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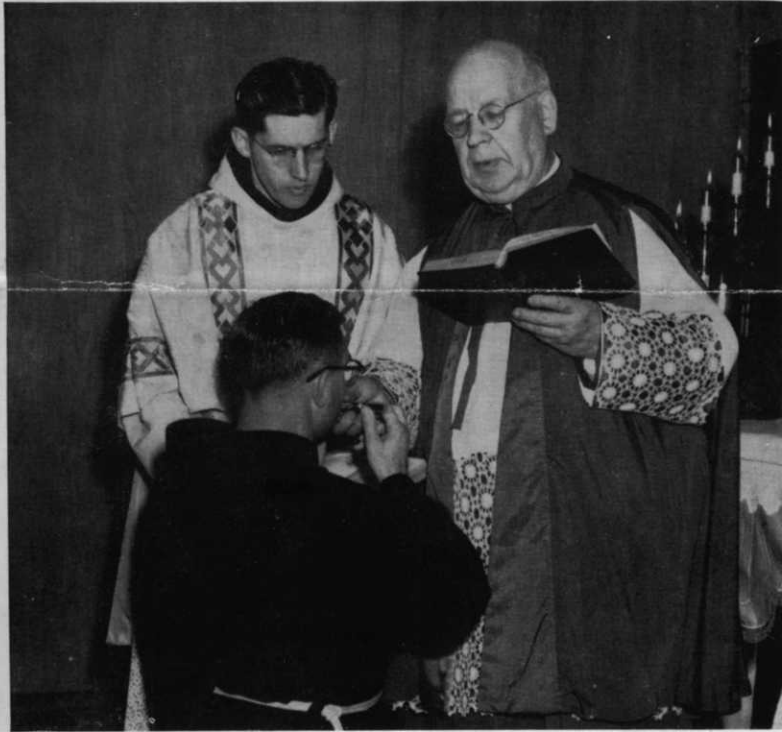
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## Fr. George Receives Memorable Farewell



Fr. George Receiving Mission Cross

On Sunday, October 10, Fr. George, a former professor at Padua High was given a rousing farewell by the students and guests before his departure for the Philippine Islands at the Jimmy Franzese Banquet. The banquet was a fitting occasion for Fr. George's send-off. Jimmy, before his untimely death last summer, had been the physical education instructor and sports coach at Padua, and Fr. George was his co-worker and close friend.

The affair began with inspiring ceremonies in the student chapel. Msgr. Joseph Balcerak, pastor of St. Stanislaus Church in Rochester, as the celebrant, presented Fr. George with the mission cross.

After the ceremonies everyone gathered in the student refectory which was gaily decorated for the occasion. Fr. Claude Zabinski, O.F.M., rector of Padua High, gave a short talk welcoming the guests, after which, at his request, Don and Bill Franzese, Jimmy's brothers, unveiled a life size portrait of the late coach. The portrait will be placed in the gymnasium as a

memento to Jimmy. After the dinner, Mr. Arthur Richards, well known newsman of Watkins Glen and a close friend of Padua High, filling the role of toastmaster introduced the people at the main table. The occasion had been honored by the presence of the parents and relatives of Jimmy. Msgr. Balcerak was called upon to give the farewell speech. Then the toastmaster asked Fr. Humphrey Tobias, O.F.M., to present to the assembly the Philippino guests he had brought down for the occasion.

The banquet proved to be a great success, as over \$1,300 had been raised as a contribution to the "Jimmy Franzese Memorial Fund." The money was given to Fr. George to use in his mission work. Much credit is due to the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's of the Lake Parish of Watkins Glen, which helped greatly in promoting the banquet.

Fr. George brought the affair to a close with a speech in which he expressed his sincere gratitude to all who had participated in making the banquet a success.

### OFF TO A GOOD START

Monday evening, September 20, saw all the Paduans gathered in the chapel, and with the singing of the "Veni Creator", they began the pre-school retreat under the guidance of Fr. Simon Kwiatkowski, O.F.M.

Fr. Simon reminded the students that if they wished to receive God's blessings and graces for the school year, they had better take the matter of retreat seriously and devote the time exclusively to contemplation and prayer. He suggested they pursue the aim of the retreat under the following motto . . . "think more, resolve more and pray more." Then he went on to explain, "to think more about God's blessings, to resolve more not only in general way, but strive to correct particular faults and to pray more, so that we come to a better knowledge of God."

In order to further the aims of the retreat the library issued

### ENROLLMENT

The enrollment of the school has risen slightly above the level of the previous year. Of the 123 boys comprising the student body, ten are Seniors, twenty-four, Juniors; thirty-four, Sophomores; and fifty-five Freshmen.

Their background as usual is quite varied and represents six states, though two of these, Connecticut and West Virginia, have sent only one representative to the school. New York is the leading state with seventy-six, followed by New Jersey and Pennsylvania with twenty-two and eighteen respectively, while Ohio has five. As far as cities are concerned, New York City with twenty-eight boys (twenty-two of them from Brooklyn) beats its nearest and only rival, Buffalo, by the slim margin of three. After these two cities, Pittsburgh, with seven boys, comes next.



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## LEND ME YOUR EARS

A series of lectures has been arranged for the present school year through the courtesy of Mr. Arthur H. Richards Jr. We look forward to these lectures hoping that they will prove profitable experiences of great value to us.

The introductory lecture of the series was delivered by Mr. Richards himself, a reporter for the Gannett News Service. His lecture outlined the work of a reporter as seen from that viewpoint. Mr. Richards' explanations of the various aspects of Journalism included many historical facts which he illustrated by relating a few experiences from his past 25 years of newspaper reporting. The news stories which had their setting either in Watkins Glen, or our school, the former Glen Springs Hotel, were of special interest.

The following lecturer, Mr. Abdulazim Sadaghyani, Agricultural Engineer from Cornell University, spoke about his country, Iran, using colored slides to illustrate the various points of his lecture. Starting with the location of Iran, Mr. Sadaghyani went on to describe the inhabitants and customs of this exotic country. Being a specialist in agricultural methods, he showed us the great progress that his country is making in bringing their agriculture up to the highly mechanized and productive system of the United States and other European countries. The lecture ended with a question period during which the students had some of their questions on Iranian sports and education answered by Mr. Sadaghyani.

At a farewell party given to him by the Senior class, Fr. George stated that he had taken four courses at St. Bonaventure U., during the summer. Asked which one he liked best, he replied: "The golf course, naturally!"

## EXPLORER ACTIVITIES

Under the able leadership of Fr. Austin the Explorer Post 160 of Padua H. S. opened up another year of training young men in various outdoor activities. This year the post was flooded by an overwhelming number of new members. The entire enrollment contains 61 registered members. Fr. Maynard was put in charge of the Freshman class explorers since they comprise one-third of the post. Fr. Austin supervises the older boys. On its first meeting the following officers were chosen to preside over the meetings. Thaddeus Iwachow was elected chief crewleader, Joseph Piniewski secretary, and Richard Pason treasurer. Also at the first meeting several projects were brought up such as building an outdoor base at the post's campsite, acquiring a new troop flag and camp equipment.

## \$\$\$ - MONEY - \$\$\$

Richard Tulko

Yes, that is just what we need and plenty of it, to help finance the publication of the forthcoming yearbook. Everyone from Freshmen to Seniors wants a yearbook that gives credit to the school and everyone connected with it.

The Senior class has the job of trying to make the coming annual meet those standards. It is a tough job. Layouts, cuts, write-ups, all these require concentration, and much effort. It is hard work but it must be done and it will be done. We want an outstanding yearbook.

But . . . and here comes the catch, money is needed for the hundred and one items necessary for the job; much more money than the Seniors could ever hope to collect by themselves. Therefore it is up to us, the rest of the student body, to help them as much as we can by soliciting ads and contributions for the yearbook. The money we bring in will make it possible for the Siquaeris to meet the expectations of everyone who really wants a good yearbook.

The coming Thanksgiving vacation will be the time to show that everyone here at school is actually interested in this project. Collect ads and contributions.

## NEW PROFESSORS

The new year brought many new faces to Padua. Among these were several new professors.

First is Father Leo Adasiewicz, our new disciplinarian. Father Leo, born in Stambough, Michigan, and ordained in 1939, has had a very colorful career as a Franciscan. During the years following his ordination, he was chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital in Green Bay, Wisconsin, professor of Ethics and Religion in the school for nurses, and professor of Church History for the clerics at St. Mary of the Angels Seminary in Green Bay, Wisconsin. From 1944 till 1950, Father served as a member of the Academy of American History in Washington, D. C. While a member, he spent two years in South America, particularly in Bolivia and Ecuador, microfilming Franciscan historical documents for the Academy. He was transferred back to St. Mary of the Angels Seminary as professor of Church History, Pastoral Theology, and Pastoral Medicine and from there to St. Joseph's Friary in Sturtevant, Wisconsin, where he acted as guardian. Fr. Leo arrived at Padua to take up the job of disciplinarian and professor of Social Sciences.

The next newcomer to Padua is Father Victorian Sypniewski. Father Victorian, who was ordained in 1948, spent the following years at St. Bonaventure's in Sturtevant, Wisconsin, as Professor, Athletic Director and moderator of the Seraphic Student, St. Bona's School paper. At Padua Father is the Registrar, Secretary, Professor of Religion and Moderator of the Paduan.

Padua also welcomed Father Maynard Kolodziej and Father Rudolph Wieszczyk as members of the Faculty. Father Maynard is professor of Economics as well as moderator of the Third Order and Assistant-Scoutmaster for our Explorer post. Father Rudolph is professor of Polish for the Freshmen and Sophomores and moderator of our Sodality. Welcome and good luck Fathers.

Why did Kelly persist in asking a question of the lecturer from Iran? Could be Kelly was there and disagreed on some points!





## SOCCKER

For the second time in two years the Cascader soccer team was faced with a tremendous rebuilding job. This year it was placed into the hands of Fr. Emil, who was making his debut as a soccer coach.

The team was highlighted by a fine group of spirited boys and the all around playing of center half and also the captain of the soccer team, Gene Szufel. Though the Cascaders dropped their first two games to the powerful Elkland team, they came back to trounce Blossburg 4-0.

### Scores

Padua 4	Elkland 6
Padua 0	Elkland 4
Padua 4	Blossburg 0



Cascaders Driving For a Goal

## CLASS COMPETITION

Immediately after the finish of the soccer season, the class competition was under way. The best men of each class represented their respective classes in the game.

In soccer the Seniors beat the Sophomores 5 to 0, while the Juniors trounced the Freshmen 12 to 0. In the final game the Seniors edged out the Juniors in an overtime game 4 to 2 with the Seniors scoring their winning goal with only three seconds in the overtime period. The Sophomores won the consolation game 6 to 0.

Turning to football, the Seniors won their game against the Sophomores 38 to 6. The Juniors rolled over the Freshmen 77 to 6. Then in the playoffs the Juniors edged the Seniors 7 to 0. In the consolation game, the Freshmen upset the Sophomores 2 to 0.

## BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

While Freshmen nervously awaited initiation, the upper classmen gathered in the gymnasium for tryouts for the Varsity basketball team. All the boys were given a chance to show their abilities on the floor. Nine veterans were among the seventeen boys chosen to be on this year's squad. Daily practice was to start as soon as regulations permitted. We wish the best of luck to the coach and team.

## INITIATION

As in the past years here at Padua, the Freshmen underwent the customary and much dreaded initiation ceremonies, which were held during the Halloween week end. First on the program of scheduled events was the traditional bonfire and marshmallow roast held on Sunday evening and followed by a movie in the gymnasium.

The following day the Sophomores undertook a new profession, that is, how to put on make-up, and in some cases they painted the Freshmen with such artistic appeal that it could rival the masterpiece of any Hollywood make-up artist. After this, the Sophomores displayed their work by parading the Freshmen around the campus.

Later in the day the Halloween Marathon was held on the athletic field. This consisted of several events in which all the classes participated. It was a close battle, with the Juniors winning the Marathon by three points.

In the evening the Freshmen underwent the usual initiation "hazing", being treated to the "hot-seat", the bowlful of spaghetti worms, the glass carpet, the pillow and glove fights and so on. To top off a perfectly swell day the student body was treated to another movie in the gymnasium.

## THE MARATHON

Although snow flurries floated through the air, spirits were high as the Freshmen were trying to avoid initiation by defeating the Sophomores, and the Seniors were determined to continue the prestige of previous Seniors and capture the Sweepstakes Trophy and win the marathon.

A sensational finish was displayed by the Senior class in the cross country race, with John Uss crossing the finish line followed closely by Tom Waszak. The Juniors took second place in the cross country race and that gave them the necessary points which gave them victory.

Juniors—36 points

Seniors—33 points

Sophomores—16 points

Freshmen—9 points

## JUNIORS HOLD CLASS MEETING

At their first class meeting of the year, the Juniors quickly got down to the business of electing officers for the forthcoming year. The voting resulted in the election of Paul Golinski as president; Richard Nawrot, vice president; Thomas Waszak, secretary; and Thomas Tulko, treasurer.

During the discussion on class rings which followed, it was decided to keep the same style as in the preceding years. The meeting was then adjourned with a prayer by Fr. Emil, the class moderator.

## NEW COACH FOR PADUA

After the unfortunate death of our former physical education teacher and coach, Mr. Franzese, Mr. Robert Wendland was selected to fill the position. Mr. Wendland lives in Elmira Heights, N. Y. and is a graduate of Ithaca College. He officiated in almost all sports as a referee before taking the position at Padua as physical education director and coach for the basketball Varsity.

## INTRAMURAL SOCCER

This fall all the Paduans excluding the varsity soccer players participated in the intramural program. All the boys were eager to play. Nine of the varsity players were coaches and also referees. They chose the teams and made the schedules.

Soon the games were under way. There was sharp competition and this helped make the league play interesting. The race for the first division was very close and first place was decided by only a game. The final standing showed Uss's team in first place.

### Intramural Standings

Team	W	T	L	Pct.
Uss	4	5	0	.722
Szufel	4	3	2	.611
Pindel	5	1	3	.600
Waszak	3	4	2	.555
Killigrew	2	5	2	.500
Maksymowicz	3	3	4	.450
Kurina	2	4	3	.444
Amrozowicz	2	3	5	.350
Asiello	0	5	4	.278

After league competition was over, the coaches chose an intramural all star team.

Eighteen of the best intramural players were chosen to play the Varsity. The all stars played a good name, but due to the lack of experience the Varsity rolled over them 10 to 0.

## JUNIOR VARSITY

After successfully completing one rebuilding job, Fr. Emil will be faced with another, since only one is returning to play junior varsity from last year. Practically the whole Freshman class was on hand for the tryouts, but after a week's activity the team was down to five Freshmen and eight Sophomores. He hope this year's team will attain the success of last year's team.



## FRESHMEN HOLD CLASS MEETING

The Freshman class held their first class meeting September 22, with Fr. Victoriano, the class moderator, presiding. After giving a short talk concerning the purpose of class meetings, Fr. Victoriano proposed that the meeting begin with the election of officers. The result of the balloting was as follows: President, John Monohan; Vice-president, John Knorowski; Secretary, Michael Gorman; Treasurer, John Balsiewicz. Fr. Victoriano suggested that he appoint the athletic director until the class had the opportunity to see which of the suggested candidates would prove to be the best choice.

The class got off to a good start right away, choosing St. Michael as their class patron, the rose as the class flower, and blue and gold as their class colors. On the financial side, it was decided that annual dues would amount to two dollars for each member.

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various books and pamphlets on spiritual life. The students availed themselves of this opportunity and spent much of their time in reading.

Conferences led by the retreat master were held in the morning and in the afternoon; the remainder of the retreat program was formed by the Way of the Cross, the Rosary and other spiritual exercises.

The retreat was brought to a close Tuesday evening with devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary, a sermon by Fr. Simon and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

## SENIOR CLASS MEETING

With the school year just under way, the Senior class officers assembled early to discuss the problems which have accumulated during the summer months.

From the list of details, the matter of class dues was quickly erased with the majority in favor of \$5.00 per year. The next topic of discussion pertained to themes for the forthcoming yearbook, but none, as of yet, was accepted from those proposed. Of course, the subject of soliciting ads was a major question, and a progress indicator on an ad collecting program is being inaugurated.

During the course of the meeting, Fr. Claude acted as moderator in absentia of former moderator Fr. George, who is now performing mission duties at Samar, in the Philippine Islands.

Unlike the other classes, the Seniors were spared the trouble of electing officers due to the fact that this had already been taken care of at the last meeting of the previous year. Richard Tulko was chosen class president, John Kurina vice president, and Leonard Dmuchowski and Robert Malina were re-elected secretary and treasurer respectively.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS MEETS

As is customary at the first class meeting of the year, the first item on the agenda of the Sophomore class was the election of officers. However, before the actual balloting began, Father Humphrey, moderator of the class, commended last year's officers on the splendid job they had done. When the elections were over, Richard Passon had been elected president, Andrew Zujkowski, vice president; Francis Bazyk, secretary; and Raymond Ryniak treasurer.

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## LIBRARY CHATTER

The school library, under the direction of Fr. Iranaeus again lends its resources to the students.

The beginning of the school year brought new officers to the library. They are: Joseph Piniewski, head librarian; Joseph Barstys and Richard Passon typists; Valentine Lapsanski, manager of overdue books; Richard Nawrot, stylist; Walter Szczepaniak, utility man.

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