

Educational Conference Held By The Franciscan Fathers From All Parts of Canada and America

Aquinas Institute Professor Read Paper on "Philosophy Curriculum"—St. Bonaventure's Seminary President Elected Head of the Educational Conference.

St. Bonaventure, N. Y., July 11.—The Rev. Fr. Educators of the three branches of the Franciscan Order—Minores, Capuchins, Conventuals—met at St. Fidelis Seminary, Herman, Pa., for the 12th annual meeting of the Franciscan Educational Conference, June 30th to July 2nd. Some 40 delegates, representing the various sections of the United States as well as Canada, attended the assembly, and all enjoyed the truly Franciscan hospitality of the Rev. Doniface Weckman, O. M. Cap., rector of the Seminary and of the Very Rev. Didacus Garovi, O. M. Cap., Guardian of the Capuchin Priory and their confreres.

Delegates were present from St. Bonaventure, Catskill, Staten Island, Rensselaer, N. Y.; Granby, Mass.; Souders Park, N. J.; Washington, D. C.; Marathon, Green Bay, Wis.; Quincy, Ill.; Cumberland, Md.; Carey, Cincinnati, Cleveland, O.; Victoria, Kansas, and Montreal, Canada. Philosophy was the subject treated at the meeting. The various phases of science and the methods of teaching it were handled in relation to the philosophical training given to clerics in Franciscan seminaries. Throughout the Conference stress was laid upon the importance of empirical psychology and the imperativeness of a background of natural sciences for an understanding of philosophy.

Interesting Papers Read Among the interesting and practical papers read was one by Rev. James O'Mahoney, O. M. Cap., of the University of Cork, Ireland, on "The Franciscan School of Philosophy," and a second on "Psychology in our Course of Study," by the Rev. James Van der Veldt, O. F. M., of the Franciscan International College at Rome. Other papers included "Answering Current Objections to Catholic Philosophy," Rev. Conrad O'Leary, O. F. M., St. Bonaventure's Seminary, Allegany, N. Y.; "Co-Relative Science and Philosophy," by Rev. Hubert Vecchiorello, O. F. M., Ph. D., St. Bonaventure's College, Allegany, N. Y.; "Philosophy Curriculum," by the Rev. Cyprilian Mensing, O. F. M., of Aquinas Institute, Rochester, N. Y.; "Theology," the Rev. David Haler, O. F. M., Ph. D., of St. Bonaventure's Seminary, Allegany, N. Y.

Phelps Parish Buys More Land For New Church

Thirty-foot Strip Purchased from National Bank—Architect Engaged—Church to Be Built Next Year.

Phelps, July 11.—The Rev. Edward H. Simpson, rector of St. Francis' Church in this village, announced the purchase for the church from the Phelps National Bank of a 20-foot strip of land adjoining the north line of the church property.

Father Simpson also announced that an architect has been engaged to prepare plans for a new church to be erected next year on the site of the present church. The additional land purchased from the bank will give increased room and convenience to the church. The plans now in preparation will include an auditorium for parish events, but if this makes the cost prohibitive the building of the auditorium will be deferred.

Work on the new church is planned for the Spring of 1931, at which time it is expected that some \$10,000 will have approximately \$40,000 on hand for its initial payment. This amount, over and above funds reserved for ordinary expenses and upkeep of the property which included extensive improvements to the rectory, has accumulated during the pastorate of Father Simpson which began here 11 years ago.

Officers Elected The Very Rev. Thomas Plasmann, O. F. M., Ph. D., St. Bonaventure's Seminary, Allegany, N. Y., was elected president of the Conference. Rev. Bede Hess, O. M. C., S. T. D., of Souders Park, N. J., as vice-president. Rev. Claude Vogel, O. M. Cap., Ph. D., Capuchin College, Washington, D. C., secretary, to succeed Rev. John Kirby, O. F. M., who has been called to Assisi, Italy, by the highest superiors of the Order to assist in Franciscan research. The conference voted him a unanimous vote of thanks for his unflinching zeal and tireless efforts for the success of the conference during the past eight years. The conference recommended that Experimental Psychology be taught as an independent branch of the Philosophical Course. It also expressed its sincere sympathy with the Fr. of St. Bonaventure's College and Seminary, Allegany, N. Y., upon the tragic loss of several buildings in the recent fire, and urged the confreres to extend a helping hand.

Two Couples Celebrate Their Golden Wedding Anniversaries, With Many Relatives Around Them

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bauer of Lyell Avenue and Mr. and Mrs. George K. Kramer of Belmont Street, Observe Happy Events at Their Homes.

Two well-known couples celebrated their golden wedding anniversaries within the past week—Mr. and Mrs. George K. Kramer of 100 Belmont Street, who celebrated the event on Saturday, and Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bauer of 525 Lyell Avenue, who celebrated it on Sunday.

Great Day at Home's and she, too, enjoys excellent health. A host of friends will wish the couple many more years of happy married life.

Mr. and Mrs. Kramer Mr. and Mrs. George K. Kramer had a happy time, too, in celebrating their golden jubilee at 100 Belmont Street. The couple fitted up the garage at their home for the event, and dancing and all kinds of amusements took place there. Pretty and attractive decorations, and foliage and lanterns made the place inviting to everybody. Mr. and Mrs. Kramer have two sons and three grandchildren, and these with a host of other relatives and friends joined the happy couple in celebration of their anniversary. More than 100 friends took part in the event, and all were hospitably entertained. The couple received a number of appreciative presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Kramer were married 50 years ago by the late Rev. Thomas Stewart in St. Mary's Church. They have lived for 48 years in Belmont Street and are the oldest residents of the street. Mr. Kramer still works at his job as a sawyer, although he expects to retire soon. Both he and Mrs. Kramer enjoy excellent health, and their friends will hope for many more years of happy married life for them.

Many Other Relatives Other relatives who came to help the couple celebrate included Mr. and Mrs. John Grasser, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bagnelle, Mrs. Harriet Grasser and two daughters; Mrs. H. Wuerz; Mrs. M. Johnson; Mr. and Mrs. August J. Bauer; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Smith; the Misses Susan, Leona and Mary Keller; and Sister Stephen Mark of Auburn, accompanied Sister M. Germaine on the trip, and the Very Rev. Dean John J. McGrath of Auburn was among the guests.

The home was attractively decorated with flowers, and it was a most inviting and hospitable place for the 30 or more friends who called during the day. Mr. and Mrs. Bauer were married on June 6, 1880, in St. Peter and Paul's Church, and two years later Mr. Bauer joined the Rochester police force, of which he was a member for 32 years. He retired in 1910. He is 74 years old, but is hale and hearty, and helps his son, "Billy" Bauer at his garage on Dewey Avenue. Mrs. Bauer is 67.

Basket Picnic of Commandery 197 And Auxiliary 48

The big annual joint Basket Picnic and Outing given by Holy Family Commandery No. 197, and Ladies Auxiliary No. 48, Knights of St. John, for all members and their friends, will be held on Sunday, August 10, 1930, beginning at 10 A. M. The outing will be held at the former Commercial Airport on the Whittier Road. The Airport is on the Start Farm on Buffalo Road, and can be reached by automobile or bus by driving out Buffalo Road and turning at the corner of Whittier Road, going north a short distance to the Airport building.

Promises Good Time "The picnic this year promises to be one of the best ever held by the two organizations," said Henry Scheg, of Commandery 197 and the general chairman of the outing. "A real good time is promised all who attend. Plenty of shelter is provided so that the picnic will be held rain or shine. Tickets will be 50 cents for adults, children free if accompanied by their parents. All our members who can possibly attend with their families, should do so, as every effort is being made to stage an affair of unusual and varied entertainments."

Tickets for the outing can be obtained from the following members of the Ticket Committee, who will give any information concerning details of outing, etc. Knights' Committee: Henry Scheg, 381 Colbin St.; Max Strassner, 25 Lisbon St.; George 5494-R; William C. Schwan, 287 Campbell St.; Genesee 2179-J; George V. Wurzer, 11 Inwood St.; Genesee 7348. Ladies' Committee: Mrs. Mary Huther, Ladies' Chair.

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Hibernians Are Looking Forward To Big Field Day

The various committees of the field day to be held by the Ancient Order of Hibernians at Edgerton Park on Sunday, July 20th, have submitted their reports to John McMahon, general chairman. These indicate a very successful outlook for the organization and its friends.

Brothers J. J. O'Hara and Martin Walsh have prepared an excellent program of sports, and Mrs. Joseph Walton announces that many valuable prizes for the contests have been donated.

Brothers Rooney and Fenehan have completed their work on the refreshment committee, and announce a free treat for the kids as part of their work.

The committee on badges, represented by Brothers Eugene Lennon and Harold Skelly, report a brisk demand for badges. County president Joseph Redding will welcome the out-of-town guests who are expected to include State President William Ryan of Lakewood and Organizer J. F. Maloney, late National director of the A. O. H.

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J. P. MacSweeney Is Promoted to Fine Position

A great many friends will unite in extending congratulations and good wishes to Joseph P. MacSweeney, manager of the domestic sales department of the Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation, upon the fine promotion that came to him this week. Mr. MacSweeney has been promoted to the position of supervisor of merchandising operations of the Associated Gas & Electric Company, Herman Russell, president of the Rochester corporation, announced, will have its headquarters in Rochester.

For the past 41 years Mr. MacSweeney has been connected with the Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation. By his fidelity to business, his courtesy and capability, and his energy and enthusiasm he has shown at all times in his work, he has won for himself a secure place in the executive ranks of the corporation. His promotion is the best evidence of the appreciation in which he is held by his organization.

Mr. MacSweeney is the oldest employee, in point of service, of the Rochester Gas & Electric Corporation. In addition to his work with the company, he finds time to take an active interest in public affairs. He is greatly interested in the work of the Tuberculosis and Health Association, and for twelve years has been chairman of its publicity and health education committee.

E. E. Handson of Ontario, head of the recruiting department of the Ontario unit of the Associated system, succeeds Mr. MacSweeney here. He comes well recommended as a capable executive.

Will Be Married In The Cathedral Next Wednesday

Miss Michellina E. Martone, daughter of Mrs. Genevieve Martone of Saratoga Avenue, and Peter G. Roncone, son of Mrs. Angela Marie Roncone of Ambrose Street, will be married July 16th, at 9:30 o'clock in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Miss Anna Manca will be maid of honor and Mrs. Edward J. White, sister of the groom, will be matron of honor. The bridesmaids will be Miss Angela Marie Roncone, sister of the groom, Miss Carmel Roncone and Mrs. Maria Borrelli, cousins of the groom; Miss Mary Ann Leo, Miss Serafina Romano and Miss Lauro Cordaro. Sarsfield Brennan will be best man. The ushers will be John Petrosi, Samuel Gottry, Frank Manca, Carl Branca, Joseph Cordaro, and John Izzo.

MSGR. EUGENE J. DONNELLY Flushing, L. I., July 11.—The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Eugene J. Donnelly, pastor of St. Michael's Church, Flushing, Queens, since 1892, died late Sunday night in his rectory. He was 77 years old and had been suffering of late of ailments resulting from a trip to the Holy Land last Winter. He had been a priest for 53 years.

PERSONALS

Kenneth Keefe of New York City, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hart Keefe of 43 Lenox Street, was a week-end guest of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Naylor and their daughter, Lucille, and son, Walter, of Highland Avenue will sail July 17th on the S. S. Duchess of Athol for a trip abroad.

The Misses Margaret and Catherine Keogh, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome R. Keogh of Avondale Park, have gone to Europe to spend the Summer abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Vincent Conway of Park Avenue, spent a few days last week at Notre Dame University, South Bend, Ind., with their son, Brother Cassian, C. S. C.

Dr. George Russell of Utica, N. Y., and Frederick G. Stiegel, well known architect of Detroit, and his children, Margaret and Frederick, Jr., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Sammons and family of 314 Woodbine Avenue.

Mrs. P. H. Cullane of Lake Avenue, entertained at dinner on Thursday evening last week in honor of Mortimer Cullane of New York, the Misses Mary and Catherine Cullane and Daniel Cullane of Penn Yan, who were her guests over the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Stuekel of 158 Bronson Avenue have returned from a two months' trip through Europe, and are now at their summer home at Alexandria Bay, Westminister, N. Y., the "Thousand Islands. They had a delightful trip, and they visited many places of interest.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Marshall and children, Francis and Jane Marie, of East Orange, N. J., were recent guests of Mrs. Marshall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Feller, 321 Woodbine Avenue. Another daughter, Mrs. J. A. Snyder, husband and daughter, Kathleen, of Baltimore, Md., were also visitors at the Feller home.

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