



BISHOP'S HOUSE  
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DAVENPORT, IOWA

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- I Interview with Fr. Johnson's this afternoon at my house.
- II He denied that he had acted improperly with, as accused by mother of or with any other boy in St. Mary's Parish. He admitted wrestling around with boys, but nothing more serious.
- III - He admitted visiting frequently at the home - but denied any wrong-doing.
- IV He admitted disobeying my orders not to take boys in his auto - his excuse - he did not think the order was fair as other priests are not given similar orders.
- V He admitted taking \_\_\_\_\_ alone to Chicago the day after Thanksgiving.

#### VI Conclusion

- A - I do not know whether or not to believe him - his past record is against him.
- B - His attitude was that of offended innocence, claiming he was falsely accused, he did not cringe or beg for mercy; he insisted he was not guilty and offered to confront Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_

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