

New Administrator Times Three

By JOAN M. SMITH

This September, Cardinal Mooney students and faculty will be greeted by three new administrators: Brother Francis Ellis, CSC, principal; Sister Barbara Weyand, RSM, vice principal; Brother John Nicpon, CSC, director of Studies.

According to Brother Ellis, he hasn't, as yet, set any monumental goals. Rather, his primary interest is in achieving a smooth transition of administrations. This shouldn't be a difficult task as he along with Sister and Brother John through their enthusiasm and great sense of humor have created a working rapport between themselves.

Sister Barbara told the Courier-Journal she was excited about her new duties declaring, "I'm looking on it as a great challenge."

She likes working with teenagers and until recently, taught music at Our Lady of Mercy High School. Other teaching assignments included St. John the Evangelist (Humboldt St.) and St. James schools.

Sister, a native of Hornell, attended Nazareth College receiving her BS and went on to receive her MS from Ithaca College. She took additional studies both there and at Boston College.

New Mooney Program

Cardinal Mooney swings into action for the 1978-79 school year with a teachers orientation day, Sept. 5. Freshmen registration will be Sept. 6; junior registration in the morning Sept. 7 followed by soph registration in the afternoon. Seniors will register, Sept. 8. Freshmen will attend full-day sessions Sept. 11 and all students will report on Sept. 12.

According to school sources Cardinal Mooney is heralding a first of a kind in the diocese, a campus ministry program. It will be directed by Brother Mark Knightly who will be assisted by Sister Marion Dimino, SSI, and Brother Raymond Powers, CSC.

DeSales Opens Sept. 6

Aside from the cleaning, painting and repairs which will give the 66 year old Geneva DeSales High School a new look, new courses have been added to the curriculum — French IV, Spanish IV, and Advanced Placement History. Also several extracurricular activities are on the agenda including a color guard unit under the direction of John Englert.

Sister Mary Maywalt will replace Sister Patricia Flass as vice principal. Sister Mary comes to DeSales from St. Agnes where she was dean of students. She is a graduate of Nazareth College and received her MA in administration from Notre Dame University.

Sister Patricia has been appointed principal of Blessed Sacrament Junior High School.

Along with her vice principal duties, she will also be director of admissions and moderator of the sophomore class. When she finds time for herself she likes participating in water sports, enjoys knitting and the theater.

Brother John who comes from Albany, will oversee student schedules, issue report cards and teach Math. He received his BS from the University of Notre Dame and his MA from Wesleyan University. His former teaching assignments include Holy Cross High School in Connecticut, Bishop Hendricken High in Rhode Island and six years at St. Leo's School, Uganda Africa.

"Before Idi Amin's time," he exclaimed. According to Brother the once African diocese-owned St. Leo's, which was administered by the Holy Cross Order, has now been nationalized.

For relaxation, Brother enjoys tennis, preferring to play rather than watch it on TV.

Brother Ellis enjoys sports and though he has had experience as an athletic director said as far as Mooney sports goes he'll sit on the sidelines. He noted the Mooney athletic program is in great shape under Ed Nietopski's guiding hand and Brother will be pleased just to "merely be a spectator."

The summer has seen football field improvements; fencing financed by the Men's Guild project and new bleachers which were financed by the activities of the Student Council.

Having started his teaching career in the fifties, Brother pinpointed some differences between the students of that era and the 70's. He maintained that today's students know a lot more, express themselves better verbally and have a wider range of experience. He observed, however, that their predecessors read more.

Regarding discipline, Brother said its implementation rests primarily with teachers and that it shouldn't be overemphasized for its own sake but should be a natural part of the academic program.

Brother attended the University of Notre Dame for his BA, received his MA from Siena College and took additional studies at Wesleyan University. He has taught at Vincentian Institute in Albany and Holy Cross High School in Flushing.



While Cardinal Mooney students have been relaxing this summer, the school's new administrators — Brother Francis Ellis, principal; Sister Barbara Weyand, vice principal and Brother John Nicpon, dean of Studies — have been preparing for the 1978-79 school year.

St. Patrick's Adds Specialist Teachers

Owego—St. Patrick's School will be greeting 135 students when the new school year begins Sept. 6, Sister Miriam Nugent, principal, reports. That represents a slight drop from last year, she noted, in the school which has grades one through six.

Three new specialist teachers have been added for the coming year, she noted. Cindy Goodrich will take the responsibility for the school's art program. Cassie O'Gara will be teaching physical education, and Melissa Collins will be the music teacher.

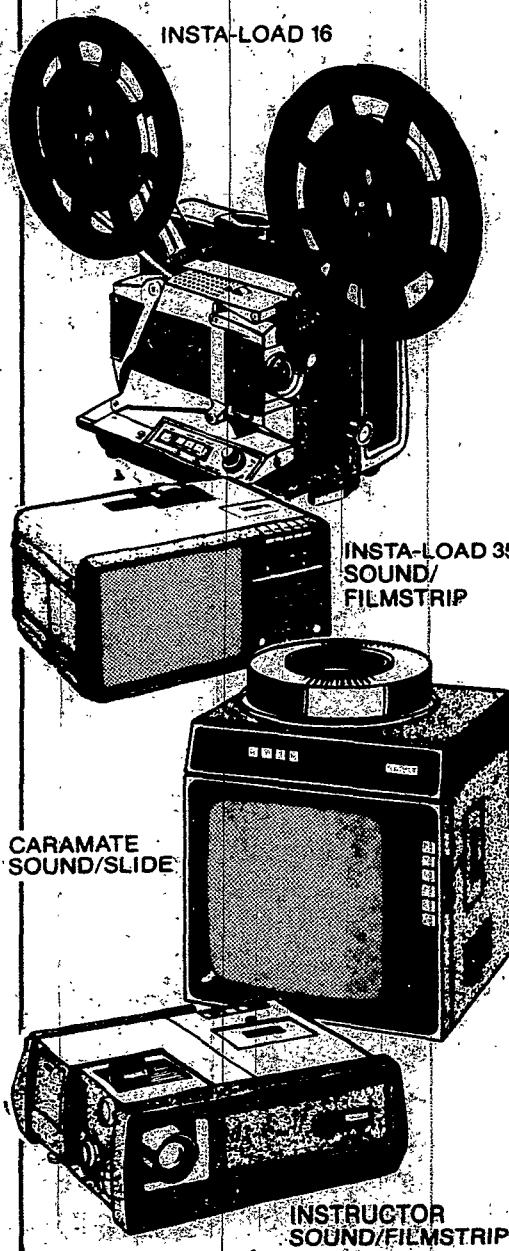
Three new classroom teachers will be joining the faculty; Mrs. Glenna Wickline

in the third grade, Miss Linda Stockdale in the fifth grade, and Mrs. Martha Schneider in the sixth grade. The other teachers are Sister Miriam, first grade, Mrs. Patricia Myers, second grade, and Sister Theresa Ruty, fourth grade.

The school also will have the continued services of a full time teacher aide and of a remedial reading teacher through the federally-funded Title I program, sister noted.

She also reported that the school's parents association has already started work on the school's Fall Festival, scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 30.

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