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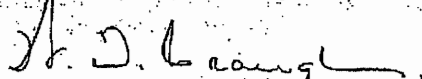
Right Reverend dear Monsignor:

Our Faculty's recommendation that Mr. Francis DeLuca be dropped from the student rolls was prompted by his unpromising scholastic ability. It was further felt that some explanation for his failure to produce better results could be found in his apparent carelessness and indifference, his readiness to seek a good time rather than apply himself to his more serious duties. I believe that His Excellency, Bishop Foery, was perhaps more impressed by our report that Mr. DeLuca had on occasion skipped a class or spiritual exercise. This may have been accidental, but Mr. DeLuca made no attempt to report his absence or offer any excuse for it.

As I stated in my letter to Mr. DeLuca's pastor, Fr. Riello, I would not presume to say that the young man is hopeless as a candidate for the priesthood. It may well be that the predicament through which he is now passing is what was needed to stimulate in him a more manly sense of responsibility.

Trusting that this information will be of some assistance to you, I remain

Very sincerely yours,



Rt. Rev. Wilfred T. Craugh, Rector.