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Southern Tier Edition Opens

Courier Project Set For October

Plans for a Southern Tier edition of the CATHOLIC COURIER with Elmira as headquarters were given enthusiastic approval by priests of dioceses in the southern part of the diocese when unfolded at a luncheon meeting, Thursday last, at the Mark Twain Hotel.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee, V.P., pastor of St. Peter and Paul's Church, as dean of the Elmira deanery, expressed approval of the proposed edition. He said that a campaign of education on reading Catholic literature should be carried on with teachers asked to encourage children in such reading.

At the speakers' table were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James Griffin, dean of the Corning deanery and the Rev. William J. Brien pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Elmira. Father Brien voiced the sentiment of the priests and parishes in the Southern Tier in saying they would cooperate in the project to bring the diocesan newspaper into more intimate contact with those served in that area.

Expressing the desire of His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, for a "Catholic Courier in Every Catholic Home," Monsignor Hart reviewed the progress of the diocesan newspaper since its reorganization. He cited its effectiveness in not only keeping dioceses informed of general Catholic news and views but in advancing the work of Holy Mother the Church in the parish and in the diocese.

"While all Catholic publications have merit," Monsignor Hart said, "the program of local parishes and of our own diocese can be only adequately served by a newspaper published on the ground with the cooperation of clergy and laity."

He cited the influence exerted by the newspaper in his own parish, Corpus Christi, where it regularly every family takes the paper and nearly one hundred copies are sold at the church doors on Sundays.

Praising the COURIER staff, as loyal and faithful, Monsignor Hart recounted the untiring energies of Howard W. Kilpatrick, the manager, in advancing the paper's progress.

A graphic presentation of the CATHOLIC COURIER as an essential need by the diocese to expound, promote and defend and explain Catholic thought and doctrine with local conditions given first consideration was made by Mr. Kilpatrick with the use of colored posters.

Presented as Elmira representative of the COURIER was Basil J. Vaillancourt, deputy grand knight of Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus.

Members of the staff present were Thomas H. O'Connor, news editor, who will supervise Elmira news handling; Monsignor Hart, associate editor, who will act as liaison officer; and Elmer G. Granpeter, circulation.

Teachers From 87 Schools Confer Friday
Teachers from 77 elementary and 10 high schools will meet Friday for the annual teachers conference. Friday's session marks the thirty-seventh consecutive gathering.

A wide and varied program will be offered on elementary St. Bernard's level by 51 different speakers. Many of the sessions will offer opportunity for discussion from the floor.

The sessions will open at ten o'clock and close at 3:45 o'clock.

NUNS RETURN TO LONDON CONVENT, DESPITE RAIDS
LONDON.—One English community of nuns prefers the perils of raids to the discomfort of living away from home.

Bishop is Jubilant
Montevideo, Uruguay.—The Most Rev. Alfredo Uruqui, Bishop of Salto, has just observed the silver jubilee of his ordination.

Annual Call Sounded For Seminary Support

Future Depends On Backing Given



Feast of the Holy Name of Mary 1941

My dear People: Among the various appeals which are issued each year for the purpose of soliciting your interest and financial support, there is none which has traditionally met with such ready acceptance and generous returns as the appeal for our diocesan seminaries.

There is a sanctity about the seminary and its high and holy vocation. Our deep religious faith and our sincere respect for the sanctuary, have found us even lavish in our generosity that nothing might be wanting to give to God's service a priesthood, properly equipped spiritually, mentally and physically, to carry out God's work.

Pius XI, very aptly says in his classical encyclical on the priesthood, "The priest is set up as a master in Israel. He has received from Jesus Christ the office and commission of teaching truth. He must teach the truth that heals and saves."

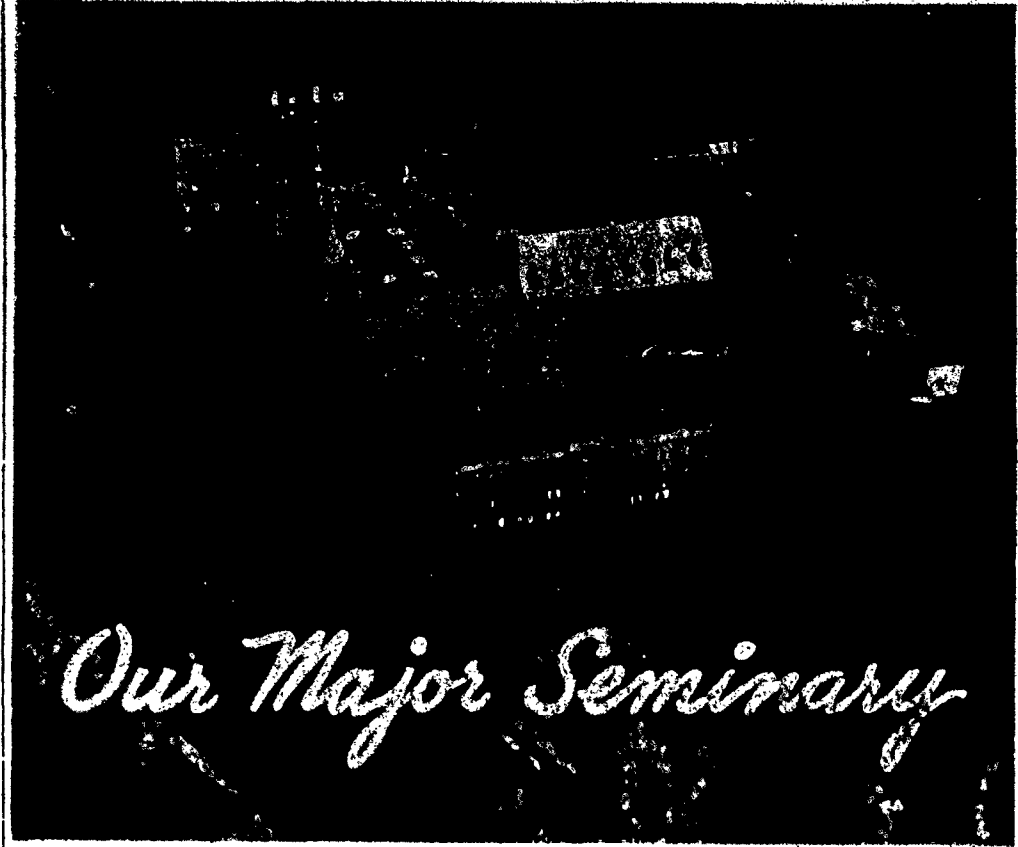
St. Bernard's Seminary is now approaching the half-century mark. After all these years of service you can readily understand that to the ordinary expense of maintenance, there is added yearly an increased expense for renovation and necessary reconstruction. For that reason we appeal in a special way to your generosity this year on behalf of the seminary.

May I also suggest on this occasion, that there could be no cause more worthy of remembrance in the making of your will than a legacy to the seminary to assist in its program of educating students who have a vocation to the altar.

Thanking you for your interest in the seminary in the past and confident of your generous support this year, I am

Your devoted Shepherd in Christ,

+ John E. Kearney BISHOP OF ROCHESTER



St. Bernard's Seminary, Then and Now

THE corner stone of St. Bernard's Seminary was laid fifty years ago, in 1891. The whole seminary then was contained in what was now known as the Main Building. Bishop McQuaid contemplated a school for the training of priests for Rochester with perhaps a few students from the neighboring dioceses. He did not foresee the interest St. Bernard's would arouse, the patronage it would claim from bishops who recognized him as a schoolman of the highest type, and saw in his faculty a group of educators of world renown.

Other names come down nearer to our own day, and include many still happily with us in life: Dr. William E. Cowen served long as Professor of Dogmatic Theology; Father Andrew Byrne of happy memory served as disciplinarian and as Professor of Moral Theology and Ethics; Father Michael J. Ryan taught Philosophy along with Father Edmund Wirth; Father Prosper Libert was Professor of Science and Librarian of the Seminary; Father Lapham and Father McFettrich, both converts to the faith, served faithfully on the faculty till their deaths, teaching English and Holy Scripture; Father William Ryan was Professor of English and of Mathematics; Doctor Frederick J. Zwierlein taught Church History and during his term as Professor wrote many books, including the Life of Bernard J. McQuaid; Rev. Edward Byrne has been Professor of Holy Scripture for many years; Father Joseph Bairl has taught Dogmatic Theology and Catechetics, on which subject he has been the author of a series of books in general use throughout the country. The Rector of the Seminary, Dr. John F. Goggin, has been on the faculty since the early years of the seminary, teaching Holy Scripture and Moral Theology, and acting as Prefect of Studies. Msgr. Joseph Grady is Vice-Rector and Professor of Psychology and Methods of Education; Dr. Wilfred T. Craugh is Disciplinarian and Professor of Metaphysics and Philosophy of Science; Father Francis T. Burns, S.T.L., is Professor of Fundamental Moral Theology and Sociology; Dr. Maynard A. Connell is Professor of English and Homiletics; Dr. Stanislaus Krolak is Professor of Logic, Ethics and Polish; Father William J. Naughton is Procurator; Father Leo V. Smith is Spiritual Director and Professor of Special Theology; Dr. John Dwyer is Professor of Special Moral Theology and Canon Law; Rev. Benedict Elmann is Professor of Church Music and German; Rev. John Loughlin is Librarian and Professor of the History of Education and Italian; Dr. Elmer A. McNamara is Professor of Introduction to Holy Scripture and Greek; Dr. Robert McNamara is Professor of Church History and Patrology; Dr. John A. Heddington is Professor of Special Dogmatic Theology and Patrology; Msgr. James J. Hartley is Rector Emeritus of the Seminary.

Bishop McQuaid was not a sturdy man when ordained. He was in such poor health that his Bishop felt he would have to do only light work for the few years he could hope to live. As a priest and as a young Bishop, he saw young men leaving the seminary for ordination in all but health. Limited means and poor supervision meant poor food and in very limited variety, with not the best in the way of cooking arrangements. Indigestion was impaired and the usefulness of the priests restricted by the ill health that often dogged their early years and frequently cut short a promising career in the priesthood.

This was not to be the case in the seminary Bishop McQuaid envisioned. Mental training, spiritual development, were to go hand-in-hand with the best care for the physical part of the student. Sister Adelphine was called in with a corps of Sisters of St. Joseph who were to care for the kitchen and dining room, and for the domestic arrangements in the Seminary. Good nourishing food, plenty of fresh vegetables, lots of milk, meat in all varieties, fruits in season, were to make up a bill of fare that would well compare with that of the best homes. His men were to go forth trained in mind and developed in body to be priests any diocese could be proud of.

Bishop McQuaid was just as determined in choosing a faculty as he was in preparing the school buildings for St. Bernard's. He did not wait till the seminary was building, till it was ready to open its doors, to look about for suitable priests to teach philosophy, science, moral theology, dogmatic theology, liturgy, canon law, Church history, Holy Scripture. He had his chosen ones, men whose intelligence and ability were far over the average, studying for years before the opening of St. Bernard's, so that they were ready as recognized scholars, graduates of the great schools of Rome, of Freiburg, of Louvain, men with degrees authorizing them to teach in a major seminary, when the first students presented themselves at the seminary.

Of the first faculty, Archbishop Hanna, Monsignor James Hartley and Father McQuaid alone are living. Monsignor Hartley can still speak with interest of those giants of old who were among the early professors in the halls of St. Bernard's: Dr. Andrew B. Meehan, author of a textbook on Canon Law; Dr. Andrew E. Breen, author of many books on Holy Scripture; Dr. Edmund J. Wirth of the faculty of Philosophy; Rev. John M. Petter, a master of Church Music and founder of the tradition of liturgical music at St. Bernard's, who for many years up to his death was President of the Society of St. Gregory—it was Father Petter who landscaped the seminary grounds, laid out the beautiful trees and shrubbery and garden paths, and erected the stately monument to Bishop McQuaid in the park to the south of the buildings.

3 New Members Appointed To Charities Board

Arthur Barry, Joseph Dryer And John Hayes Are New Officers

Three outstanding Catholic laymen, Arthur A. Barry, Joseph F. Dryer and John D. Hayes, are the new members of the 24-year-old Rochester Catholic Charities Board of Trustees. It is announced from the Charities office, Columbus Civic Centre.

Appointed by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, president of the Board, and elected by the Trustees, these men, with a background of practical philanthropic and charitable endeavor, succeeded the late Martin J. Rickard, John M. Rice and Francis J. Wynn.

Mr. Barry, a member of the pioneer Catholic family of that name, is chairman of the board, East Side Savings Bank, and active in other business enterprises, being an officer of the Elmira and Barry Co. His brother, the late William C. Barry, was treasurer for many years of the Rochester Catholic Charities and served on the board of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Mr. Arthur Barry is a member of the Immaculate Conception parish.

Mr. Dryer is manager of the Rochester office of Stone, Webster and Blodgett, Inc., investments and securities. As chairman of the special committee in the 1940 Columbus Youth Association election, by his untiring efforts, the committee, reached the highest point attained in the 18 years of the C. Y. A.'s campaigns. He is a member of the Immaculate Conception parish.

Mr. Hayes, president of the Wm. Farmer Candy Co. and active in Catholic affairs in Toronto has a special hobby. On two occasions each year he "troops" he is in the 200 underprivileged boys. In the summer he sponsors an outdoor picnic and at Christmas time gives the needy youngsters a Christmas party and dinner. He is widely known in Catholic circles, both here and in Toronto. Mr. Hayes is a member of Our Lady of Lourdes parish here.

Men selected for membership on the Rochester Catholic Charities Board of Trustees are chosen because of their Catholic background and prestige in the community as well as their co-operation with charitable endeavors," said the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, director and general secretary, in announcing the appointments. "These three men, it is certain, because of their standing in the community, will round out the program of successful achievements of the Board since it was established 24 years ago."

With the late Rev. Jacob Staub as director, the Rochester Catholic Charities began its work of looking after the indigent family and underprivileged children and other needed charitable work in Rochester, 24 years ago.

The Board is headed by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, with John L. Keenan, Vice-President, and David F. Lawless, Treasurer. Besides these and Father Lambert, members of the Board are the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph M. Cameron, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Chas. F. Shay.

John Barrett, Harry B. Crowley, Harold J. Coleman, Frank H. Biel, John Connor, James E. Cuff, Austin J. Cunningham, Harry G. D'Annunzio, William T. Farrell, Thomas H. Green, William J. Hausar, John L. Keenan, David F. Lawless, Rudolph C. Siebert, William F. Shaffer, Raymond C. Tierney, Frederick J. Walden, William T. Nolan is executive secretary.

Distribution Of Invalid Scapulars Draws Censure
NEW YORK.—Intimates being sured in a statement issued today drew Scapular clients throughout the United States by the foisting upon them of the felt Scapulars that have been declared invalid by ecclesiastical authorities was censured.

The greater majority of Scapulars being bought and sold today, he said, "are of the cheaper kind, and among these latter a very great part are of felt. Hence the sorry spectacle of so many invalid Scapulars in common use. It behooves all those who are looking for Scapulars, therefore, to pay particular attention to this matter and never to accept any Scapulars that do not fulfill the requirements of the Sacred Congregation. These requirements demand that Scapulars be made of woolen weaves alone. Scapulars of cotton, silk, or other materials are all equally invalid."

Despite the intellectual attainments of these people they are a danger to the world, the Bishop said when opening a new \$75,000 inter-parochial junior school in Manchester.

Attempts have been made before," the Bishop remarked, "to teach morality without religion, but they have failed; morally cannot be taught apart from religion."

The result of ignorance about Christian teaching will be the gradual destruction of religion, the Bishop said, unless Catholics make up their minds that they are going to stop it.

School Marks Jubilee
St. Paul.—Villa Maria, resident school for girls conducted on Lake Pepin by the Ursuline Sisters, observed its fiftieth anniversary Monday.

Elmira Charities To Hear Msgr. Sheen

Plans for the Sixth Annual Dinner for Catholic Charities of Elmira were discussed at a meeting of the Board of Directors at the Langwell Hotel during the past week. This leading Catholic affair of the year, which is always attended by several hundred Catholic and non-Catholic friends of the organization, will be doubly attractive this year because Monsignor Fulton J. Sheen, the famed radio orator, will be principal speaker.

Catholic Charities is justly proud of the privilege of presenting Monsignor Sheen for the first time in Elmira. He needs no introduction to any audience and a capacity attendance is already assured. Dr. John F. Lynch, Chairman of the Board of Directors and General Chairman for the Annual Meeting, will appoint other committee members immediately. The first meeting of the general committee which is composed of the Board of Directors of Catholic Charities and representatives from the Ladies of Charity, Catholic Youth Organization and each parish in Elmira and vicinity, will be held on Sunday, Sept. 21, at 6 o'clock. Reservations are now being accepted at the Catholic Charities office in the Federation Building.

Known for many years as a national figure, Monsignor Sheen has been given several international notices during the past year. The echoes of his eloquent voice and the writings from his gifted pen have done much to awaken people of every creed to the realization of the present world crisis. His presentation on Militarism and Pacifism is so important that it was reproduced in substance in a recent issue of the Sign and will also appear in the Bruce publication, "Declaration of Dependence." In one of his recent discourses which appeared in the May copy of Scribner's Commentator Monsignor Sheen answered the question which is ringing through every corner of the world today, "What are we fighting for?" "We are fighting," he said, "to restore discipline, virtue and love. Some things are not worth fighting for. Our inner life is good and sound. Only a few externals are bad. Once they have been swept aside by justice the hidden buds will come forth at another season, strong in new life—and America shall be what the Founding Fathers said it would be: 'A nation that trusts in God.'"

ST. JOHN'S ABSORBS NEW YORK SCHOOL OF LAW
BROOKLYN.—The St. John's University School of Law, with the opening of the new academic year Wednesday will absorb the student body of the New York Law School, Dr. George W. Matheson, Dean of St. John's Law School, announced today. The Manhattan institution will suspend operations.

The Law School of St. John's University is the largest in New York State and nationally is second only to Harvard. According to the New York Law Journal, the number of applicants to take the New York Bar examinations have decreased from 3,274 in 1929 to 1,302 in 1940 and students enrolled in New York City law schools decreased from 9,400 to 3,994.