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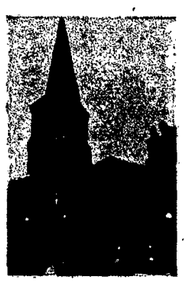

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CHILDREN HAVE FIELD DAY

GENEVA. — About 400 children of St. Francis de Sales Grammar School enjoyed their annual Field Day, May 23, at Gulvin Park.

The children enjoyed races and games and a variety of other activities. Inter-grade matches were also a highlight of the afternoon program. Refreshments were served at 4 o'clock.

Many of the parents came in the afternoon to view the games and races.

Arrangements for the Field Day were in charge of the Rev. William J. O'Brien, the Rev. Ralph Neagle and the members of St. Francis de Sales School faculty who accompanied the children.

St. Stephen's (Geneva)
PTA HOLDS FINAL MEETING

By KATHRYN MORAN

GENEVA.—Parent-Teachers' Association concluded its year's activities with a dinner meeting at the parish house on May 26. About 75 were in attendance.

Elections were held for the coming year with these results: President, Mrs. Arthur T. McAvey; vice-president, Mrs. George Handlon; program, Mrs. Fred Burke; finance, Mrs. Michael McCarthy; secretary, Mrs. Ralph LeBrun; treasurer, Mrs. Carl Dreher; membership, Mrs. Herbert Crowley; audition, Mrs. Daniel Claffey; hospitality, Mrs. J. C. Marquardt; historian, Mrs. Leo Mulvey.

Mrs. J. H. Gindling, retiring president, was presented with a gift of silver by Miss Alice Leary.

The program chairman, Mrs. T. E. Quigley, introduced the Rev. Daniel Fraher who spoke in behalf of the Rev. William H. McPadden who was on retreat.

Speaking on conditions in the home life of today as compared with those of former years, Father Fraher said that we are living in a very different and selfish age.

Parental Program

"It is time," he said, "for the parents to have a defense program of their own and to take into consideration defense insofar as their children are concerned. Children are left too much alone. Social life has robbed children and the home of a mother's care."

Emphasizing the importance of correct upbringing of the children, Father Fraher appealed to the parents to inspire and encourage their children and pointed out that parents are the first teachers and that no teacher can take the place of the classroom at home.

"We have sacrificed a great deal for progress," he continued, "if our outside interests cause us to neglect our children."

The importance of checking on children's amusements and reading was also stressed. "Decent literature, clean movies and proper supervision of recreation are most vital," concluded Father Fraher.

General chairman of the dinner was Mrs. John Bogart, assisted by Mrs. Harold Plunkett and Mrs. Richard Licht.

GENEVA — Plans completed for "Class Day" for the Class of '41 at St. Stephen's School, a bus will take the Eighth Grade to Roseland today, June 5.

Class officers for this year are: President, Bernard Guiman; vice-president, Joanne Tills, secretary, Jane Comisky, treasurer, Stephen McWilliams.

Advisory Board: Daniel Foley, Helen Quigley, Joseph Mayer, Eunice McDonough, James Roberts.

These officers are the result of achievement in the mid-year tests.

In a recent Poster Contest held for the Eighth Grades of the parochial schools of the Rochester Diocese, Eunice McDonough's poster won fifth place. It will be displayed at the exhibit to be held at the Columbus Civic Center, June 25-30. Robert Smith's poster was chosen for professional reproduction to be exhibited in the churches and schools.

'DAD'S CREDO'

On Father's Day morn I arise,
Heeding his simple advice.

Quickly I pray to HIM,
To keep me from the day's sin.

Dad laughs when I said,
"I want to be good and not bad."

Then I waited in silence, while
Again Dad laughed with a smile.

He took me in his arms,
Gently, as if I was a charm.

"Dear Lord," Dad softly prayed.
"You—"
And then words became few!

His eyes began to shine,
As he looked into mine.

Dad's Credo is so easy to see,
I am his Credo, just him and me!

—John Zubalay

Ladies Of Charity To Study Proposed Project On June 8

By MARY E. FITZGERALD

ELMIRA—Mrs. J. Edmund Kelly, chairman, Volunteers Bureau, Buffalo Catholic Charities, will be the principal speaker at the Quarterly Assembly Ladies of Charity of Elmira for members and their friends, Sunday, June 8, at 3 P. M. at Harris Hill.

ELMIRA SPEAKER

Mrs. J. Edmund Kelly

Presiding will be Miss Frances O'Connor, President of the local unit. Reports in script form, "Through the Month With the Silver Crucifix," will be given by subcommittee representatives, Miss Mary C. Lennon, Moderator. Meeting will close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, by special permission of His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D.

Mrs. Kelly coming as speaker, was characterized, last year by the Union and Echo, Buffalo diocesan newspaper, as the "leader of all workers in Catholic Action." Her experience in every line of volunteer work, means that she will bring to Elmira a message of vital importance to Catholic women interested in unselfish service to others who are less favored than themselves by Almighty God.

Active in Social Work

Since its inception several years ago, Mrs. Kelly has been chairman of the Volunteer Bureau. Organized in the depression by the late Father Meegan, this group of volunteers assisted the paid personnel of the Catholic Charities unable to handle the great volume of work under which the agency was buried.

Of this work, the Buffalo paper said: "These Friendly Visitors served two purposes. They entered homes of despair to bring a friendly interest into the problem there and were able to relieve some of the emergency needs. They brought the welfare checks which were cleared through the St. Vincent de Paul. There were at least 900 St. Vincent de Paul workers and 300 women volunteers. At the peak of the depression, they covered 10,000 homes a week."

Of Mrs. Kelly, an informant said: "For five years, Roselyn Kelly went weekly to the homes of at least 100 families, visiting, helping and consoling, and also walking. There was no car at her disposal. Even now, there are about 50 families in the same area, who continue to come to their helper and friend for advice and assistance."

This work was not entirely new to Mrs. Kelly. She became familiar with service to the poor during her high school days at Nardin Academy, when she was a member of the Mt. Carmel Guild.

Holds Offices

Mrs. Kelly is a Past-President of the Canisius Society of Canisius College, where a son was a senior last year. For three years she held the same office in St. Margaret's Mothers Club of the school of the same where her daughter is a student. She has served as vice-president of the Marillac Guild named after the co-foundress of the Ladies of Charity, St. Louise de Marillac. She is chairman of the Ladies of Charity affiliated with the Sisters' Hospital.

She is serving also as chairman of the Social Service Exchange of the Council of Social Agencies, Buffalo, and is Area Chairman of the New York State Conference of Social Work, Finance Committee.

These and many other activities in which Mrs. Kelly is interested led her interviewer to think that there must be more mornings than seven in Mrs. Kelly's week. She did not mention her work on committees in connection with the National Conference of Catholic Charities. Nor did she talk about her duties as chairman of Bishop Duffy's Committee for the Christian Home and Family. This work alone "would well occupy any woman if she did nothing else."

The committee works with mothers, *irrespective of economic status*, during the time they are in the hospital and after they return home, helping them to educate their children in the home where all true education must begin.

Project Proposed

This interesting and important project will be proposed to the Elmira Ladies of Charity for adoption in this diocese with the approval of His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney.

The reporter who wrote about Mrs. Kelly, described her as a vigorous, robust woman to whom laughter came easily. She saw her in her own home and was astonished at the ease with which she managed the duties of a mother of five children. The reporter said "Her home was in perfect order: children bathed in and out asking for cookies and painting books and she seemed to know the answers to all questions. Her large, soft, brown eyes have looked on sad things but they do not look sad."

When Mrs. Kelly was asked how she ever got "wound up" into so many things, she replied that it might be because she couldn't say "no." "I do not feel it trying; I plan my days and it all seems to fit in."

Years ago, Mrs. Kelly as a little girl, came into her mother's kitchen many times crying over the sad things she had seen in her work in the Mt. Carmel Guild. One day her mother said to her: "Either stop crying and do something or else do not belong to the Guild." Mrs. Kelly said that she never forgot her advice and it would seem that she has gone far since those days.

Some how or other, even in this busy world of ours, great women who are successful mothers, are so blessed by God that they can give generously of themselves in an unselfish and endless service to God's poor.

It is with such a background that Mrs. Kelly comes to Elmira to bring to the local unit of Catholic Volunteers, the Ladies of Charity, a message of inspiration to urge them on to the goal of perfect service, wearing the emblem of the Ladies of Charity, the small silver crucifix characteristic of the members of this great organization planned over three hundred years ago by that Apostle of Charity, St. Vincent de Paul and his co-worker, St. Louis de Marillac.

COURIER'S CURRENT CINEMA COMMENTS

By JOHN SPRINGER

(Editor's Note: Listed as Class B by the National Legion of Decency, this week, are the following: "Blood and Sand" — Objection. "Suggestive scenes and costumes"; "Major Barbara"—Objection, "Attitudes of irreverance and cynicism toward religious matters and marriage.")

Two more errant husbands go the gag route this week to win back their wives. But, although Dennis Morgan is lots prettier than William Powell, the winning of William's woman is lots more fun. It happens in "Love Crazy."

"Love Crazy"—A-2

Powell and Myrna Loy could make "Othello" a side-splitting comedy if they decided they wanted to play it that way. So when they got something that's really funny to start with, you can't hold them down. That's the way it is with "Love Crazy"—and it's one of the most constantly hilarious comedies of the season. That basic theme about the winning back of a wife is old stuff but it's just a framework upon which to pile some of the most wildly funny gags you have seen—and on top of another until you think that you can't possibly laugh any more. But then there's another gag and you're laughing again — harder than ever. Myrna moves through it all in a state of aloof calm—a perfect foil for the antics of the incomparable Powell. He clowns, he mugs, he hams like Basil Rathbone gone berserk. Groucho in his heyday was never like this! But—as Lolly Parsons would say—he couldn't be funnier. Gail Patrick, Florence Bates and Jack Carson help, too. It's ribracking comedy and it achieves it all without recourse to dirty burlesque situations. Score again for "Love Crazy."

"Affectionately Yours"—A-2

Another wandering husband tries to win back his wife by means of the most ancient gags that could be culled from Joe Miller's Joke Book and Mack Sennett's 1915 comedies. The husband this time is Dennis Morgan and he tries awfully hard to be bright and whimsical, but while Dennis is a very handsome — (as if he didn't know)—leading man, he just misses out when he tries to be Madcap Morgan, comedian. Of course, he doesn't get much help from his material.

The difference between this piece and "Love Crazy," which has the same basic theme is the difference between polished comedy, competently played and perfectly timed, and slapstick done by a cast that seems grimly determined to get the whole dreadful thing over as quickly as possible.

Merle Oberon can, on occasion, be as sparkling a comedienne as she is in dramatic roles. But the poor thing doesn't have much of a chance to sparkle what with falling into lakes and being pursued by Morgan and Ralph Bellamy. She goes through the picture as if she were just waiting to dodge a custard pie. The custard pie, sur-

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SS. Peter and Paul's
PARISH PICNIC SUNDAY

Parishioners are expectantly awaiting the annual picnic to be held Sunday, June 8, at Genesee Valley Park on Grounds No. 1 and 2.

A complete program of games and sports has been devised by the Sports Committee. Feature of the day will be the game between the married and single men.

Refreshments have been procured by Henry Jesserer of the Purchasing Committee. Francis Papineau, Chairman of the Prize Committee, has been working hard and reports many valuable awards have been secured.

Assisting the Refreshment Committee are Stanley Freeman, Oliver Hudon, Alfred Freeman and Henry Jesserer, Jr.

James Mulhern, Chairman of the Sports Committee, will be assisted by William Connors, Arthur Lester, George Blaski and Charles Jones.

Joseph Burkhardt has charge of tickets and printing; Charles Fishley, Edward Springer and Stephen Gould will be at the registration desk.

Everything is being done to make this affair a success and with a little good weather all the parishioners and their friends are sure of having a good time.

First Holy Communion was received by the young members of the parish last Sunday morning at the 8:15 o'clock Mass. Attired in their white outfits, these young boys and girls made an inspiring impression as they marched in procession down the center aisle for the most important day of their life.

The Wednesday evening parties are becoming more popular as the weather becomes warmer and parents playing outside. A large crowd was present last week and the popularity of these parties increased each week as more people tell their friends. Only in the event of rain or bad weather will the hall be used. Refreshments will be served to offset the warm weather.

A number of visitors have commented at the rectory recently on the beauty of SS. Peter and Paul's Church. In the past week an anonymous letter reached the office of the CATHOLIC COURIER, in which was described the splendor of this beautiful church. Because it is the policy of the paper not to publish unsigned letters, this one will not appear but it was felt that some mention of it should be made.

Holy Rosary Parish
NOVENA CLOSES JUNE 12

Solemn closing of the novena in honor of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Thursday, June 12.

Preparations are now underway to make this occasion an outstanding manifestation of religious devotion reminiscent of the fervor of European countries on days when whole countries turned out to honor the Blessed Sacrament.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay, pastor, will be the celebrant of the Solemn High Mass at 8 o'clock in the morning and at Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 7:45 in the evening.

Approximately 800 children will take part in a huge procession. They will be garbed in costumes representing many religious orders of the Church.

Over 1,000 adults will join in the procession.

At present, plans call for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church after which the procession will begin. It will lead to an altar erected outside where Benediction will again be celebrated. The procession will then march back to church where Benediction will once more be celebrated.

This threefold Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will serve as a fitting close to the novena and will be a wonderful observance of the Feast of Corpus Christi.

All who have made the Novena are invited to join in this final service and any others who wish to see this edifying sight are cordially welcome.

The Blessed Sacrament will be on exposition all day on Thursday, June 12.

Holy Trinity (Webster)
PATRONAL FEAST, SUNDAY

The Patronal Feast of Holy Trinity Church will be celebrated Sunday, June 8. The Holy Name Society will receive Holy Communion at the 8:15 o'clock Mass which will be a special High Mass. All parishioners are urged to receive Holy Communion on this day.

Parishioners are reminded of the special collection for the CATHOLIC COURIER subscriptions and to return their envelopes on Sunday.

The Mothers' Club of West Webster is sponsoring a dance and card party in Holy Trinity Hall on Friday evening, June 6.

A fine program of entertainment has been arranged with an orchestra, floor shows and special prizes. Admission has been set at 35 cents.

Nuns Run Venezuela Women's Reformatory

CARACAS, Venezuela. — The Women's Reformatory at La Victoria has been placed in the care of Good Shepherd Sisters. The Reformatory is the result of cooperation between the Venezuelan Government and the Bolivarian Committee of Ladies, but much credit is due the Rev. Juan Francisco Hernandez and Alberto Ravell, who have been indefatigable in their efforts to improve the social aspects of penal institutions in this country.

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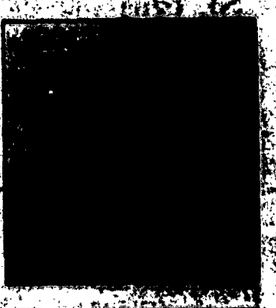

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