

## Archbishop Hanna Sings Anniversary Mass In Scottsville

The Most Rev. Edward J. Hanna, D. D., archbishop of San Francisco, sang the pontifical high Mass Sunday morning in celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the church of St. Mary's of the Assumption, Scottsville, and the twenty-fifth anniversary of its pastor, Rev. P. J. McArdle. Archbishop Hanna attended this church as a child.

Archbishop Hanna came from Washington to sing the jubilee mass at 11 o'clock last Sunday morning, assisted by Rev. John H. O'Brien, of St. Augustine's church, Rochester, as deacon, and Rev. John Sellinger, St. Charles church, Rochester, as sub-deacon. Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, bishop of the Rochester diocese, preached the sermon. Honorary deacons were Rev. Walter Lee, of Geneva; and Rev. Dennis V. Lane, of Industry. Father McArdle was assistant priest. Rev. A. Arthur Hughes, of Holy Rosary church, was master of ceremonies. A number of priests of the Rochester diocese were in the sanctuary.

St. Mary's of the Assumption is one of the oldest Catholic churches in Western New York. When the present building was constructed in 1853, it was the first Catholic church constructed of brick in Western New York outside of the city churches. The first records of the church go back to 1848, and appears that the Scottsville church was the center for many of the towns of Western New York. Parents were in the habit of bringing their children for baptism from Danville, Mt. Morris, Avon, and Rush.

In anticipation of the jubilee celebration, the church had been remodeled and redecorated during the past few months at a cost of \$7,500. At the services last Sunday morning in addition to the Scottsville parishioners, there were former residents from New York, Detroit, Buffalo and elsewhere. Father McArdle was especially pleased to welcome the first convert he ever made to Catholicism.

## St. Theresa's Church Plans New Building

Ground will be broken in May for the new church and school building which the Rev. Michael Drzewicki, O. M. C., is to build for the congregation of St. Theresa's church. Plans for the new building have been prepared by George F. Lorenz, architect. The estimated cost is \$100,000.

The exterior of the new building will be in modern Gothic architecture, with cream shade pressed brick and trimmed with cut stone. It will have a frontage of 62 feet on Mark Street and a depth of 118 feet and will be a steel frame construction and strictly fireproof throughout.

The Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, bishop of Rochester, realizing the rapid growth of the Polish inhabitants of the northeastern section of the city, and seeing the need of a Catholic parish in the upper Hudson Avenue section, delegated Father Drzewicki, formerly rector of Holy Rosary church, Taunton, Mass., to take up the task of developing the new parish, the organization of which was effected in September, 1927. Following this, the services of George F. Lorenz were engaged as architect for the new building. Later on several sites were considered and Father Drzewicki finally purchased five lots on Mark Street near Hudson Avenue.

The congregation of the new church is composed of about 250 families.

The first services were conducted Sunday, September 25, 1927, in Concordia Hall. Present at this service were the Very Rev. Justin Figa, provincial of the Minor Conventuals of the Polish Province, of Buffalo, the Very Rev. Monsignor J. Francis O'Hern, vicar-general of the Rochester diocese, the Rev. Stanislaus Supa, pastor of St. Stanislaus church in Hudson Avenue, and the Rev. Stephen Musielak, O. M. C., of Athol Springs, N. Y.

John Polanski and Leon Szarlacki are trustees.

## Blessed Sacrament Show Group to Meet

The committee appointed by John R. Powers, general chairman of the vaudeville entertainment to be given in the Blessed Sacrament School auditorium Monday night, will meet at 8 o'clock this evening in the church hall to complete arrangements for the party. The entertainment is open to members and friends of the Holy Name Society.

A varied program will be given on Monday, beginning at 8:15 o'clock. At 10:30 o'clock a buffet supper will be served by the Young Sodality of the church. The committee appointed by Mr. Powers to handle the arrangements is composed of the following:

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### Is It Worth While?

Four decades ago no missionary had set foot in the valley of Kashmir, British India. Thirty-five years ago, a priest of the Hill Hill Society said the first Mass in that earthly paradise of Asia. Some sixteen years ago, a young missionary was assigned a lonely Mission Station there, with not even one Catholic to answer or attend his daily Mass.

For twelve years he labored alone, taught school, planted fruit trees with the purpose of providing a future income and learned the language thoroughly. In twelve years he baptized two people. One was a cretin, the other a dying man.

After twelve years he invited the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary to help him in his labors. They went into villages with medicines and good advice, ventured to the bedside of the cholera stricken and soon the people fled to them with full trust and confidence.

Thus a dispensary originated spontaneously. Daily many were helped and relieved of pain and five hundred dying children baptized the first year. The second year the patients increased and the baptisms numbered over a thousand. Women coming in contact with women made a great difference. The babies where the women are. Slowly orphans knocked at the door, so that after two or three years quite a family had gathered.

Two different pictures: Forty years ago, no trace of Christianity. Today the Holy Sacrifice offered every day, the Blessed Sacrament exposed several hours every afternoon, a high school for boys conducted on Christian principle, a dispensary open for all, without distinction, seventeen little orphans sheltered and fed and brought up as Catholics, all this brought about in less than forty years. It is the result of God's blessing on missionaries who labored and persevered against odds in an apparently hopeless country.

It makes a difference to some place in the world whether a young man or a young woman offers his or her life to the Missions or not, whether the missionaries are provided where with to live and to give.

It is like an ordinary field. If there is no laborer to plow it, no seed to put in, no trouble taken about it, it will not change from year to year. It lies there idle. What else can be expected?

The many flourishing Missions in the world bear testimony to the fact that sacrifice and labor bring results and that they are very much worth while.

### Commission Begins To Study Catholic Problems In China

(Fides Service)  
Peking, China—As a national center for information, inquiry, and study, but having no legislative power, the Commission for Schools, Press and Catholic Youth, organized by the Apostolic Delegate to China, has begun its work in that country. The aim of this commission, created recently at the last Plenary Council

Arthur P. Kelly.  
Among the special features obtained are a two-reel picture comedy never before shown in Rochester: Marie Keber Burbank, contralto soloist and winner in the Rochester district of the Atwater Kent audition; Dorothy Drakeley and Kathryn Lynch of the Eastman Theater; the Saalwachter Twins, who will contribute a new dance; Anna Maccl, pianist, and other numbers.

### Cathedral

Cathedral School pupils gave an entertainment Friday April 27th at 8 p. m. in Cathedral Hall at Frank and Brown streets.

Cathedral School Alumni will have the annual banquet and reunion next Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. in Cathedral Hall. Former Mayor "Martin" B. O'Neill will be the guest speaker. Guests and speakers will be Franklin G. Warth, Walter E. Mason and the Rev. Charles F. Shay, pastor of the Cathedral.

### Comedy to be Given By Nazareth Seniors On Monday Evening

Nazareth College seniors will present "Come Out of the Kitchen," a comedy, Monday evening in Immaculate Conception auditorium.

Proceeds from the production will be used to help finance the senior year book, "Excalibur," which will be published in May.

Evelyn Regan and Raymond Guppey have the leading roles. Others in the cast are: Evelyn Pritchard, Marion Popp, Mary Swan, Helen Ritz, Leo Hogan, Feehan Fitzpatrick, Clarence Fichtner, Ormonde Dalley and Jack O'Connor. Cynthia Stabel is chairman of the props committee and is assisted by Helen Coyne, Edna Bateman, Roseetta Meisensahl and

cell of China, is to study on a nationwide scale the problems of education, the press and youth, insofar as these relate to Catholic action.

The commission, which came into being as a result of the effort of Archbishop Celso Costantini, is composed of five members: Rev. D. O'Toole, O.S.B., Rector of the Catholic University of Tokyo, Rev. Augustine Bonaldi, S. J., Rector of the Santos Bludes of Tientsin, Rev. Georges de Jonghe, M. E., former director of the Wisdom College, Szekwan, Rev. Philip Ou, C. M., professor of the Minor Seminary, Peking, Rev. Theodore Mittler, S. V. D., former superior of the Minor Seminary, Yenchowfu.

Its president is Father Bernard, its vice-president is Father Ou and the secretary is Father de Jonghe.

The official headquarters of the Commission will be located at the residence of the Apostolic Delegate in Peking.

### Large Percentage Of Sisters In Missions Give Lives For Work

(Fides Service)  
Lyons, France—Out of a total of 330 sisters sent to the west coast of Africa during the last fifty years by the Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles 230 have died at the missions.

At present, 110 members of this order are in the field, scattered in eighteen posts in Dahomey, Nigeria, Togo, Ivory Coast and Gold Coast. The first group of these missionary sisters sailed for the Slave Coast November 5, 1877. Four more left in 1878 and three years later, when a band of twelve departed, three of the original seven had died.

Last March the sisterhood celebrated the centennial of the birth of its founder, Father Plaque.

### Missionaries Lead Fight To Eliminate Disease In Africa.

(Fides Service)  
Banghi, Belgium Congo, Africa—So alarming has been the spread of sleeping sickness among the natives of this district that in one settlement alone, out of a population of 1,000, barely a dozen children born within the last three years are alive today.

Although conditions are now much better than they were a few years ago, Catholic missionaries have not yet ceased their battle against the disease.

As an instance of the part being taken by missionary priests and sisters to care for the materials as well as the spiritual welfare of the people among whom they labor is the thorough medical examination given by the Franciscan Sisters of Heronthis (Belgium) to every native afflicted with gland trouble. As a result of this campaign for health, they are able to report that in their district only a few isolated cases of sleeping sickness now prevail.

In another district, a medical missionary sister has been named one of government's agents in the war against sleeping sickness.

### SS. Peter and Paul's

At the request of Branch 62, L. C. B. A., a requiem mass was said this week for Mary Blatner and at the request of the choir for Mr. Christian Weber.

Funeral services were held for Joseph Melmer on Saturday morning, April 21st, at 8:40 o'clock from Scheiderman's Funeral Parlor and at 9 o'clock from the church. Interment was made in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

Funeral services for Edward Foley who died on last Friday evening, took place on Tuesday morning, April 24th at 9:30 o'clock from the home, 113 York street, and at 10 o'clock from this church. Mr. Foley was a member of the Holy Name Society. Interment was made in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

The members of Branch 62, L. C. B. A., celebrated their thirty-seventh anniversary after the last meeting in the basement of the school. The tables for the luncheon, was decorated with flowers and a large cake in the center with thirty-seven candles. The program consisted of community singing by the members. The favors were candle-holders each having a candle. The lunch was served by Marie Roger and Catharine Schwarz, assisted by Josephine Carlin, Caroline Schied, Catherine Fitch, Christine Geck and Dora Hattling. Among the charter members present were Louise Meyers, Anna Stellwagen, Mary Reichenberger, Teresa Schreiner and Susan Fleck. The flowers from the table and a gift was given to the treasurer, Miss Stella Drexler in honor of her birthday which the branch also celebrated. A social hour was spent and all had a delightful time.

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