

1893—St. Bernard's Seminary—1933

Looking Forward To September When St. Bernard's Will Be Forty Years Old, The CATHOLIC COURIER Presents a Series of Articles on Diocesan Seminary of Interest to All.

It was in the March 28, 1891 issue of the Catholic Journal forerunner of The CATHOLIC COURIER, that the first announcement of the building of St. Bernard's Seminary was made.

Announcement of the date of the centennial of incorporation in March 28, 1891, in the County Clerk's Office, appeared in the old lines of this newspaper. Objects of the new Seminary as set forth in the certificate of incorporation were: "The establishment and maintenance of an educational institution for the prosecution of literary, scientific, philosophical and theological studies in harmony with and in conformity to the teaching of the Roman Catholic Church."

The Rev. John P. Stewart, pastor of St. Mary's Church in a sermon on the new Seminary at that time is reported as follows:

"Today in the vestibule of the new Seminary, find a picture of your old Seminary in the Catholic Journal, look in the Catholic Courier. Pray, one take it home, place it before your eyes and the eyes of your children. The contemplation of this old structure will add to you: Enthusiasm. Your boys in looking at it will find the tender hand of a vocation by the priesthood. When God sends His angel of death into your home, it will dry your tears, as you weep your sorrowful way down to the beautiful city of the dead, on the Boulevard, to look with gladdened eyes on this glorious institution with its priests and students praying for you, its happy rest of those who pass in this last earthly journey through these priests, supplicated and accompanied by a brother, will then precede the funeral cortege and bless prayers in the respective parochial churches.

Monuments to Bishop McQuaid. Monuments will rise in that cemetery over us and names revered and loved will be cut on the marble, a fitting adjunct to the other marble monuments that will be placed in the imposing entrance to this Seminary. The names of the generous contributors to this work will be recorded and handed down as an example to future generations. Amongst these names, however, may not appear the one who is the life, the soul, the moving spirit that has commenced and will finish the work to which he has given his all on earth—Bishop McQuaid.

"You, my people, and the people of Rochester, of all denominations, recognize his wise head and hand in that he has done yonder in the cemetery, with its beautiful drives, its walks, its green sod covering the graves over-shadowed by the trees, and in season resplendent with flowers; above all this, the blessing cast over it by the shadow of the cross on the cemetery chapel. This Seminary will be the complement, the completion of his work in our parochial schools and churches. Finish it, I say? Yes! For generous hearts will hold up his hands and by their gifts, from the widow's mite to the thousands, enable him to complete this noble abode of learning and of piety. To prepare young men, not only of this diocese, but of others, to be worthy of ministering in the sanctuary of God, so far as man can be worthy. Help him, I say? Yes, we will.

Gives \$5,000 in Gold. "And you, my people, will join me on August 23rd, the feast of St. Bernard, at the corner stone, where you will bring your dollars and place them there, to bring blessings on yourselves and generations unborn. I trust that God will enable me to continue my economical life, that I may be able to do much more that I intend to do on that occasion. As an example, however, I will place on that cornerstone, as the first offering from my heart, \$5,000 in gold."

In another part of the April 3, 1891 issue is the reporting of the laying of the cornerstone of the new Seminary. Placed in a copper box in the stone were a copy of the charter, copies of the annual Seminary pamphlets, Bishop McQuaid's pastoral letters on the subject, a copy of the Catholic Journal, and of the daily papers of the city.

Closing an editorial on the Seminary, this newspaper stated: "Let the good Catholics of this diocese not fail to contribute their part, be it great or small, to the cost of the building. They will never miss it, and in after years will be more than glad they assisted in so noble and praiseworthy a work. They will indeed find it money lent to the Lord."

Those living today who had a part in the beginning of St. Bernard's Seminary and have witnessed its growth and achievements must be indeed "more than glad." All living today may continue to have a part in the noble and praiseworthy work that St. Bernard's Seminary is doing by contributing their share to its upkeep.

Joseph A. Lang Opens New Dining Place On North St. Joseph A. Lang, widely known in Rochester, has just opened one of the most modern Garden Restaurants, Tap Room and Grills in this part of the state at 328-330 North Street, corner of Weld Street, to be known as "Lang's Garden."

Sparing no expense, Mr. Lang has produced a Garden and Grill that is attracting large numbers. Appropriate furnishings have been included with the large dining room equipped with rustic furniture, flower boxes, and awnings giving the proper garden effect.

In the tap room he has placed the well-known fixtures of the old Block and Aspenleifer Oasis. In the restaurant noontime meals are attracting capacity crowds.

Particular emphasis is being placed by Mr. Lang on the food served, moderate prices prevailing for excellent meals. Proper supervision of the establishment is assured by Mr. Lang who is personally in charge.

Bishop Brennan Present At Brother's Funeral

Word has been received of the death, in Scranton, of John J. Brennan, brother of the Most Rev. A. J. Brennan, Bishop of Richmond. Bishop Brennan who in seminary days attended St. Bernard's here, officiated at the funeral Mass.

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King Ferry Church Annual Picnic To Be Held On Labor Day

Starting with a chicken dinner at noon, the annual picnic for the benefit of the Lake Church, King Ferry, N. Y., will be held on Labor Day, September 1, in the Church Hall.

Under the direction of the Rev. John W. Casey who is in charge of the parish in the absence of the Rev. George M. Kalb, pastor, who is on a Holy Year Pilgrimage, a large committee is working on plans for the affair. A ball game in the afternoon and a supper and social in the evening are being planned on the program.

The general committee in charge consists of: George Tierney, Daniel Brennan, Edward Nolan, James Sullivan, Edward McCarthy, William Burns, Mrs. Joseph McDonald, Mrs. John P. Fallon, Mrs. John Britt, Mrs. Jeremiah Mahoney, Mrs. Joseph Rafferty and Mrs. Ellen Murray.

Other committee members are: Kitchen, Mrs. Joseph McDonald, Mrs. Ellen Murray, Mrs. Jeremiah Mahoney, Mrs. John P. Fallon, Mrs. Joseph Rafferty, Mrs. John Britt, Mrs. Hay McCormick, Water Men, Edward McCarthy and Joseph Rafferty.

Coffee: Mrs. O'Neil and Mrs. Margaret McCormick. Committees to dish Chicken: Mrs. J. Lamey and Mrs. John Colligan; Table: Mrs. Henry Britt, Mrs. George Tierney, Mrs. James Rafferty, Mrs. George Spraker, Mrs. John Mahoney, Mrs. Lee Holland, Mrs. Robert Cahalan, Mrs. Francis Mahoney.

Pie and Cake: Mrs. Alice O'Heron, Mrs. T. C. McCormick, Dinner and Supper Tickets: Edward Nolan, Dan Brennan, Hugh Rafferty and J. Lamey; Dance Committee: Joseph Rafferty, Joseph Dempsey, James Rafferty and Henry Britt.

Ice Cream: Mrs. Joseph Rafferty, Mrs. Frank Golden, Miss Margaret Sullivan and Miss Nell Brennan, Pop Leo Rafferty, John Mahoney, John Fallon, James Sullivan, Frank Jurtens, Mrs. Joseph Dempsey, Leo J. J. Jones, Mrs. Joseph Fox, Herbert Rafferty.

Blankets: Harry Dempsey, William Close, James Ryan, George Tierney, Henry O'Neil, Henry Britt, Edward Murray, Frederick Rafferty; Aluminum: Francis Mahoney, Paul Murray, Harold Shields, Myles Colligan, William Desmond, Vincent Rafferty. Other committees will be appointed to take care of the many features to be presented at the picnic.

Activities in Auburn

By PAUL W. PINCKNEY Miss Rena Turney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Turney of 45 Clark Street, became the bride of George J. Burns, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Burns of 238 Seymour Street, at 8:30 o'clock Monday morning in St. Mary's Church. Rev. Dr. William E. Cowen, pastor, performed the ceremony. Mrs. R. C. Brennan, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. William Burns of Ithaca, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man. Mr. and Mrs. Burns will reside at 741 Lancaster Avenue, Syracuse.

St. Aloysius Cardinals defeated the Montezuma Stars, 7-1, Sunday, on the Montezuma diamond, winning the third and final of a three-game series. The lineup for the winners included: E. Jones, pitcher; Lynch, catcher; E. Newcomb, first base; Van Gleason, second base; Stapleton, third base; H. Jones, shortstop; W. Russell, left field; E. Jones, center field; T. Jones and Bronson, right field.

The Aurora unit of the Mercy Hospital Guild held a lawn party at the home of Mrs. P. J. Brennan Wednesday in the village of Aurora. A large number of Guild members and their families attended this affair.

Auburn friends have received word of the marriage of Miss Mary D. Keegan to Dr. John W. Sullivan, both of New York City, which took place in the metropolis on July 15. They will make their home in New York. Mr. Sullivan has been a frequent visitor in this city and has a large circle of friends here.

After winning over the Empire Gas and Electric nine last week by a one run margin, the St. Alphonsus softball aggregation will meet the Herbert Orioles at 6 o'clock Thursday evening on the Lincoln diamond to decide the winner of the second half of Class B City League. The winner of this tilt will face the Romans, first half champions, for the league title. Jack Clifford will pitch and Jim Mullaly will catch for the St. Alphonsus team.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Night Kasper, 88, wife of Adolph Kasper who died Thursday at her home, 34 Howard Street, were held at 9 o'clock Saturday morning in St. Alphonsus Church. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

On April 2 last, the Kaspar home in Howard Street was the scene of a gay family reunion when Mr. and Mrs. Kaspar celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary. The couple had made their home at the Howard Street address for the past 66 years. Mr. Kaspar will be 92 years old next November.

Many rocks are to be found in the stormy sea of this life, and we shall make shipwreck on them unless we are directed by the safe wind of obedience.

Notable Convert



The Most Rev. Vladimir Alexandrovich, of Seattle, archbishop-elect of the Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church, holding jurisdiction over the Pacific Coast states, Alaska and the Northwestern provinces of Canada, who was recently received into the Catholic Church at the Graymoor monastery of the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement at Garrison, N. Y. The Most Rev. Peter Lucya, of the Byzantine Slavonic rite was specially delegated by the Holy See to receive the archbishop in his profession of the Catholic Apostolic Faith.

Member of Mohawk Tribe, Jesuit, To Speak at Pageant

(N. C. W. C. News Service) Syracuse, N. Y.—The Rev. Michael E. Jacobs, S.J., a full-blooded Mohawk Indian, now resident in Montreal, will be one of the speakers at the dedication of Onondaga Lake Parkway here, August 16, when the restored Jesuit well and the old French fort will be the center of a civic celebration.

The Most Rev. John A. Duffy, Bishop of Syracuse, and the Rev. Aloysius Tibbitts, S.J., of Auriesville, also will speak.

A pageant will depict the landing of French colonists in 1656. Jesuit missionaries and French soldiers will march to the fort, where the French flag will be raised. The party will then continue to the old Jesuit well where the principal ceremonies will be held.

Zweigle Garden Party To Aid Church Planned

A garden party, proceeds of which will go to Our Mother of Sorrows Church of which the Rev. Daniel B. O'Rourke is pastor, will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Zweigle, 380 Edgemere Drive, Shoremont on Lake Ontario, Wednesday evening, August 23.

There will be no admission fee charged. Proceeds derived from the sale of refreshments, fancy articles and other items will be turned over to Father O'Rourke.

WHITE FATHERS PROGRESSING

Quebec.—(NCWC) — Because of the extraordinary development of the Society of the White Fathers in Canada, this Congregation has erected a Canadian Province and placed the Rev. Rene Bissonnette at its head. The postulate of the White Fathers was established at Quebec in 1901. The new province has 156 priests and brothers, which number includes two Bishops and one Apostolic Prefect.



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Father Groden Calls For Cooperation With President In Recovery Effort

Elmira.—Declaring it the duty of every loyal and patriotic American to follow President Roosevelt's leadership in the reconstruction program, the Rev. Michael G. Groden, Pastor of St. Mary's Church, Horseheads, at a recent meeting of the Elmira Assembly, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, at Columbus Center, delivered a scholarly and comprehensive address covering the National Industrial Act.

"The New Deal promised a year ago by President Roosevelt is here," Father Groden said. "The measures which have catapulted from Congress in such bewildering succession certainly provide a framework for a new order. These measures embrace the majority of our economic activities and affect individual men and women in equities and unprecedented ways."

"They are as follows: "The Agricultural Adjustment Act, the Railroad Relief Act, the Tennessee Valley Development Act, the Home Owners' Loan Act, the Securities Act, and finally not only the most important but the only thing of its kind ever attempted in this country—the Industrial Reconstruction Act."

Declaring the "country in a mess," Father Groden cited the conditions which have brought this about. Groden and the audience brought about spiritual values, have brought about a crash and the world is sobbing after its financial joys, the speaker asserted. A shamed, faced world is calling for prosperity.

Father Groden said in part: "The great question confronting America today is not so much a return to material prosperity as it is what stands between us and the overthrow by Communism, Socialism or Fascism. As America goes, so will go many other governments of the world, if not the whole world. The great question is: do the American people believe in their government and has the Constitution the power and the courage to put its house in order before it is overthrown by the specter-enemies of American liberty and of the native sense of American freedom."

"Many of the governments of the world today are being changed and their economic systems are being altered. Capitalism asks that we abide by private ownership and competitive individualism. Socialism urges us to adopt public ownership under the Socialist State. Communism commands us heap all our goods in common, despoil ourselves of inalienable rights and become Bolsheviks. The last of these propositions is, of course, unthinkable to any real American."

Between the extremes of unrestrained capitalism and materialistic Socialism, there is the mean or middle ground—and this is the course that President Roosevelt has taken. Call it what you will—whether it be regulated capitalism or nationalistic economics or pure and simple Christianity—it seems to be "the way out."

"Many have looked askance at the extraordinary powers given to the President by Congress, saying that they smacked of Socialism or Fascism or that they were the power of a dictator, but we must understand that we have been almost overwhelmed or bewildered by an extraordinary depression and we are at war with the condition and hence ex-

traordinary powers are necessary in the hands of the Executive if he is to deal successfully with the enemy. It is an emergency and he should have the added powers to cope with the circumstances that are out of the ordinary in government affairs. If he were not so empowered, he might be brought to an avall even to the point where he would be overpowered and he and the government should go down to bitter defeat. These powers have been placed in loyal and effective hands and as affairs are unfolding themselves, we see clearly that his welfare and his methods of attack are bearing early fruits of victory."

"After citing the provisions of the 'New Deal' to bring about better conditions for the worker, Father Groden said the Act so far is very good but it does not go far enough. He said:

"So far this Act is very good, but it does not go far enough. If I may presume to criticize it under the rules laid down by Plus XI in his excellent, it does not have a set-up for the workers. They also ought to be organized into occupational groups and given a code and when disputes arise between capital and labor they ought to be represented before the court of the government and they should have their side presented in an open forum. As it is, it is an old-fashioned Europe they have had collective bargaining and government supervision of prices and hours and quotas of production as determined by employers and the results are not too heartening. Social justice is not completely established that way. The class struggle will continue in spite of all supervision until there is a just distribution of responsibilities, profits, and ownership. And it will be only when this government takes a page out of the experience of Europe and extends its program so as to render social justice in its entirety to the workman by giving him a place in the deliberations of Industrial Control that we can truly say we have found the way out of the present debacle. But it is a start and a start in the right direction. We cannot expect to strangle this octopus of disorder in a day. We are on the right path that will lead us to his lair where eventually a good struggle will put him out of the way of a sustained, practical, economic and ethical, if not Christian prosperity."

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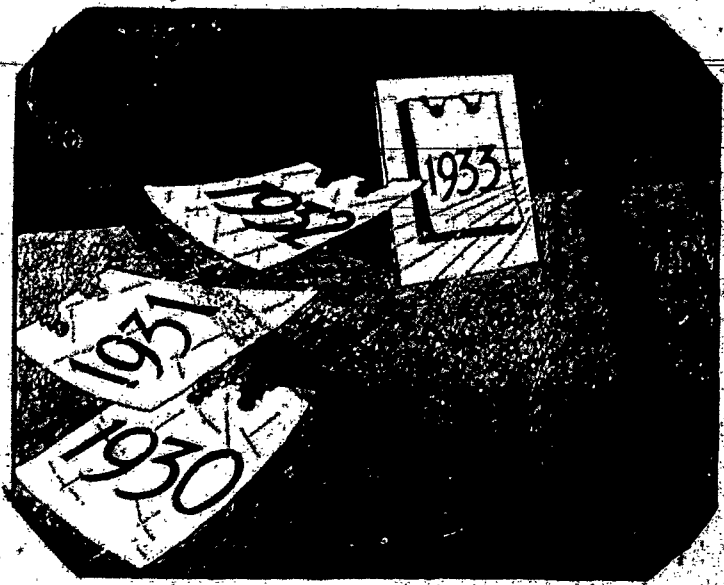
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