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## PADUA ACCEPTED INTO BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The committee of the Lakes Region League for interscholastic competition unanimously voted Padua into the League on Sept. 18, 1962. This is Padua's first time in high school league basketball competition. Padua's acceptance was largely due to the persistent efforts of Fr. Emil Rakowski, O.F.M., athletic director of Padua.

The teams which Padua will compete against are Dundee, Trumansburg, Interlaken, Romulus, Odessa, and Ovid. The league's season will consist of 6 home games and 6 away games. This league competition will not be effective until September, 1963.

## A BIRTHDAY PARTY

On Sunday night, Feb. 10, the seniors helped make their moderator's birthday more enjoyable by having a surprise party for him in the library.

The party was arranged by senior secretary John Tulko who also had Fr. Austin maneuver Fr. Cajetan to the library.

## HONOR ROLL

This is the list of the twenty students who made the Honor Roll for the first semester:

- 96.5 — Nied, Byron
- 95.8 — Zwolinski, Thomas
- 95.5 — Orlovski, Stanley
- 94.8 — Walczak, Edward
- 94.6 — Drisgula, Paul
- 94.5 — Crisco, James
- 94.4 — Karcewski, Stanley
- 93.0 — Brzoska, William
- 92.1 — Montoya, Anthony
- 92.0 — Kuzmiak, Robert
- 91.8 — Zolnowski, Richard
- 91.5 — Nodar, John
- 91.4 — Kvedrovicz, Richard
- 91.3 — Malinowski, Sigismund
- 91.1 — Smolenski, Stephen
- 90.7 — Malinowski, Edward
- 90.7 — Tulko, John
- 90.1 — Brine, Allen
- 90.0 — Duchnowski, Lawrence
- 90.0 — Parzych, Paul

## IN MEMORIAM

The Paduan Staff, students, faculty of Padua extend their sympathy to Edward Szczepaniak on the death of his grandfather and to Anthony Vallero on the death of his uncle. May they rest in peace.



Fr. Maynard imparts the Papal Blessing at the end of Spiritual Retreat

## YEARBOOK NEWS

Work on the '63 yearbook is finally coming to an end. The Co-editors, Ed Walczak and Jack Drexler, report that they have to complete fifty more pages before the March first deadline. They have already sent out the first two copy shipments and have received their proofs. The proofs have been checked and sent back to the Taylor Publishing Co., printers of the **Siquaeris**.

Father Bertrand, faculty adviser, has recently announced the close of the ad section, and is very grateful that the quota has been reached. Business manager John Tulko is now busily arranging the ad section, and trying to beautify it by pictures and art work.

The arrival date of the **Siquaeris** has been set for June 1st.

## MUSIC STUDENTS ENJOY STEREO

Recently a stereo hi-fi was placed in the music room by Fr. Brendan, our music director. The music students were anxiously awaiting its arrival since December. The set was put together by Fr. Brendan and Fr. Emil. Many boys bring their own records and albums and many of the records were donated by Fr. Brendan. Fr. Brendan also has a "Record of the Week", in which a new and different record is introduced to the music students along with its history. This week the "Dukes of Dixieland" is the "Record of the Week."

## PADUANS MAKE MID-YEAR RETREAT

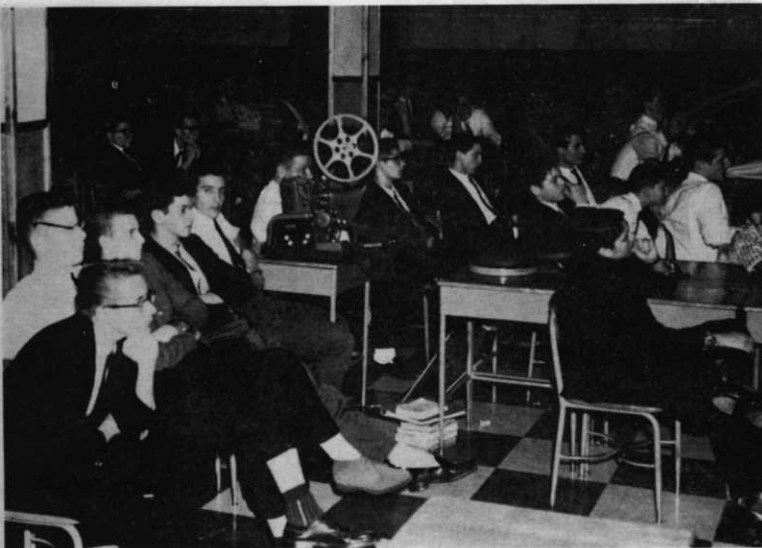
The students, having finished their semester exams, made the traditional mid-year retreat from January 27 to January 30. The retreat began Sunday evening immediately after the usual movie, as the students met their retreat master, Fr. Maynard Kolodziej, O.F.M. In the first conference that evening Father explained details of the retreat schedule and the purpose of making a good retreat.

The retreat schedule consisted of conferences, spiritual reading periods, stations of the cross, meditation periods and devotions. Reading of the lives of saints was conducted by seniors during meals, and silence was strongly and continuously recommended as a good help in making the retreat. The retreat ended Wednesday evening with retreat devotions and the Papal blessing given by Father Maynard.

Special thanks must go to the library for the great number of pamphlets and books which were made available to the student body throughout the entire retreat.

Thirteen Hours' Devotion followed on Thursday. The devotions began at five o'clock in the morning and ended in the evening with a solemn high mass, a procession and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacristan John Tulko did an exceptionally beautiful job of decorating the main altar for these devotions.



The student body watches the evening movies

## WHY AM I HERE?

Have you ever asked yourself what your motives are for attending Padua Prep? Well, if you are out of an answer or you don't have a sufficient one, read on and let me clue you in on at least the fundamental reasons for your attendance here.

During your stay at the Prep, your purpose should be to advance yourself spiritually, intellectually and physically. But, the question arises, how should I go about this? In your spiritual advancement you should rise in such a manner that you give more love to God and try to become the perfect Christian gentleman. Your intellectual advancement should be of such a nature as to discipline your mind, strengthen your reasoning power and prepare yourself for higher studies. In your physical advancement you should strive for a sound and healthy body.

If you keep these purposes in your mind and work on them, the goal they set will not be hard to reach, since the means to advance in each case is right at your feet. All you have to do is bend down, and pick them up and use them. For your spiritual advancement you have daily Mass, devotions, conferences, religious instructions and other services to God. It is you who should willingly attend the services and participate in them in order that you can benefit from them. The means that you have for your intellectual advancement is a well equipped faculty that tries to teach you everything that you must know, but again it is up to you to accept their teachings and guidance. Intramurals, interscholastic sports competition and physical education classes are your means for physical advancement but if you are to improve you must take an active part in these programs to develop a sound and healthy body.

So, if you put your mind to it, your stay at Padua Prep will not be wasted.

Richard Regula

## STUDENT COUNCIL CORNER

In order to increase student participation in and concern for the council, a meeting was held during the 4:30 study period on February 17, explaining the constitution and answering questions from the student body. On February 21 during the 5:00 study period the council held its biweekly meeting. This demonstrated how meetings are conducted and how discussions are carried on.

A list of suggested council activities, which were taken from the National Association's Handbook, and activities from other schools was compiled and printed. Through this the students may find ideas and activities which they think are beneficial to the school and could be worked out by the council.

The council was accepted into the National Association of Student

## BAND PERFORMS

On January 20, 1963, Padua's band performed for the student body. "Joshua Fit the Battle" was the only selection played by the band. Fr. Brendan, the music director, said the reason the concert was so short was because he wanted to devote more time to the duets played by the music students, which highlighted the evening. It was a very successful concert. The band was in super form and the individual soloists were exceptionally well trained for their selections.

Councils and the New York State Association.

Since it is the second semester the freshmen have been given voting privileges, and elected their second permanent representative, John Civiok.

## PADUAN STAFF

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## FACULTY SPOTLIGHT LAUDAMUS . . .

This issue the spotlight shines on Fr. Brendan Wroblewski, O.F.M. He attended St. Bonaventure's Minor Seminary and High School in Sturtevant, Wisconsin, and after his graduation in 1947 he entered the Franciscan novitiate at Pulaski, Wisconsin. He continued his education at St. Francis College at Burlington, Wisconsin and at the Theologate in West Chicago, Ill. After his ordination in 1955, he attended De Paul University where he received his master's degree in music.

Father Brendan was appointed to Padua in 1959 where he has been teaching freshman algebra and religion. For years his main interest and hobby has been music. Since his arrival he has organized a school concert band, a chorus, and a dance orchestra. These groups occasionally perform for the student body and for social events. Father also gives piano and organ lessons.

In addition, Fr. Brendan is mechanically inclined and he repairs musical instruments and keeps them in tip top condition. He also has a natural knack for photography.

Father's willingness to help others, and his happy disposition will long be remembered by all who have ever come in contact with him.



Father Brendan, O.F.M.

## JEFFERSON MOTOR INN

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- ... Walter Snopek, '62 for his help with the gym team during his semester vacation. He is presently majoring in physical education at Ithaca College.
- ... Marie LeFrois for purchasing a hockey game for the rec-room. It affords the students many hours of enjoyment.
- ... the crew that has volunteered to clean the washrooms every Saturday night.
- ... Fr. Eric for waxing the skis.
- ... the student body for meeting the ad quota.
- ... the "Buffers' Union" for doing a good job of washing and buffing the first floor corridors and the lobby every week.
- ... Brother Timothy for his faithful service on the ice rink.
- ... the students who made the honor roll.
- ... the basketball team for breaking the five year jinx with Mt. Carmel.
- ... the early morning servers and singers for faithfully fulfilling their obligation.

## CONDEMNAMUS . . .

- ... the junior class for not shoveling the snow from the sidewalks.
- ... the student body for not exercising school spirit at basketball games.
- ... those who don't write home.

## WINTER SPORTS

The cold, brisk winter has settled upon the Padua campus leaving the hills and country side covered with snow and giving the students the opportunity for many enjoyable winter sports and hours of fun. Tobogganing, skiing and sleighing are the favorites.

Tobogganing is rated as the most popular by the students because of the thrilling ride one receives when riding swiftly down the hills. Another popular winter sport which is for the more courageous is skiing. Sled riding is the last of the snow sports but the newest at Padua. The dozen sleds that have been purchased by the school this year have scored a tremendous hit with the boys. Last, but not least, of the winter sports is ice skating. The ice rink has been set up on the athletic field and is cared for faithfully by Brother Timothy. Both the students and faculty alike make good use of the ice, especially in the ice hockey games.



**CATHOLIC BOOK MONTH**

Blessed Louis de Montfort once said, "Tell me what you read, and I will tell you what you are". What the good saint had in mind is the excellent inspiration good Catholic books can give to any prudent reader. At Padua we have easy access through our library to a wealth of Catholic reading. This year the library has added many new and interesting books to its shelves. Time on your hands? Pick up a good book from the library and read it. Since February is the Catholic book month, you should try to read at least some Catholic literature.

**ORATORICAL CONTEST**

On January 10, 1963, the Schuyler County American Legion sponsored their annual Oratorical Contest at Watkins Glen High School. The schools that participated in the contest were Watkilns, Odessa-Montour, St. John's M. S. and Padua Prep. Alfred Nessel of St. John's took first prize of \$15. His speech was entitled, "In God Do We Trust". Padua's representative was senior Edward Walczak. Ed's speech was "The Magnificent Experiment", and it won for him \$5 and a tie for third place.

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**GYM TEAM TO PERFORM**

Padua's gymnastic team will give its first exhibition of the year at Romulus High School on Feb. 28. Their performance will consist of two shows, one for the high school and the other for the elementary school.

Their next show is scheduled for March 18, 1963, at Trumansburg High School during an assembly program.

**RAFFLE RESULTS**

The Annual Raffle and Card Party sponsored by the New Jersey Parents' Association for the benefit of St. Anthony of Padua was held on Tuesday, Jan. 29, 1963 at Mt. Carmel Auditorium, Bayonne, New Jersey. The winners of the raffle prizes are as follows:

Stereo Hi-Fi — Mrs. Loretta Zolnowski

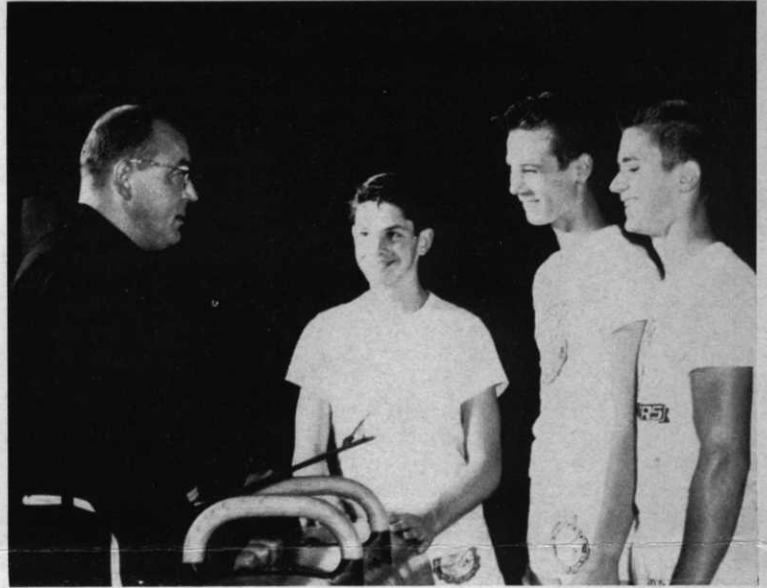
Portable TV — Mrs. Helen Mangini

Corning Ware — L. I., N. Y.

A sincere "Thank You" to all who made this event so successful.

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Fr. Emil instructs Dave Susi, Ron Siedecki and Bill Brzoska in a physical education class

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gas in the fourth quarter in a great team effort. With a little extra hustle they outscored Mt. Carmel 16-12 and ended the fourth quarter in a 59-59 tie. After a short rest the two teams came back onto the court to do battle with each other in the overtime period. Both teams showed signs of fatigue as the result of a long, hard played game. In the first overtime period both teams matched each other basket for basket and the game was still in a tie, 63-63. This forced a second overtime period. This time the Cascaders outdid the Mountaineers by outscoring them 8-2 to clinch the overtime victory which marked the first win over Mt. Carmel in six years. Padua's heroes were Den Springer who was the game's high scorer with 23 points. Rich Kvedrovicz scored 15 points, followed by 12 points from Jim Mangini whose return to the Cascader lineup greatly helped Padua's cause.

**—NOTRE DAME—**

Notre Dame defeated the Cascaders for the second time this season, this time by a 72-59 score in an exciting rapidly moving game played on Padua's home court. Notre Dame used speed and scored mostly on outside shots as they dominated first half play. The Cascaders simply didn't take advantage of their opportunities and the score at halftime stood at 38-24. A peped up Cascader squad made a strong bid in the last half overcoming a 14 point deficit and brought

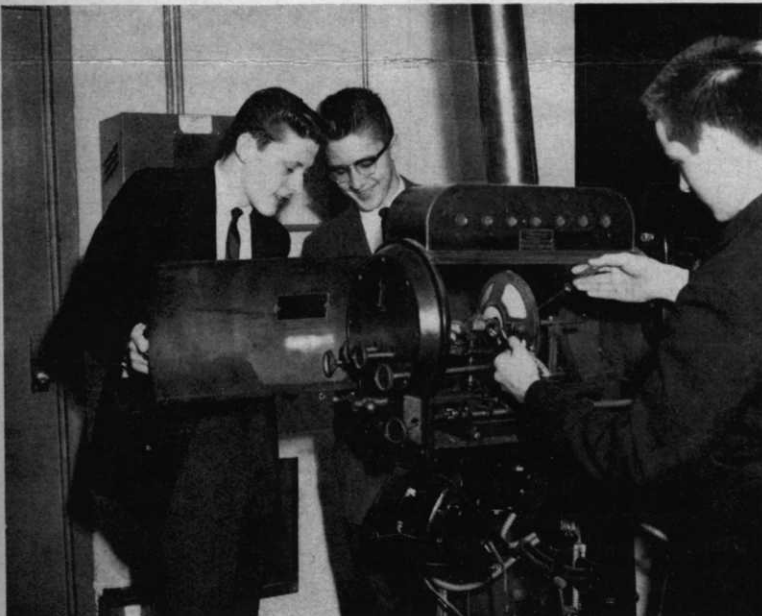
the score up to a 5 point difference. In desperation the Cascaders put on a full court press, but to no avail as Notre Dame held off Padua's late surge and went on to score a 72-59 victory. Padua's Den Springer was the game's high scorer with 21 points, followed by Rich Kvedrovicz with 18.

**—OVID—**

On Feb. 10, the Cascaders met their upset of the year at the hands of the Ovid Hornets. Throughout most of the game the Cascaders showed signs of weariness from their previous night game against Notre Dame. The Padua quintet pushed ahead in the first half as they passed well and made their outside shots. Nevertheless, Ovid managed to stay on Padua's heels and the score at half time was 28-24. The second half for Padua was a complete disaster as everything seemed to go wrong and the Cascaders' offense went to pieces and could only manage to score 3 points to Ovid's 11. In the fourth quarter Ovid sewed the game up by outscoring the Cascaders 22-15 to cop the victory. The defeat dropped the Cascaders' season record to a disappointing 5-10.

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## HANK'S CAGE REVIEW

With only 3 games remaining to be played, the current cage season is near the end for Padua. The season is somewhat of a disappointment for all, as the team was expected to find itself on top in the won-lost column. The present record of 5-10 shows that the team did have its off nights. Among the victories and losses, the Cascaders upset opponents and in turn were upset themselves.

### —OVID—

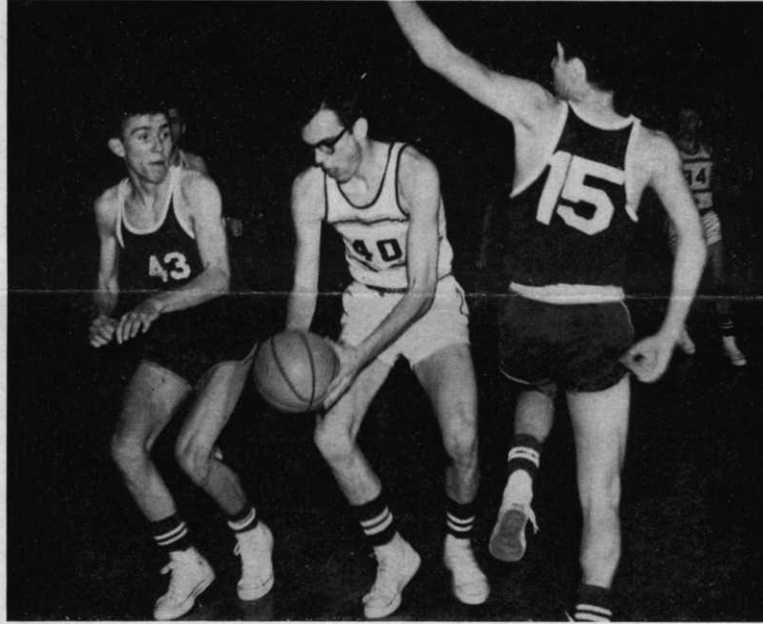
The night of December 15 ended Padua's long and rough four game losing streak gave the Cascaders a much needed and deserved win. Entertaining Ovid Central on their home court the Cascaders had little trouble in putting away the Hornets for their third win of the season. Scoring 22 and 24 points in the first and second quarters the Cascaders had one of their hottest nights offensively. Following the half-time intermission the Padua five's torrid offense cooled off and the Cascaders could only salvage 18 points. The Cascaders were led by Den Springer who reached his season high so far by scoring 26 big points in Padua's 64-53 victory.

### —DUNDEE—

The varsity basketballers moved to Dundee on December 18 to face the Dundee Scotsmen. A fine two man performance by Den Springer and Rich Kvedrovicz brought the Prep its 4th win of the season in a 73-59 victory. The Cascaders started off slowly in the first quarter but found the mark in the second as they gained a 38-29 half-time lead. Second half play saw the Cascaders playing more as a team. They played harder and used their fast break to outdo their opponents and register a 73-59 victory for Padua. It was mostly through the efforts of Springer and Kvedrovicz that the Cascaders stayed on top during the game. Both men controlled the boards offensively as well as defensively for Padua as well as scoring 27 and 26 points respectively. Den Springer scored continuously under the boards with tap-ins and driving lay ups. Rich Kvedrovicz took advantage of foul shots and a deadly jump shot from the outside to run up his total.

### —C. F. A.—

Following the Christmas-New Year holidays the Cascaders played host to Corning Free Academy on January 8, in their first outing of the new year. The Academy Bulldogs, however, didn't seem to have any holiday spirit left in them as they showed no mercy in trouncing



Den Springer drives through his opponents

Padua 83-43. C.F.A. in its first outing against Padua earlier this season had gained a one point victory against the Cascaders in a hard fought game. However, in this second meeting of the two teams, the Corning five completely out-classed the Padua quintet as each starter for the Bulldogs hit double figures. Corning's big postmen blocked many of the Cascaders' shots and their outside shooting and speed was fantastic and just too much. Dennis Springer was the lone Cascader to have a good night as he hit the baskets for 19 points.

### —HORSEHEADS—

Playing a top rated area team without the services of star center Dennis Springer, the Padua five went down for their sixth loss of the season. The Horseheads Blue Raiders literally had no trouble putting down the Cascaders in defending their unbeaten record this season. Towering height and more accurate shooting spelled the difference. Hank Butka led the losers with 13 points while Stan Czarnecki and Rich Kvedrovicz followed with 10 points each.

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### —NOTRE DAME—

On January 27, the Padua Cascaders passed and dribbled to their eighth loss of the season to a ball hawking Notre Dame team of Elmira. The Notre Dame Crusaders, a relatively small team, concentrated a great deal on team defense. They did just that against Padua when the two teams met for the first time this season. The Cascaders had a hard time trying to dribble and pass as Notre Dame often intercepted their passes and turned them into baskets. Notre Dame's defense was so tough that it limited the Cascaders to a humiliating 6 points in the first quarter, 5 in the second and 4 in the third. Notre Dame was in possession of a 47-15 lead at the end of the third period. Then in the fourth quarter the Cascaders led by Den Springer caught fire and scored 32 points. This, however, was not enough to overcome Notre Dame's large lead and the Cascaders went down in defeat, 66-47. Padua's big center, Dennis Springer, was the game's high scorer as he reached his season high scoring effort, netting 30 points, 21 in Padua's big fourth quarter.

### —WATKINS GLEN—

Although the Cascaders lost a tough one to Watkins Glen on Jan. 21 everyone will agree that this was a thrilling and hard fought contest for both teams. The Senecas of Watkins Glen were definitely outplayed by the Cascaders in the first half of the game. The Padua quintet played heads up ball defensively and offensively as they collected points through their aggressive playmaking, and as a result the Cascaders held a slim lead, 27-25 at the end of the second quarter. However, in the third quarter the Senecas found reserve power and began hitting the mark to outscore the Cascaders and take the lead 38-37 going into the fourth and final quarter. It was here in the fourth quarter that Watkins got an added kick in their offense and went on to outscore the Cascaders and win the game by a score of 57-49. Rich Kvedrovicz won the game's scoring honors, as he practically scored half the Cascaders' tallies, sinking 23 points.

### —MOUNT CARMEL—

The most exciting victory so far this season came on February 1 when Padua edged the Mount Carmel Mountaineers of Auburn in a double-overtime contest. The Cascaders' victory was an upsetting one as it snapped Mt. Carmel's usual dominance over Padua. It was the first varsity victory over Mt. Carmel since the 1956-57 season. This action packed contest was filled with thrills from beginning to end as the Cascaders had to come from behind in order to win. The Cascaders found themselves behind 13-8 at the end of the first quarter. Things didn't get any better for Padua in the second quarter as Mount Carmel widened their lead to 34-23 at the end of the first half. Following the half time intermission, a new Padua five walked onto the court for the start of the second half. They fought hard and long and cut down the Mountaineers' lead to a slim 47-43 margin at the end of the third quarter. The Cascaders then turned on the

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