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The Archbishop's Seminary Letter

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Rochester
Dearly Beloved in Christ:—

An outstanding event of this season in our diocese is the ordination of the young men who will be added to the ranks of our diocesan priesthood.

For this reason it seems an appropriate time to solicit the interest of our people in the work of our Seminaries, and to ask them to raise the parish quotas for their support. By a happy coincidence this appeal comes in the month of May, which Catholic devotion dedicates to May the Mother of Christ, our great High Priest.

It was her blessed privilege to watch with a mother's tender care over the years in Nazareth during which her Divine Son prepared Himself for His saving mission among men. With utmost confidence, then, I place under her heavenly patronage this effort in support of the work of preparing those who will give themselves to carry on the same saving mission of Christ among you and among your children.

The Christian priesthood exists for the people. In St Paul's definition, the priest is one who "taken from among men, is ordained for men in the things that appertain to God". Through the ministry of the priest the grace which Christ Our Redeemer merited comes to us in the word of God, in sacrament and in sacrifice.

In the Mass the priest, acting for Christ whom he represents, offers for the people and with the people a tribute of supreme homage to God, the Master of life and death and the Father of all mercy.

In the sacraments the priest is the agent through whom Christ uses these visible tokens to touch our soul with His saving grace at every turn of our life

In his preaching and teaching the priest instructs, exhorts reproves, entreats to keep us in the path of eternal salvation which Christ has opened for us In all his work the priest is called upon to be in very truth the ambassador of Christ to men. As someone has beautifully said, in the world today Christ has not other hands with which to bless than the hands of the priest. He has no other feet on which to go about doing good than the feet of the priest.

This plain truth the enemies of Christ and His Church realize only too well, as is evident from what we see in Russia, in Spain, in Germany, and in Mexico today. Those who would blot out all that Christ stands for in human life know that the quickest and surest way to achieve their evil purpose is to decry and destroy the priesthood

This plain truth we, who are priests, can never forget if we are not to fail in the truly terrible responsibility that is ours. This plain truth we ask our Catholic people to keep in mind as a motive for the cooperation which this annual appeal solicits.

To perpetuate the priesthood we have seminaries in which candidates for that high office are trained. The work of St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's for this diocese can be maintained only through the generous support of the Catholics of every parish in the diocese.

I confidently hope, therefore, that the faith of our people will inspire them to make the most substantial offering they can give to this most important diocesan collection.

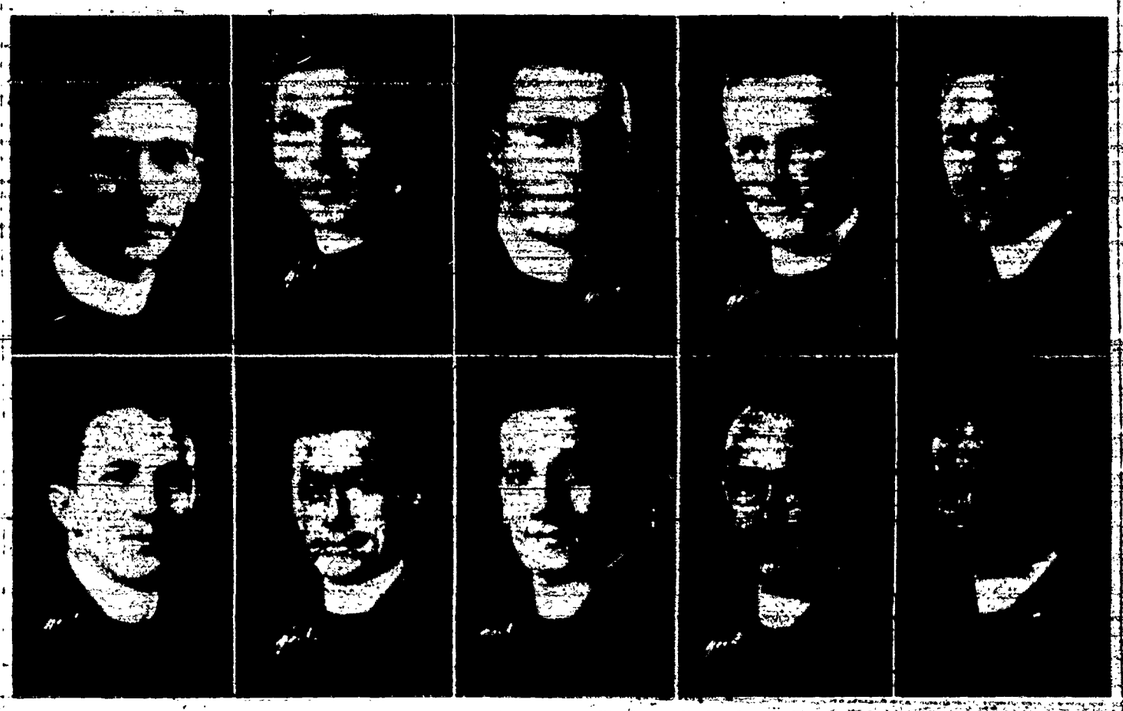
I should like to make a special plea to our young working people to join in this essential work of religion and by a liberal response to this appeal give practical evidence of their growing sense of responsibility for the future of the Church, which will soon be in their hands.

This collection is designed merely to meet the annual diocesan seminary budget, but it may well serve as a reminder to many to remember the permanent needs of the Seminaries in their wills, and also in the special gifts they may be able to make during the coming year.

Earnestly invoking the blessing of God on all who according to their means will list themselves as benefactors of our seminaries I am,

Devotedly yours in Christ,
EDWARD MOONEY, ABP.
Bishop of Rochester.

ORDAIN TEN PRIESTS ON JUNE 4 FOR THE ROCHESTER DIOCESE



Here are the Rochester members of this year's graduating class at St. Bernard's Seminary. Top row from left to right are The Rev. Philip F. McGhan, the Rev. Raymond J. Wahl, the Rev. J. Walter Curran, the Rev. David B. Singlehoff and the Rev. John J. Leary. Bottom row from left to right are the Rev. John M. Merklinger, the Rev. Daniel W. Fraher, the Rev. Francis J. Pegnam, the Rev. Donald J. Murphy and the Rev. Raymond M. Wuest. All will be ordained at the Cathedral June 4. The Rev. Leon, a member of the class, Matuszewski will be ordained in Poland Saturday. Two other members of the 1937 class, the Rev. John B. Reddington and the Rev. Robert Francis McNamara were ordained in Rome earlier in the year.

Knights Committee Completes Program For State Meeting

Convention To Open with Solemn Mass at St. Stephen's Church; Entertainment Events For Visiting Knights and Ladies

GENEVA—With elaborate plans nearing completion after many months of industrious activity, members of Geneva Council, Knights of Columbus are prepared to extend a hearty welcome to delegates and members coming here for the 53rd Annual Convention of the New York Annual Convention of the New York State Council opening on May 27.

From all sections of New York State will come representatives of the various Councils to review past years activities and to work out new plans for the advancement of Columbianism and in the knights crusade against Communism and subversive propaganda, irreligion and family destroyers.

The sessions beginning Friday, May 28 and continuing on Saturday, May 29 will be presided over by State Deputy Michael F. Walsh of Brooklyn, widely known in the Rochester diocese.

The most important feature of the convention will be the election of new state officers, who will succeed Michael F. Walsh, State Deputy; Hugh A. Doyle, State Secretary; Thomas H. Cooper, State Treasurer; Francis J. Mahoney, State Advocate, and Timothy V. O'Shea, State Warden.

A splendid report of progress and activity is anticipated from the retiring State Deputy, Michael F. Walsh, who, in his three years in office, has inspired great enthusiasm amongst the membership. During his tenure he has personally contacted the officers of every council in the State and the result of his energetic leadership is reflected in the encouraging mental condition of the state and local councils.

The Membership Committee, under Patrick J. B. Ryan, its chairman, will show one of the best reports since the World War, with more than 1,500 members initiated during the past ten months.

The Study Clubs, which were inaugurated by State Deputy Walsh in his first term of office, have been organized in 97 councils of New York, according to James V. Mayer, chairman of the Catholic Activity Committee.

In addition, the councils have cooperated with Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in various of the Dioceses.

It is expected that the convention will voice its emphatic opposition to any further attempts to enact the child labor amendment in New York State and will take a strong stand against Communism.

Committee in Charge

Preparations for the convention have been successfully made by the Geneva Council Convention Executive Committee, consisting of Honorary Chairman George C. Handian, grand knight; Chairman Lewis L. McGuigan; Secretary Arthur J. Cowan; John F. Gleason, John J. Lee, Robert J. Wyatt, Tony Lobb and Willis Lynch.

From the opening of State Secretary Hugh A. Doyle's office on the first floor of Geneva High School, on Thursday, May 27, at 9 until the closing Solemn High Mass on Sunday, May 30, in St. Francis de Sales Church, the Geneva Committee has worked out a program that will have appeal to all knights and visitors who attend.

To Open With Mass

Formal opening of the convention will take place at a Solemn High Mass on Friday at 10 o'clock in St. Stephen's Church with the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Thomas J. O'Brien of Brooklyn, state chaplain, as celebrant. The sermon will be preached by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Walter J. Lee, V.F., pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church.

Delegates, local and visiting knights will meet at the State Armory at 3 o'clock to march to the Church escorted by the Fourth Degree Assembly and Boy Scout Troops, 8 and 13.

The Geneva Nocturnal Adoration Society will keep its all-night vigil before the Blessed Sacrament in St. Stephen's Church on Saturday from 10 p. m. to 6 a. m. Sunday. Delegates are invited to join with the Society at any hour.

Social Events for Ladies

For the entertainment of women attending the convention there will be a bridge party at Hotel Seneca on Thursday evening; a luncheon at Geneva Country Club, followed by a motor trip around Seneca Lake at 1:30 p. m.

District Deputy Edward G. Coyle of Lockport and staff will exemplify the Third or Major degree of

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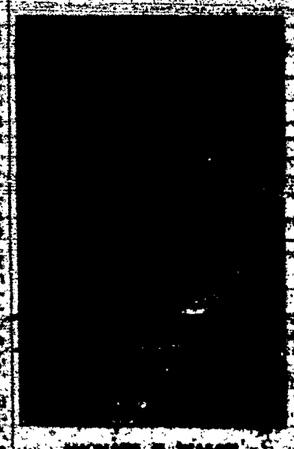
K. C. LEADER



MICHAEL F. WALSH

SONORA CATHEDRAL CLOSED SINCE '26 REOPENED

MEXICO CITY—[illegible] from reports reaching the [illegible] Governor Tomas Garrido [illegible] next Sunday, the [illegible] which has remained [illegible] Hermosillo, Sonora, [illegible] be opened, and a [illegible] over the [illegible] in Mexico.

The Mexican [illegible] has been issued [illegible] to [illegible] Archbishop [illegible] Bishop of Sonora, who [illegible] residing at [illegible] Arizona, [illegible] that every priest in the State [illegible] converted [illegible] Bishop and ordained [illegible] that every priest in the State [illegible]

Some 30 [illegible] were [illegible] registration [illegible] organization [illegible] the Party. [illegible] Mexico, continued [illegible] will not be [illegible] registration [illegible] only in the State [illegible]

The Cathedral [illegible] of Santa Cruz, [illegible] has been closed [illegible] to the [illegible] militia of [illegible] priest has been [illegible] to function in the State [illegible] Cruz. Therefore, there is no [illegible] worship [illegible] State.

Meanwhile two [illegible] conducted by Protestant [illegible] Federal District have been closed.

BISHOP GANNON ORDAINS SIX TO PRIESTHOOD

ERIE, PA Six candidates were ordained to the priesthood by the Most Rev John Mark Gannon, Bishop of Erie, in St Peter's Cathedral here The newly ordained priests are the Rev John C Cronin of Erie the Rev Thomas J Crowell of Boston, the Rev J Edward Feeney of Oil City, the Rev James Arthur Fleckenstein of Punxsutawney, and the Rev. Arthur J. Leon of Camden N J all of whom were ordained for the Diocese of Erie, and the Rev. Joseph William Brophy of Emporium, who was ordained for the Diocese of Kansas City Mo.

CARTHAGENA, O With the Most Rev Joseph H. Albert, Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati, officiating the following ordinations to priesthood took place in the chapel of St Charles Seminary, motherhouse of the Congregation of the Precious Blood Othmar F Missler Toledo Anthony G Kraff St Joseph, Mo Boniface R Dreiling Victoria, Kans. Cletus G Bihn, Medina, O., Edmund L. Binsfeld, Detroit, Urban A. Boorman, Glenwood O., Henry J Langhals Kahida, O., Cletus J Kern Defiance O Stephen A Tatar Lebanon, Pa Karl A. Wuest Cincinnati, Thomas A Clayton, Dayton, Francis J Mooney, Chicago, Leonard J Rancilio, Detroit; Joseph J Herod, East Chicago, Ind.; Robert B Koch, Cleveland Heights, O., and Joseph A Sheeran, Hardinburg, Ky

SACRED HEART GRADUATES WILL BE FETED BY P. T. A.

Parent Teachers' Association of Sacred Heart School will entertain the 1937 graduating class numbering sixty-nine pupils at a dinner in the school hall, Flower City Park, Tuesday evening, May 25.

President, Mrs. John P. Kelly has named Mrs. Edward J. Hilbert, general chairman of arrangements.

Committee heads assisting are: tables, Mrs. Clarence F. Page; prizes, Mrs. Chester C. Hahn; decorations, Mrs. Lawrence A. Tarnow, serving, Mrs. William J McKechnie.

The committee will be assisted by mothers of the graduates.

Mark Pope's Name Day

VATICAN CITY — Messages of good wishes poured in to His Holiness Pope Pius XI from many quarters on Wednesday, his name day. A number of the messages came from the heads of States, among them the King and Queen of Italy. The Mayor of Castelgandolfo sent a telegram in behalf of all the citizens.

Archbishop Mooney To Officiate At Cathedral Services; Four to be Ordained for Syracuse; St. Bernard's Seminary Class Numbers 29 this Year

Fourteen young men, including ten from the Rochester diocese, will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood by the Most Rev. Archbishop Edward Mooney at St Patrick's Cathedral on the Feast of the Sacred Heart, Friday, June 4 at 9 a. m.

The ordinandi are among the twenty-nine members of this year's class at St Bernard's Seminary

Because the See of Syracuse is vacant at present, four young men from that diocese will be ordained at the Cathedral with the Rochester group

Twelve others will be ordained in their own dioceses.

Two other members of the class, the Rev John B. Reddington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Reddington, No. 44 Alliance Avenue, Rochester, and the Rev. Robert Francis McNamara, son of Dr and Mrs. Thomas L. McNamara of Corning, have been ordained in Vatican City following their graduation from the North American College

Ordained Saturday

The other member of the class the Rev Leon Matuszewski son of Mr and Mrs Andrew Matuszewski No 29 Zygmont Street, Rochester will be ordained Saturday in the Metropolitan Seminary at Poznan Poland.

Father Matuszewski will be ordained by Cardinal Hlond, Archbishop of Gneisen and Primate of Poland He will return to Rochester to celebrate his first Solemn High Mass in St. Stanislaus Church on July 4.

Father Reddington, who was ordained March 19 will celebrate his first Solemn High Mass at Blessed Sacrament Church early in August. Father McNamara will celebrate his first Solemn High Mass at St. Mary's Church, Corning in July.

Ten Rochester Priests

The ten priests to be ordained for the Rochester diocese will celebrate their first Solemn High Masses in their home churches on Sunday June 6.

They are:

The Rev. James Walter Carron, son of James A and Margaret Carron. First Mass Sunday, June 6 at 11 a. m. at Corpus Christi Church. Assistant priest the Rt Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart; deacon, the Rev. Francis Hester, subdeacon, the Rev Mr John M O'Beirne. The Rev. Emmett Mages will preach the sermon.

The Rev. Daniel William Fraher, son of Michael J. and Mary A. Fraher, Montezuma, N. Y. First Mass, Sunday, June 6 at 10:30 a. m. at St. Michael's Church, Montezuma. Assistant priest, the Rev. John F Neary; deacon, the Rev. Joseph O Gorman; subdeacon, the Rev William J O'Brien The Rev Joseph E. Gilfoil will preach the sermon

The Rev. John J. Leary, son of Mrs John J Leary, Geneva, N. Y First Mass Sunday, June 6 at 10:45 a. m. at St. Stephen's Church, Geneva Assistant priest, the Rev. William H McFadden; deacon, the Rev. Edward J. Taney; subdeacon, unselected. Sermon will be preached by the Rev. James E. Callaghan.

The Rev. Philip E. McGahn, son of Mrs Charles McGahn of Geneva, N Y. First Mass Sunday, June 6 at 10 45 a. m at St. Francis de Sales Church, Geneva. Assistant priest the Rt Rev Msgr Walter J Lee deacon, the Rev John Healy subdeacon, the Rev Bernard C Hanna. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Francis Mason, pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church Rochester

The Rev. John M. Merklinger, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Merklinger First Mass Sunday June 6 at 11 a. m. at St Augustine s Church, Rochester Assistant priest, the Rev John H O'Brien, deacon, the Rev. Joseph Cirrincione subdeacon, the Rev. William Bolger. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Joseph Baierl

The Rev. Donald Murphy, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael Murphy. First Mass Sunday, June 6 at 11 a. m. at St. Mary's Church, Elmira. Assistant priest, the Rev. J. J. Moriarty, deacon, the Rev William D. Tobin, subdeacon, the Rev William A. Merchant. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Francis B. Burns.

The Rev. Francis Joseph Pegnam, son of Raymond E. and Katherine Pegnam First Mass Sunday, June

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ANGLICAN NUNS IN CANADA TURN TO CATHOLICISM

TORONTO—The Catholic Register, Archdiocesan weekly newspaper, reports a wonderful case of corporate conversion to the Catholic Church at Vancouver. The report in The Register, in part, follows:

"A community of Anglican nuns has decided to enter the Catholic Church in a body. The community is called the Society of the Love of Jesus and it has had charge of an Anglican school and a home for aged women. By its conversion the community risks the loss of all its means of support.

"The members have only recently written to their members and friends informing of their decision. The answers and repercussions must be awaited."

The community gallantly announced that it will continue its school and expressed hopes non-Catholic parents would continue to send their children. It is not unusual, it was pointed out, for non-Catholics to send their children to Catholic convent schools. No attempt, it was state, would be made unduly to influence non-Catholic children towards the Catholic Faith.

AUBURN FLOWER GUILD LISTS BANQUET JUNE 8

AUBURN Annual banquet of the Flower Guild of Mercy Hospital will be held on Tuesday evening, June 8, at Springside Inn with Miss Catherine Coffey as chairman.

Mothers and daughters of the Guild to the number of 100 dined on Tuesday evening at the Imperial Annex Miss M. Agnes Brennan, president, acted as toastmistress. Mrs Mary J. Dooley was presented with a gift as being the oldest mother in attendance.

Immediately following dinner a floor show was presented by the pupils of Miss Mary Rose Aubin.

The affair was arranged by a group of committees as follows: Reservations, chairman, Miss Laura Failey, assisted by Miss Lillian Donahue and Miss Helen Mahoney; entertainment, Miss Alice M. Kirwan, prizes, chairman, Miss Tessie Keenan, Catherine Karpenski, Dora Neagle, Frances Donovan and Catherine Coffey.

Gets Jubilee Trip

CLEVELAND — A round trip to Europe, with a visit to the Holy Father, as the objective, is the silver jubilee gift of parishioners of St. Christopher's Church, Rocky River, Cleveland suburb, to the Rev. Richard J. Patterson, founder of the parish. The gift has a money value of $2,500.

Auburn Sodalists Entertain Mothers

AUBURN [illegible] Mother's Day, members [illegible] Young Ladies Sodality of [illegible] ayden Church were hostesses [illegible] approximately 80 guests at a [illegible] party. A musical [illegible] presented by pupils of the Aubin [illegible] high school and [illegible] were under the direction [illegible] Alice Hedgerwald.

As a first act, Father [illegible] moderator of the Sodality, [illegible] short greeting to the [illegible] of the affair in the [illegible] awards — the first for the [illegible] mother present, which was given to Mrs. Catherine Hickey, and the second to the mother of the [illegible] ent family. This was awarded to Mrs. William Aubin.

Father Michael briefly addressed the gathering, after which Miss Russell, president of the Sodality, thanked the several members

Parish School Girl Wins Spelling Test

DANSVILLE — Competing with four other pupils Harriett Sterner, Dansville Central High School pupil, and Carolyn Kelly, pupil from St. Patrick's Parochial School, the town spelling match was won by Superintendent of Schools Wallace J. Braman Friday, and will represent the town of North Dansville at the Livingston County Match to be held in Geneseo Saturday, June 5.

Other contestants were Jeanne Fowler and Helen Evgenides of the public schools and Helen Nardi and Mary Knapp of St. Patrick's School.

Scholarship Test Set Saturday at Mercy High School

With a four year tuition scholarship as the prize, Our Lady of Mercy High School will hold its annual scholarship examination at 9 a. m Saturday, May 22.

The examination, open to all eighth grade students of Rochester parochial schools will include tests in English, arithmetic and spelling.

COLLEGE SPONSORS PRESS MEETING OF SCHOOL EDITORS

ST BONAVENTURE, N Y

The "what" of school publications was the principal theme of the second annual High School press Conference held Saturday at St Bonaventure College Over 150 members of the staffs of high school publications and their faculty advisors representing sixteen high schools participated.

Titles of the various talks and discussions bore out the general theme of the conference—the "what" of high school journalism. News writing, editorial writing, the content of newspapers, advertising, the mechanics of the high school newspaper and problems arising in the field were discussed.

Joseph F. Cumiskey, city editor of the Buffalo Times; Miss Mary Yve Flanigan, society editor of the Bradford Era, and John J. Crowley, advertising manager of the Olean Times-Herald, talked on their experiences in the newspaper business.

The Rev Theophane Leary, O. F. M moderator of the Laurel, monthly magazine of St Bonaventure College, gave the address of welcome to open the conference.

The Rev. Claude Kean, O. F. M., professor of English rhetoric, the principal speaker of the Editorial group advocated BREVITY in news writing, stating that speed is a requisite in modern journalism to keep in time with these days of neurotic haste.

AUBURN CATHOLIC HIGH CAST GIVES SUCCESSFUL PLAY

By M. R. WELCH
Catholic Centre Service

AUBURN Senior Class of Holy Family High School on Friday evening presented as their final dramatic offering for the season, the entertaining play, "Broken Dishes."

The crowd which filled the auditorium to its capacity, was responsive and warmly applauded the players

Members of the cast included Mary Rose Fanning Mary Ellen McIntee, Edith Conti, Catherine Leonard, Charles Miskell, Donald Kelsh, John O'Hora, John Lower, James Bannon and Ernest Bannon.

Charles Miskell's playing of "Cyrus Bumpsted, a lovable but misunderstood father," was especially commendable The acting of Miss Leonard, as the daughter was fine, and the minor role of the minister was admirably portrayed by John Lower.

Between the first and second acts a short but unique and well-done musical number, based on the song "Sweethearts" from "Maytime" was presented by members of the Senior Class. Following the second act, several musical selections were rendered and enacted by the Glee Club

The play was under the direction of Miss Dora Murray and the Rev. William E. Davie, principal of the High School.

Musical numbers were arranged and produced under the direction of the Rev. Francis Harding, assistant pastor, assisted by Mrs. Yolanda Cefaratti.

"Drummer Boy" Dies

WASHINGTON — Funeral services were held at St. Matthew's Church here Tuesday for Major General John L. Clem. General Clem, who won fame in the Civil War when, at the age of 10, he became known as the "Drummer Boy of Chickamauga," became a convert to the Catholic Faith several years ago. Burial will be in Arlington Cemetery. His daughter, the former Elizabeth Anne Clem, is a Carmelite nun.

Fordham Teacher College Gets Dr. Crowley as Dean

ST. LOUIS — Dr. Francis M. Crowley, Dean of the School of Education of St. Louis University, has tendered his resignation to accept a similar position with Teachers College of Fordham University, New York, it was announced today by the Rev. H. B. Crimmins, S.J., President of St. Louis University.

During the coming year Dr. Crowley will make a special investigation of teacher training for Fordham University.

Palestine Divorce Rate Nearly Equals Reno's

JERUSALEM — The annual report of the Department of Migration gives the following records: "In 1936 there were recorded 4,445 Jewish marriages in Palestine and 2,261 Jewish divorces. The Jewish divorce rate for 1936 was therefore 51 per cent for Palestine as against 40 per cent in 1935. Jewish divorce in Palestine measured against Jewish marriage places the Jewish population of Palestine in nearly the same position as that occupied by the State of Nevada."

The Entire Diocese Salutes the Catholic Press Association Convention