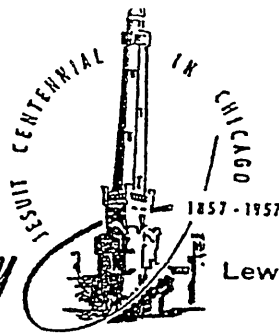
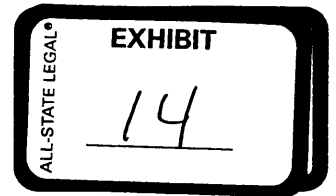


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My dear Bishop Hayes:

I think too few of the laity know much of that most important function of a Bishop, to be a Pastor Pastorum. Certainly it is a grave responsibility. I'm sure you've given much thought to Father Jansen and his difficulty, and said many prayers on his behalf. I offer to you my sincere apology for having kept you waiting so long for this report but it did seem wise to me to be relatively secure in my opinions before writing. I also wanted to have his grades here at Loyola.

Results of the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale indicate that Father Jansen is in the superior to very superior range of intelligence. He has a capacity for the exercise of common sense which is at the ceiling of this test. His vocabulary, ability to think abstractly and his retention of general information are all considerably above average. The expected signs of emotional disturbance associated with his problems are present, though they are not marked enough to have lowered his mental efficiency significantly. (Note that I said "capacity" for exercise of common sense. While he did not exercise common sense in some of his situations, this was partly due to his almost total lack of information regarding the nature and purpose of the sex drive. He was very naive in this respect. The high level of intelligence suggested is confirmed by the fact that he received grades of A and B for his work last semester, despite the fact that he was rather "at loose ends" as to what was to be his future.

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Results of the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory show no serious deviations from normal. Usually any basic homosexuality will show up in this study. By this I mean that there are signs which may or may not appear in a normal profile, but which almost always appear when homosexuality of a deep seated character is present.

The Rorschach and TAT taken together suggest that there is a disturbance in the sexual area. When one considers that Father Jansen's father died when Father was only six and that he had little or no opportunity for the forming of an ideal masculine relationship and no ideal male model as a consequence of this death; and that nothing whatever of sex was ever mentioned in his home and that all mention of sex was taboo, it is understandable that the above disturbance should exist. When sexual urges came strongly he didn't know what to do about them and so fell into some undesirable practices. He has strong needs for affection and for recognition, along with some concern about his own masculinity. When these are considered along with considerable emotional immaturity, again the above mentioned disturbance can be understood. It seems that when Father was most in need of guidance and understanding, 'fatherly' spiritual direction, there was none given. He went time after time to confession to two priests, having the same matter to confess, (i.e. masturbation and the problem of having some relationship with a male, this of course not as often as masturbation) and no word of counsel or spiritual direction was given. I suggest, Bishop, that this was a sad, and tragic omission. It seems too, that the accelerated program of studies may have failed to give him an adequate understanding of the significance of celibacy.

It is my belief that Father Jansen can become a very understanding and acceptable pastor and that the insight he has developed over a considerable period of therapy is such that he is not likely to fall into his past errors. However, and this is strongly emphasized, it is urgent and essential that he have assigned to him particularly, a mature, understanding, spiritual director; one who can act almost one would say, as a father figure. Also that he have regular and frequent contact with this director. If this can be done, it is my opinion that your wisdom in not depriving Father of his faculties will be shown, and that he can grow into one of your most loyal and personally devoted pastors.

It was a privilege to be of service to you and to Father Jansen. If I can help in any further way, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

Faithfully yours,


J. V. P. Stewart, Consulting Psychologist