

PASSION PLAY AT CALCUTTA
Calcutta, India. (NCWC Files) — A Passion Play, staged on exceptionally large scale, was presented here under the direction of the Rev. John N. Weaver, S. J. Special stands erected in the grounds of St. Xavier's accommodated 5,000 spectators. A cast including 30 principal actors performed on a stage which covered 4,500 square feet and were assisted by a chorus of 80 voices.

Twelve Parish Teams to Start Catholic Baseball Loop Season

With twelve teams representing that many parishes in the city, the Catholic Baseball League will get underway in its fifth successive season on Sunday morning, April 22, with the largest number of team representations since 1930, it is announced this week.

At a meeting of officers and team managers held in the CATHOLIC COURIER office, Monday evening, final plans were made for the league season. It was voted to observe the same rules in the league as obtained last year.

The league will be divided into two Divisions with parishes represented as follows: East Division: St. Andrew's, St. Boniface, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, St. Ambrose, St. Theresa and Blessed Sacrament; West Division: Holy Rosary, Holy Family, Cathedral, C. Y. M. A., of St. Joseph's Church, Immaculate Conception and St. Peter and Paul's.

These two Divisions will play separate seasons of 15 weeks each which will be split into a first half of eight weeks and a second half of seven weeks. At the end of the season the winner in the first half in one Division will meet the winner of the first half of the other Division in one game; and the winner of the second half will meet the winner of the other Division in that half in one game; the two teams emerging victors will then meet in a three-game series for the title.

Interest in the league is at a high pitch. President William A. Lann said this week. The league was brought into existence five years ago upon the suggestion of the late Bishop O'Hern that a similar league to the famous Catholic Baseball League of thirty years ago be formed. The present league plays the indoor type of game. It has the

approval of diocesan authorities. Besides President Lann, other league officers just elected are Vice President, Thomas Mooney, Holy Rosary, and Walter Fisher, St. Andrew's. Recording Secretary, Thomas Nally; and Secretary, Treasurer, Milton Pess.

Fr. Burger, Friend of Deaf Mutes, Goes To Annapolis, Md.

By A REDEMPTORIST FATHER
The Rev. Charles Burger of the Redemptorists, stationed at St. Joseph's Church, Rochester, for the last eight years, has been transferred to Annapolis, Md.

Father Burger came to Rochester from Boston. He was here only a month when the late Bishop, of happy memory, summoned him to a conference concerning the Deaf Mutes of the Diocese. Father Burger was then commissioned to secure the names of all the Deaf and assemble them into a congregation.

This was accomplished with true apostolic zeal. In less than a month he had a band of faithful followers and we find in the chronicle of his efforts in behalf of the Deaf, his arduous and instructions were constant, all bearing evidence that his heart was aflame with the charity of Christ for the afflicted members of the fold. This heroic love and consuming zeal is immortalized in the beautiful memorial he has left behind him—the Deaf-Mute Chapel on Franklin St.

For the past year Father Burger's health has been waning. His appointment to Annapolis came after his Superiors were informed that he was suffering from a malignant ailment. They decided to change his residence to the warmer climate of the South hoping that this would check the inroads that the sickness had made upon his robust constitution. With this period of rest all his friends trust that he may regain his former good health and return to their midst.

'The Spider', Drama of Mystery, To Be Given At Aquinas

"The Spider," a mystery melodrama in nine scenes is to be presented by the Senior Class of Aquinas Institute in the school auditorium, Dowsy Avenue, Monday and Tuesday evenings, April 9 and 10.

This play is said to be extraordinary in the field of drama. The entire nine scenes are said to be filled with thrills, mystery, laughs and scares.

"The Spider" ran in New York City for sixty weeks and has since won similar laurels in Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia.

Direction of the production is in the hands of Edwin J. Dolan of the faculty. Principals in a cast of twenty-five are: Alfred Boylan, Jerry Flynn, Jerry Ventura, Tully Rip-ton, Edward Reid, Eldridge Bauer, Fred Engert, Don Hassett, Stephen Cauley, John Springer, Al Frank and Michael Scarfia.

Those in charge of the play are looking forward to capacity audiences of friends of Aquinas on the two nights set.

Fr. Keim Known Here Dies in North Dakota

Funeral services were conducted March 20 at Richardson, North Dakota for the Rev. George Keim, former Rochesterian, who died at Assumption Abbey, Richardson, North Dakota, Friday, March 16. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Margaret Lang, of Rochester; one brother, Ludwig Keim, of Germany; two nephews and three nieces of Rochester. Burial was made at Richardson.

Archbishop Hickey Marks Quietly 50th Sacerdotal Jubilee

Tribute was paid to the Most Rev. Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey, second bishop of the Rochester Diocese on the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood by the Most Rev. Archbishop Edward Mooney, present bishop of the diocese at the 10 o'clock Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday, March 25.

The celebration of any special anniversary was in deference to Archbishop Hickey's wishes, Archbishop Mooney said. He praised the work of his predecessor and said that on Monday, April 9, Archbishop Hickey had consented to say a Mass, which he would attend as the representative of priests and people of the diocese.

Archbishop Hickey was ordained to the priesthood March 25, 1884, was consecrated coadjutor-bishop of the Rochester Diocese, May 24, 1906, became bishop of the diocese, January 19, 1909, on the death of the Most Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid, and resigned as Bishop, October 30, 1928. He was made titular archbishop by Pope Pius XI and was succeeded as bishop by the late Most Rev. John Francis O'Horn.

Thomas Brennan, President of the Senior Class of De Sales High School, Geneva, in the name of the Faculty and Student Body, presented Archbishop Hickey with a Spiritual Bouquet last Thursday afternoon at the regular Religion IV period, in honor of the occasion of his Golden Jubilee.

EASTER AT THE CATHEDRAL

Solemn Pontifical Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Mooney in St. Patrick's Cathedral on Easter morning at 10:30 a. m. at which the sermon on "The Resurrection" will be delivered by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay, pastor.

The program for Easter Music at the Cathedral is as follows:

Processional—Hae Die
Gretsch-Bonn
Cathedral Men and Boys' Choir
Entrant—Resurrexit

Gregorian
St. Bernard's Seminary Choir
Kyrie, Gloria—Mass in Honor of St. Bernard

Bonn
Cathedral Men and Boys' Choir
Gradual—Hae Die... Harmonized Sequence—Victimae Paschali

Laudes—Gregorian
St. Bernard's Seminary Choir
Credo—Terra Tremuit... Gregorian

Alternating Choirs
Gregorian
St. Bernard's Seminary Choir
Supplementary Offertory—Regina

Coff... Lotti-Koch
Cathedral Choir
Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei... from Missa Eucharistica—Perosi

Cathedral Men and Boys' Choir
Communio—Pascha Nostrum
Gregorian
St. Bernard's Seminary Choir

Recessional—Holy God
Choirs and Congregation
The Cathedral will be open until 9 o'clock, Easter night for all who desire to visit the Blessed Sacrament in the "Easter Sepulchre."

St. Margaret Mary's Card Party on April 5

St. Margaret Mary's Parish Card Party will be held in the School Auditorium, Rogers Parkway, Stop 5, Summerville Blvd., Thursday evening, April 5. Bridge, pinocle and five hundred will be played. The prize for each table will be a walnut magazine rack.

The following committee have planned for the largest affair ever held by St. Margaret Mary's Church: Mrs. Norman Green, chairman, assisted by Gregory Lyons, William Richter, Seraphin Swartz, and William Messmer.

SAILS FOR IRELAND
Miss Nellie Hourihan sailed from New York, Friday on the S.S. George of the White Star Line for her home in Ireland.

Knights of St. John Military Ball and Inspection Set For April 19th

Resumption of the Regimental Inspection and Ball of the Rochester Regiment of the Knights of St. John will take place on Thursday evening, April 19, in Columbus Civic Center Building when the uniform commanderies of the regiment will again come together for a general inspection.

Because of economic conditions the inspections have been held in the past few years in groups of two and three companies. Added interest this year is given to the coming International Convention of the Knights of St. John that will convene in Syracuse in June.

This inspection which is in compliance to General Orders received from the Supreme Commandery of the Knights of St. John will take place in the usual two battalion formation. The First Battalion will be under the leadership of Major Fred J. Wegman and the Second Battalion under Major Fred J. Kunz with full regimental regalia. The mass formation and parade will be in command of Colonel Frank H. Biel, K.H.S. The inspection of the two battalions will be in command of Regimental Inspector Edmund Braun.

The uniform commanderies to pass in review are: St. Maurritus Commandery 9 with Captain Joseph Wander in command, St. George Commandery 43 with Captain Victor Knittle in command, St. Eustace Commandery 39 with Captain Emil G. Eckert in command, St. Boniface Commandery 25 with Captain Wendel Maeder in command, SS. Peter & Paul Commandery 28 with Captain Frank Klueber in command, St. Michael Commandery 40 with Captain John Gutberlet in command, St. Louis Commandery 17 with Captain August Zeitvogel in command, Holy Family Commandery 197 with Captain John Braun in command, Cathedral Commandery 106 with Captain Francis Bott in command and St. Bernard Commandery 272 with Joseph Dreschler in command.

Plans and arrangements are being made by Lieutenant Colonel William H. Rossenbach, chairman

"Spitfire" Coming to Palace Recommended

The Rochester Chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae in conjunction with the National Motion Picture Bureau of that organization recommends to the Catholic people of the Diocese the following pictures: Spitfire, to be shown at the R. K. O. Palace Theatre this week; and Death Takes a Holiday to be played next week at the Century Theatre.

"Spitfire" being brought to Rochester direct from its engagement at Radio City Music Hall, will open at the Palace Friday, March 30. In this picturization of the Broadway stage hit, "Trigger", Miss Katherine Hepburn battles men, mobs, the devil, and love itself, and makes you believe in her; as Trigger she secretly spends much of her time in praying for her ailing neighbors, accomplishing miracles of healing by means of her childlike faith.

AFRICA TUTORS ATTEND

Kimberley, South Africa. (NCWC) — Over 100 Catholic native teachers attended the two vacation courses held in Basutoland recently. The first was held at Paray in the Maluti Mountains. Some of the teachers had to travel two days on horseback to attend.

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