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Bro. Stephen Sheehy, S.M. to Retire from the University of Dayton

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Father Roesch also revealed that he has appointed a committee of five to seek a successor to Bro. Sheehy. Rev. George Barrett, S.M., University Vice President will chair the committee of Miss Ann Franklin, Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences; Mr. Theodore Woloson, Director, Personnel Services; Robert Bray, Vice President for Student Affairs of the Student Government, and Bro. Sheehy.

In announcing the creation of the committee to University faculty and staff members, Father Roesch emphasized the importance of the position, not only to students, but to the entire University. He said that every effort will be made to consider qualified candidates from the University and nationally to fill this post no later than May, 1969.

Mr. Woloson, in referring to the committee, said that University candidates would be given first consideration.

He said that, under the administrative direction of the University President, the Dean of Students is responsible for the creation and maintenance of a cultural, social, and spiritual environment calculated to encourage the development of the individual student; to develop policies, procedures, and programs of financial assistance to students, Student Government, student organizations, and student publications; to administer programs of student discipline, student housing, health and recreational facilities and counseling services; to serve as Chairman, Student Welfare Council, to act as the communication media between the students and the academic and administrative aspects of the University, and to assume other responsibilities as may be delegated by the President.

Brother Sheehy came to the University in 1958 from Hamilton Catholic High School in Hamilton, Ohio. He had been assistant principal there. His first appointment at UD was as supervisor of Founders Hall, men’s dormitory. He was named Dean of Men and Director of Housing in 1959 and became the Dean of Students in 1966. He took his first vows in the Society of Mary in 1921 and was sent to a grade school in Erie, Pennsylvania, in 1922. He moved to Brooklyn in a similar capacity in 1924 and to Pittsburgh in 1925. He became an athletic director at Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii, in 1925 and stayed in the Islands until 1935. From that period until 1958 he taught and served in administrative positions in Cincinnati, Baltimore, Dayton and Hamilton.

He was teacher, dean of men, assistant principal and athletic director at Dayton Chaminade High School from 1942 until 1956. He received his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Dayton in 1931.

It is expected that, subject to approval of the University Board of Trustees, Bro. Sheehy may remain at UD in a consultant or advisory capacity. The Board of Trustees also must approve of his successor.