

Jews Conversions Increasing

Antwerp—(NCWC)—The conversions among Jews now being recorded in many European countries, particularly in large cities, include many in this city, where the Ladies of St. Convent a boarding and day school.

PERSONAL PORTRAITS

of Catholic Lay People in the Rochester Diocese



—Photo by Morrill

WALTER P. COX, financial clerk of New York State Senate and Democratic campaign manager, has his offices in the Seneca Hotel. For 11 years, Mr. Cox was associated with the P. and R. Coal and Iron Co. as a clerk, bookkeeper and salesman; for 15 years he was connected with the Wholesale Tobacco Business. In 1930-31, Mr. Cox was Secretary to Donald A. Dailey, former Commissioner of Public Safety. Mr. Cox is a member of the Holy Name Society, Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, and Protectors. He is a member of Blessed Sacrament Parish, and resides at 77 Calumet Street.

THIS SERIES of camera studies is presented exclusively by the CATHOLIC COURIER to familiarize our readers with various interesting personalities. Selection of subjects is based on their personal appeal rather than on any specific connection with special groups. Other portraits in the series will appear from time to time.



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JOHN J. MCCARTHY, supervisor-elect of the 19th Ward, is General Appraiser of the Home Loan Bank for this district. Previous to his present position, Mr. McCarthy was a general building contractor for 25 years. He is a member of the Holy Name Society, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, and Musa Caravan, Order of Altamira, and Democratic County Committee. Chairman of Rochester Home Builders Association, Mr. McCarthy is affiliated with the Builders Exchange, and Builder member of the Rochester Real Estate Board. He is a parishioner of St. Monica's Church. For 17 years he has resided at 36 Elmwood Avenue.

The Catholic World Over

Destroys Tubercular Germ - Shelton, Conn. — (NCWC) — Dr. Stephen J. Maher, noted Catholic physician and international authority on tuberculosis has just told of the development, after 25 years of research, of a technique for the breeding of a special type of bacteria that destroy the bacillus of tuberculosis—human, bovine and avian. His revelations were made before a gathering of 1,800 physicians at the Laurel Heights Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

Supreme Court Voids 'Easy' Divorce Laws in Many Mexican States

Mexico City—(NCWC) — "Easy" divorce laws in many Mexican States are voided, and divorces obtained under such laws in the past regarded as illegal by a ruling of the Mexican Supreme Court in which all the justices of that body concurred. Besides making it difficult, if not impossible, for swift divorces to be obtained, the court ruling places those who have received divorce decrees under the "easy" divorce law of several Mexican states in a serious legal situation, since many of these persons, notably American motion picture actors and actresses, have in the meantime remarried.

The supreme court ruling voids "one-sided" divorces by holding that divorces will not be granted in Mexico without a hearing by both parties. This ruling, therefore, ends the "mail-order" divorces by which even the party seeking the divorce has not been required to appear for a hearing.

Score Birth Control Clinic - Madras — (NCWC-Fides) — India must avoid any law which will bring shame upon the land, was the sentiment of 800 Catholics gathered in Victoria Hall, Madras, to protest against the proposed birth control clinics and to object to statements made by the Census Commissioner. Dr. J. H. Hutton, in his report in which he advocated birth control as a solution for possible problems arising from India's growing millions.

Priest-Pioneer Honored - Quebec — (NCWC) — Ceremonies which have just occurred at St. Rose de Laval marking the centenary of the birth of "Cure Labelle," take on a special significance in view of the present "Back to the Land" movement and the intensified colonization efforts of the Catholic clergy of the Province of Quebec as a specific remedy for the ill of unemployment. For "Cure Labelle" was known as "The Apostle of Colonization" and "The King of the North."

Paris—(NCWC) — Special Sunday afternoon motor tours of the new churches in the suburbs of Paris are meeting with great success. The tourist-architects, artists or simply the faithful interested in the spreading of the Faith—visited seven new churches north of the city on the first tour. In each church the architect was present to explain the special plan he had followed.

U. S. Priest Translates Therese Neumann Book

Oklahoma City—(NCWC) — The English translation of Eugene Canon De Horre's book "The Riddle of Konnersreuth," recently published by the Benedictine Press, Chicago, is the work of an Oklahoma priest, the Rev. Paul M. Van Dorpe, pastor of Mangum and missions. Father Van Dorpe chose to translate this volume, which is a life of Therese Neumann, following a visit to Konnersreuth and after having read several volumes on her life. He believes the work which he has translated to be the most pointed and most convincing yet written on the life of the Bavarian girl. The volume is generously illustrated with scenes of the country and authentic pictures of Therese Neumann herself.

Weekly Calendar Of Feast Days

- Sunday, December 10.—St. Eulalia. Monday, December 11.—St. Damasus, Pope. Tuesday, December 12.—St. Valery. Wednesday, December 13.—St. Lucy. Thursday, December 14.—St. Nicholas. Friday, December 15.—St. Mesmin. Saturday, December 16.—St. Eusebius.

Catholic Women In the News

(NCWC News Service)

A retreat has just been conducted at the Church of St. Thomas Aquinas at Paris for the mothers of priests. All the women of the Archdiocese whose sons are priests or who have been ordained deacons or sub-deacons were invited to attend.

The mothers of priests have organized an association which meets four times a year and at which addresses are made by the Cardinal, the Bishops or Superiors of religious Orders.

This association is the fulfillment of the wish of the mother of the pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas, Canon Riviere. Sixty-eight years ago before the altar of Our Lady of Victories and during her nuptial Mass, Canon Riviere's mother had asked God to grant her the blessing of not only one son but two sons who would become priests of God. Her wish was granted. One son still lives but the other, the Archbishop of Aix-en-Provence, died two years ago.

Throughout her life Madame Riviere assisted the ministry of her children by her prayers, sacrifices and charity. She died in 1926. Some months later, Cardinal Dubois founded, in fulfillment of a wish she had expressed, the Association of the Mothers of Priests.

The Chilean Association of Catholic Young Women has 19,000 members and is one of the most active branches of Catholic Action in the country, as was evidenced by the reports submitted at its ninth national congress at Santiago, Chile. The congress was called for the purpose of rendering a special homage of love and gratitude to the Divine Redeemer during the Holy Year.

The congress was attended by 1267 delegates from the provinces and 800 from the capital. An impressive event was the chanting of the Credo by a choir of a hundred voices as a profession of faith at the opening session. At the same time, an enormous cross at the top of the proscenium was illuminated. Present at this ceremony were the Most Rev. Ettore Felici, Apostolic Nuncio of Chile, who addressed the congress, the Archbishop of Santiago and eleven Bishops, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Rector of the Catholic University.

A new departure of the Association is the organization of units among foreigners residing in Chile. For the first time such units were represented at a national congress: the Italian groups of Valparaiso and Curico. Since August 1, the Association has sponsored a daily half-hour broadcast from the most powerful station in Chile, and the proceedings of the congress were on the air for the benefit of those who could not be present.

The earliest known work on the life of St. Teresa, of Spain, written by her and published by her friend and defender, the Venerable Fray Luis de Leon, in Avila after her death in 1582 and prior to 1600, and stolen from the Carmel Mission sometime between 1896 and 1930, has been recovered by the Very Rev. James Cullen, Chancellor of the Diocese of Monterey-Fresno and returned to the library of the padres at the historic old mission. The only complete works heretofore known to have been published on the life of St. Teresa were printed in the nineteenth century and after her canonization in 1622.

The book, held to be a priceless literary antique, is in four volumes. The type is hand cut and in an excellent state of preservation. The subjects of the volumes are "The Life," "The Way of Perfection," "The Interior Castle" and "The Meditations." They were edited by Mother Teresa's friend and counselor, Fray Luis, who personally defended her against King Philip of Spain when the latter accused her of usurping the authority of the Pope in the framing of the charter for the Carmelites, the Order which she founded.

Clipped For Fun

Guide: There, my dear madam, is a skyscraper. Old Lady: Oh, my; I'd love to see it work.

Betty was taking her first ocean voyage, and for the first three days the sea was smooth as glass. On the fourth day out, a squall came up and the good ship bounced around like a broncho. "Mother," finally asked Betty, "what's the matter? Are we on a detour?"

If you were in my shoes, what would you do? Polish them!

Fam: Hasn't Harvey ever married? Beryl: No, and I don't think he intends to, because he's studying for a bachelor's degree.

The hundredth birthday of Mrs. Marie Wittgen, pioneer parishioner of St. Margaret Mary's Church, Chicago, was celebrated November 1 with a High Mass for the intention of the centenarian. Mrs. Wittgen was born in Sellen, Luxembourg, and came to this country 43 years ago.

Let us learn here below to give God the praise which we ought to hope to give Him in heaven above.

A WEEKLY COLUMN OF REVIEW and COMMENT

CONCERNING OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

By Scholastic



Attention teachers and students! Because of space restrictions which are increasing weekly, we have found it impossible to print the long list of names appearing on the Honor Roll of the numerous Catholic grammar schools. There are 32 Catholic elementary schools in the diocese and if each school sent in its monthly honor roll, it would necessitate an additional page which present conditions do not warrant. However, we would be glad to run the number of pupils from the entire school whose averages placed them on the honor list, or we could print the names of the three students obtaining the highest percents in the school. We thank you for your cooperation with us in this matter in the future.

Nazareth Academy Grammar School has 48 pupils on the scholarship list for November; Nazareth Hall Roll of Honor numbers 45, and St. Peter and Paul's School, Elmira, announces 19 honor roll pupils for the past month.

A Bull's Eye Teacher: "Today I'm going to speak on 'Hire'—Now then, who read the twenty-fifth chapter in our text today?" (All hands go up.) Teacher: "You're just the crowd I want to speak to. There are only 24 chapters in the book!"

Holy Cross Fathers Give Elmira Mission

Elmira.—A week's mission is being conducted this week at St. Peter and Paul's Church, hereby the Rev. and Paul's Church, here by the Rev. Malloy of the Congregation of the Holy Cross, Notre Dame, Ind. Services are being held each morning and evening. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee, V.P., is pastor of St. Peter and Paul's Church.

Gantert, John Mack, Mary Jane May, Martha Chmielewski, William Ege, James Hicks, Thomas Reilly, Joseph Hanrahan, Vincent Dooley, Cornelius Murray, pupils of the eighth grade. The cast was directed by Michael Lemonecelli.

York, Nebr.—All students in high schools conducted by the Ursuline Sisters in the Central Province of Ursulines are being asked to join study clubs according to a plan being evolved by the Reverend Mother Barbara Klaholt, O. S. U., Provincial. The clubs now being formed will begin their program by intensive study of the Encyclical of Pope Pius XI, "Forty Years After: Reconstructing the Social Order." Interesting, interclass, and inter-school contests will be held.

A recital in honor of St. Cecilia was recently given by the Music class of St. Mary's School, Elmira. The following pupils took part: Theresa Richardson, Joseph Curran, Eugene Kead, Mary Sagar, Jean Reidy, Mary Catherine Malone, Mary Elizabeth Kelly, Virginia Malone, Helen Collins, Evelyn Jordan, Helen Parr, and Mary Slicum.

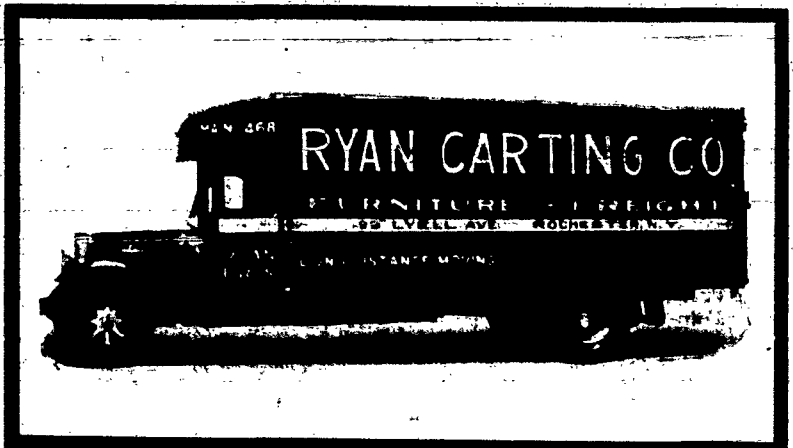
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The American Missionary Maids are planning a Christmas Sale for the benefit of home and foreign missions to take place December 13 at Holy Family School.

As in previous years this event will afford an opportunity for the selection of Christmas gifts from the hand-made articles donated by members and their friends and from the beautiful collection of imported articles from Chinese and Puerto Rican Missions. Home made cakes, Christmas cookies and candies will also be featured at this sale. Everyone is invited to attend.

Miss Martha Schuey is general chairman assisted by the following committee: Audrey Kiemmer, Ruth Weber, Doris Weber, Eva Zimmer, Betty Ehmman, Florence Wohlrab, Maryann Weidman, Catherine Weidman, Leocadia Glass, Adelide Blosnach, Matilda Warner, Helen Kodesch, Teresa Wuest, Martha Wuest, Helen Reger, Margaret Weidman, Dorothy Schubert, Marion Schubert, Margaret Frank, Lorraine Berisch, Lucy Voelkl, Veronica Guerinot, Betty Dentinger, Marie May, Miriam Papineau, Agnes Erb, Loretta Stahl and Mary Schoeneweltz.

Farce Presented by St. Patrick Players For Corning Church

Corning—Over 500 persons attended "Back Seat Drivers", a three act financial genius farce presented by St. Patrick's Dramatic Club, in the Church Assembly Hall last week, for the benefit of the new church.

Albert M. Lynch is director of the cast which included: the Misses Genevieve McClure, Alice Reagan, Catherine Bird, Anna Murphy and John Connor, Bernard Killgrew, William Coumbe, Joseph Fox, and Albert Lynch, Richard Cook was in charge of the make-up.

During intermission Miss Alice Killgrew entertained with two short poems, "Booze and Fine" and "The Coquette." The Orchestra composed of Mrs. N. K. Lincoln, Fred Beiman, Ray Benjamin, Richard Osburn and Edward Fitzgerald, gave a program of popular music between the acts. The ticket committee was composed of: Edward T. Hayes, John McKeown, Charles Reno; Seating committee, Clarence Farmer, George Vail, Joseph Neale, Jr., Michael Flynn, Gerald Hart, John R. Hamel, Walter O'Brien.

Playing to capacity houses both Monday and Tuesday evenings, the play was announced a complete success.

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Holy Rosary Sodality Plans Social Friday

Arrangements are being made by the Young Ladies' Sodality of Holy Rosary Parish for the usual Friday Evening Social, which will take place in the school hall on December 8, from nine until twelve.

The chairman, Miss Verna Stiffler will be assisted by the Misses Florence Kohlmeier, Catherine Tierney, Mary Meagher, Caryl Violeher, Evelyn Sophie, Anne Lally, Helen Gronke, Frances Ryan, Dolores Merrell, Eleanor Biddle, Alberta Kaesser, Olga Haskam, Anne Phillips, Lillian Voelckel, Le Rene Haight, Jean Hunt, Marguerite Voelckel, Catherine Haskam, Hazel Dony, Jean Kane, Norma Jost, Virginia Winkler, Gertrude Connors, Eileen Burns, and Jean Mallory.

Sun Dial Club At WHEC Enrolls 2,000 Members

Sun Dial Club program broadcast every morning from 8 o'clock to 9 except Sundays from WHEC is designed to give service, announcing the time every 5 minutes, the weather every 20 minutes, interspersed with popular music and comic dialogue. Jack Driscoll, master of ceremonies has enrolled over 2,000 members in the Club. Recently this program carried announcements for a week and a half relative to the Thanksgiving football clash between Notre Dame "B" team and St. Bonaventure's eleven for the benefit of Nazareth College Building Fund.

For the white sauce, if the quantity of salt required is added to the flour before adding the water needed for a pour batter, the difficulty from lumping has been more than half removed.

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