

### Ithaca CDA-Banquet Set

By Genevieve C. Driscoll  
ITHACA Plans are being completed for the anniversary dinner for members of Court Santa Maria, No. 240, C. D. of A., to be held in the Ithaca Hotel, Tuesday evening, May 17.

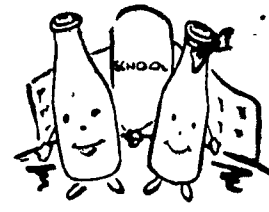
The Rev. John J. Treacy of Elmira will be guest speaker. Mrs. J. J. Maloney will act as toast-mistress.

Co-chairmen are Mrs. Arthur Broadhead and Mrs. C. E. Dollo way. Mrs. J. Edward Shea is chairman of the ticket committee, assisted by Mesdames Anthony Mastro, William M. Driscoll, Mary McGreevy, Patrick F. Howley, Miss Robinson, John J. Garney, Josephine Melberg, and Miss Anna Mulvey. Mrs. A. A. Cross is in charge of decorations, assisted by Mrs. Mary E. King. In charge of entertainment is Mrs. Mary C. Chino, assisted by Mrs. John J. Furry.

Socially Plans Coronation ITHACA Members of the Young Ladies' Sodality are busy making plans for the annual Coronation Ceremony to be held in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sunday evening, May 12.

The ceremony will include a procession, with the members of the Sodality singing hymns in honor of the Blessed Virgin, the crowning of the statue of our Blessed Mother, and solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Plans are also being made for the reception of new members to be held in the near future. Approximately thirty new members will be received.

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**MISSION INTENTION:**

The Holy Father would direct your prayers during the month that the students of our school might come to know the missions better. It is the aim of the mission director to inculcate a greater understanding of and appreciation for the mission work among the youths of our land. You can be of great help in the attainment of this goal if you will offer your prayers to Mary, Queen of Missions, for this intention.

### A Native Clergy

Evidence of the anxiety of the Holy Father to establish a Native Clergy in the Mission countries of the world becomes more pronounced day by day. In the Cathedral at Peking the Most Rev. John B. Wong has consecrated Vicar Apostolic of Aukou, China. He is the twenty-first Chinese to be elevated to the episcopal rank in modern times.

A few days previously, February 13, the Most Rev. Peter Tatsuo Do was consecrated Archbishop of Tokyo. Japan. Eighty years of Apostolic labors undaunted by frequent persecution which threatened to annihilate every progress has finally begun to bear fruit. Archbishop Do is the first native to occupy the important position of Archbishop in the future of the Church in these distant lands is entirely dependent on a Native Clergy. For that reason Catholics throughout the world should take a profound interest in the works of St. Peter the Apostle for a Native Clergy. Established but a few years ago, this organization collected funds with which to found and staff regional seminaries and support the students who offer themselves for preparation for the Priesthood. In its efforts to raise the memory for all time by establishing a purse providing for the education of a young candidate.

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### HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION

Rev. John S. Randall, Director

Queen of May: During the days of this month we salute the Blessed Virgin Mary as "Queen of May Boys and girls" throughout the diocese are making every effort to show their love and esteem for the Mother of God. Daily Masses, hymns and Benediction are the greatest signs of our affection. Medals and visits by the Blessed Virgin signalize what the actually means to each of us.

I would like to suggest another way of honoring this Mother, a way which could be most attractive to her. Why not give her a little pagan baby? Because her loving Son came down from Heaven to save all no matter what our color race or nationality she is anxious that each of us and every effort in giving to Our Lord these last shepherds for whom he searches if we, with our pennies could obtain the baptism of one of these little ones it would be most pleasing to her.

Why not get your own now and in these days when you are giving another babe to the feet of Christ. Offer it as your gift from the Blessed Mother. Nothing would please her more.

Weekly Report: Although many of you are kept busy these days with First Communion and Confirmation you have not allowed your interest in the missions to lag. Perhaps seeing others receive the Sacraments of God's Church has inspired you to go to the aid of those who are still bowed down with the yoke of paganism. Certainly it should for the closer we come to Our Lord and His Blessed Mother the more anxious we become to offer Him others that they might receive His Holy Sacraments.

First on our list this week are the boys and girls of the Sunday School classes of St. John's Parish.

We wish to ransom three of our new babies: Mary, Constance, Mary Ann, and John Joseph. These are especially happy and proud that we have ransomed five babies this year.

And will have their reason to be proud of this noble record. I would call your attention to the fact that these boys and girls are attending a public school. Would that some of our Catholic schools that have not yet lined up with our mission program had just a bit of their interest. I am sure that I can say to them for you "We go on!" Keep up the good work!

The boys and girls of the St. Bernard's of St. Mary's Boys Home would like a Hindu baby girl named Bernadette Marion. And from the Fifth and Sixth grades at St. Patrick's St. Mary's we have received an urgent plea for a Chinese baby named Mary John.

Another new comer joins our ranks this week. We want to say that we are happy to have the jump on the Mission Bandwagon. "At last you are hearing from us. Did you think we had forgotten the missions?" We have been saving our pennies during Lent and now we have enough to ransom a Chinese baby girl named Mary Helen Fourth and Fifth grades, St. Joseph's, Wayland.

The boys and girls of the St. George's school would like another son. Will you please pick out a Chinese baby boy and name him Thomas Anthony. Daniel Killgrew, St. Vincent's, Corning.

The Fourth and Fifth Grades would like to adopt a Chinese baby girl and baptize her Florence Agnes. Allen Poole, St. Patrick's.

### Editor Explains Concert Omission

In fairness to the Democrat and Chronicle, subject of a letter in the April 21, 1938 issue of the CATHOLIC COURIER in which it was pointed out that the daily newspaper did not report the Fordham Glee Club concert, a letter in explanation sent to the Rev. Mr. Magr William F. Bergan, Chancellor, by City Editor Wilbur G. Lewis, is reproduced here:

"Right Reverend and Dear Sir: This is in reply to your request for an explanation of why the Democrat and Chronicle of Wednesday morning April 20, carried no report on the Fordham University Glee Club concert the evening before.

"The omission was in no way meant to belittle the importance of the concert. Rather, it was in line with long established newspaper policy to give publicity to the concert only if it occurred instead of afterward, when it would do little good.

"A concert because of its nature calls for critical comment more than it does for a strict news story, since little can be said in a news story except that the glee club sang and that a certain number of people were there. The newspaper's music critic has made it a rule not to cover college and university concert events unless they are representative of music schools, since there is no criterion by which they can be accurately judged. Moreover, the newspaper has found that often hard feelings result if the music critic should become too critical of the concert.

"I checked back in past editions of The Democrat and Chronicle and found we had given news space to the concert when it was forthcoming. On some occasions we gave it a larger space than usual because it was being sponsored by Bishop Kearney.

"Naturally all of us who had anything to do with the stories regret that anyone should feel we had slighted the Fordham Glee Club. I can assure you, it was not our intention. The Fordham concert was handled exactly as other Glee club concerts in Rochester this year, among them according to my official recollection being Oberlin and Hobart. In each of the last two cases, as I recall, The Democrat and Chronicle printed only one advance story.

"I can readily understand the feeling of the man who wrote the letter to The Catholic Courier. But I am sure you also will understand how easy it is to misjudge a newspaper's attitude. And I trust you realize the ticklish position it puts a music critic in when he is called upon to criticize a concert in which the alumni of any institution are interested. If it is different entirely from criticizing a professional group whose members make their living from music, or of a music school at large, whose members hope some day to trade their living that way.

"If possible, I wish you would prevail upon the editor of The Catholic Courier to find some way for this explanation to reach the writer who signed himself 'Fordham Alumnus.' I'm sure both you and 'Fordham Alumnus' will agree that two newspaper can afford to appear discriminatory. As for myself, I wish I could explain to him personally that such a feeling is farthest from my heart.

Respectfully yours,  
WILBUR G. LEWIS,  
City Editor,  
The Democrat and Chronicle

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A combination basketball and tennis tournament held by the Holy Name Society Wednesday evening was successful in meeting the goal.

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