophomores. The pace of these games is fast and furious. The opener of the season resulted in a four-way tie for first place. It seems the A leaguers can look forward to another close season.

The B leaguers are piloted by captains Jim Mulligan, Bob Logan, Joe Tilleli, and Ron Pferdehirt. The bulk of the players are from the sophomore class. After the first game, Logan's and Mulligan's teams emerged ahead of the other two.

"Big oaks grow from little acorns." The freshmen league, or "C" league, will someday develop into A league material. Bob Cunningham, Aaron Ockimey, Bob Monahan, and Bob Hannan captain the freshmen teams. Upperclassmen have conducted classes to teach the C leaguers the fundamentals of football.

To safeguard against serious injuries on the field, a program of calisthenics was organized. The entire student body exercised in the gym before the season's opening. Each team now have their own work-out before each game.

SPORT SHORTS

The students were out in force to watch the student-faculty softball game. Both teams played a vigorous game in the chill weather. But despite a tight student defense and a hard offense (like Paul Cunningham and his three-run homer), the faculty defeated the students 12-11 after nine innings.

The softball season was relatively short. Teams were evenly matched, yet Pezzullo and Trahan led the pack at the end of the last game, each tied for first place.

Last year's cage ball fans made an appearance again this fall. Choose-up teams tried to keep the ball in the air and push it towards their respective goal lines. The cage ball measures ten feet in circumference. To reduce injuries, the freshmen have been presented with a cage ball of their own, of smaller proportions than the older one.

HOBBY CORNER



Andre Grenier gets ready for take-off with his gasoline powered model airplane.

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