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The Rev. George M. "Pat" Thompson was ordained to the priesthood on Sunday, July 6, in St. Mary's cathedral in Peoria. Father Thompson, will serve in the Peoria diocese.

John R. McCormick is an instructor in the English Department of the Huntsville, Alabama, extension of the University of Alabama, and has had a number of articles published in national magazines during the past few months, the most recent in July 19 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

1949

Hi again, forty-niners, it's time for the students to return to school and for us to begin a new year of alumni news. Before I start, I hope you all had a fine summer.

First, I hear that Bob McAndrew, now working for Dunn and Bradstreet, is now married, Congratulations, Bob.

Good luck to Bob Wallace who is starting a new year with Mason City high school. Bob taught last year at McGregor, and will take over science classes and physical education.

Charley Vorderberg writes that he received his M.A. from Iowa University in secondary educational administration. Charlie is still teaching speech in the Rock Island public schools, and enjoys it so much that he plans to start work on his Ph.D. next summer.

Joe Cherry is now at Camp Breckenridge, Ky. Will add his new address as soon as he sends it to me.

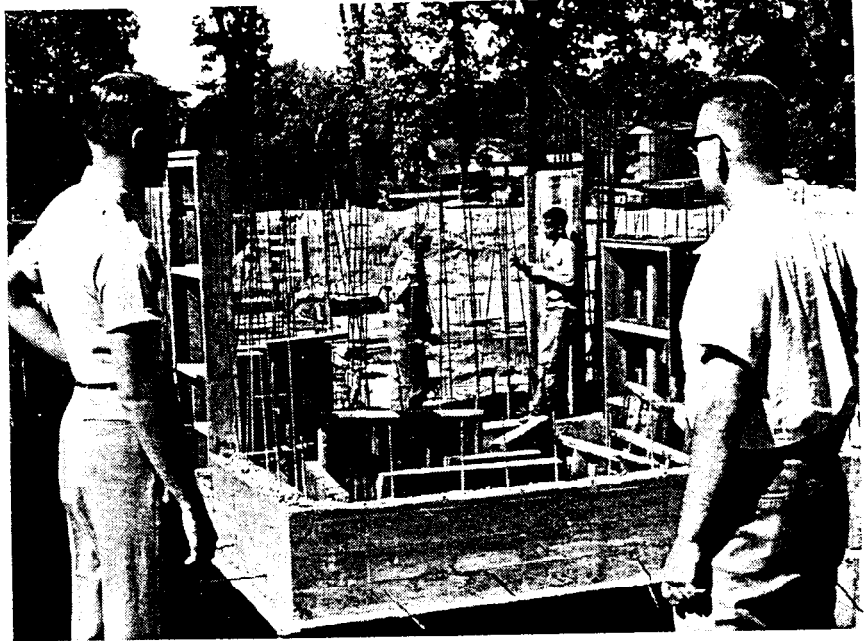
Received a nice letter from Joe Dunagan and his wife Jeanne, who are living in Sioux Falls, S.D. Joe is working for the Veterans Administration regional office. Before going to Sioux Falls, Joe received his M.A. in social service from St. Louis university. Both Joe and Jeanne are looking forward to the 1952 homecoming. Hope to see you both there.

Ray and Vera Ambrose are the proud parents of a new boy, Raymond Anthony Ambrose, Jr., known as Tony. Ray Sr. is now working for completes work for an M.A. degree City Service Oil company.

As you all know, the time is near for the 1952 homecoming, and I would like to include in this column a few of the highlights of this year's events.

As in other years, the students

To Lay Cornerstone Sept. 23rd



ABOVE THE GROUND—Two St. Ambrose students, Earl Calkins, left, and Mark Archer, right, both of Rock Island, are pictured above as they inspect the progress being made in the construction of the new \$450,000 chapel on the college campus, which is being built through the generosity of the priests of the Davenport diocese. All of the foundations have been laid, and work is being completed on the sub-basement and lower floor levels, so that the structure is beginning to rise above the ground. Progress pictures of the chapel construction will be run in each issue of the ALUMNUS, and Alumni will have much to see when they return to the campus for homecoming weekend, Nov. 7 to 9. The chapel cornerstone will be laid at ceremonies to be held Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 23, and all alumni are cordially invited to be present.

homecoming will get underway on Friday night, Nov. 7, with the student dance. The alumni homecoming events will get underway with the parade Saturday afternoon, Nov. 8, at 2 p. m. Next, there will be a cocktail party at the Rathskeller of the Elks club from 4 to 6 p.m. At 7 p.m. Saturday, the rally will be held on the campus. Following the rally, the alumni homecoming dance will be held at the Blackhawk hotel from 9 to 1. This year, the Alumni Association will operate the bar at the dance. We were lucky in getting the complete second floor of the hotel for our dance.

This year, the homecoming football game will be against Lewis college on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 9. Before the game there will be a Mass at 9: 30 a. m. for the departed alumni, followed by the annual business meeting, and then the free lunch in the college gym. After the game there will be the usual smorgasbord served in the gym (at a price).

This year we wish to honor the five year classes beginning with the class of 1952 and going back as far as there are members living. The 1952 calendar of homecoming events promises to be the best in recent

years. I hope that I will be seeing most of you in Davenport for the big event. When you write your reservations to the Blackhawk hotel, homecoming headquarters, if you mention that you are coming for St. Ambrose homecoming, you will be given rooms on a floor reserved for the alumni. Until next month, So long.

Tom Grady, '49 Sec'y.

1950

News from you ambitious '50 graduates is mightily slow in arriving at the Hollembaek homestead. Now that cooler weather is here and many of you have resumed your regular work schedule, how about helping me out with a few words about yourself and family. The only way to keep this column alive is cooperation, so why not drop me a line before you finish reading this issue — How about it? ? A few briefs from our fellow grads:

John J. Morrissey, former guitarist and folk singer, is now a supervisor at the W. T. Grant store in Lacrosse, Wisconsin. His wife, Sue, is on the staff at St. Francis hospital, Lacrosse.

Jack Mosenfelder is assisting his father in supplying clothes for all the male patrons at Mosenfelder and