

Dignitaries Join Parishioners In Church Dedication



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Dedication Scenes at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, West Elmira, Sunday Lower Left. Luncheon for clergy: (from left) Rev. Arthur F. Florack, Rev. William J. Brian, Rev. Leo C. Schwab, Bishop Kearney, Msgr. John J. Lee, Msgr. William M. Hart; Left Center, M. E.

Kennedy, L. W. Hastings, trustees with Father Schwab; Center, Father Schwab opens the church door; Upper right, Ushers with Bishop and Pastor; (Center right) Mr. and Mrs. James O'Dea; (Lower Right) Mr. and Mrs. William Murtaugh.

Begin Retreats For Public High Students

While their teachers were attending the State Convention, 110 public high school students on Oct. 24 heard words of counsel from Excellence Bishop Kearney at St. Michael's Church, where a spiritual retreat inaugurated a new movement among Catholic boys and girls attending local public high schools.

Students from Benjamin Franklin, Edison Technical and Vocational High Schools attended Mass celebrated by the Bishop and received Holy Communion from His Excellency. Assisting at the Mass were the Rev. Arthur F. Florack, pastor of St. Michael's; the Rev. Donald E. Lux, the Rev. John Kleintjes, the Rev. Paul Wohlrab, the Rev. William Schifferl and the Rev. George Vogt.

Following benediction, breakfast was served in the parish social center at which Bishop Kearney awarded rosaries to Anthony Battisti and Anne Krieg. The Bishop, in his address, compared life with preparation for a final examination or test with the time and place of the final test being unknown in advance. As a law student must prepare for an examination to be admitted to the Bar, so must all humans prepare for a final examination to be admitted to Heaven, the Bishop explained.

Father Florack also spoke briefly, announcing that the third Sunday each month is to be designated as Communion Sunday for the young men and women from St. Michael's parish attending the public high schools.

He invited the students to take advantage of the facilities of the parish recreational center on Tuesday evenings, which have been set aside for the exclusive use of the youth of the parish.

'Prom' Chairmen

Joseph P. Henry, Jr., 555 Wellington Ave., and Leo A. Brown, 412 Rockingham St., members of the St. Bonaventure College Class of 1943, have been named as music chairman, and publicity chairman, respectively, for the forthcoming Junior "Prom" at the school.

Secretary To Bring Women A 'Close-up Of Churchill'

The attractive and spacious dining room of the Genesee Valley Club will be the setting for the November 10 informal dinner party of the Catholic Women's Club, when its members will have the opportunity of welcoming as their guest of honor and speaker of the evening, Miss Phyllis Moir, a captivating and fascinating young woman who has had the distinguished career as private secretary to celebrities on two continents. Her subject will be, "Close-up of Churchill."

Mrs. Robert C. Hartman, president, will be honorary chairman and Miss Luella C. Burkhardt, general chairman, assisted by the following members: Miss Mary I. Clark, Miss Hilda Connor, Mrs. James N. Eastham, Mrs. Justin J. Flanagan, Mrs. A. E. Grate, Miss Alice F. Kirk, Mrs. William V. Magovern, Mrs. Ronald J. McDonald, Mrs. William A. McFall, Mrs. George L. McKay, Miss Ada Meng, Mrs. James D. O'Flynn, Miss Elizabeth Regnauer, Miss Hilda Schlitzer, Mrs. Carl F. Wattell, Mrs. Donald P. Woods.

Widely Traveled
Miss Phyllis Moir has traveled extensively in Europe and in the United States and almost always in the company of famous people.

Her travels began during the first World War when she joined the British Foreign Office in London and became the first woman of the clerical staff to be sent out on foreign service to the British Embassy in Paris. It was here that she chanced to be the one chosen to type out, in confidence, the historic terms of the Armistice early in November, 1918.

Her next post was Rome. While on these tours of duty Miss Moir was sometimes secretary to such famous people as Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Arthur Balfour, Sir Neville Henderson, Lord Derby, and other guardians of the British Foreign policies.

When Winston Churchill came to the United States in 1932 and lectured in the principal cities of this country, it was Phyllis Moir who was given the assignment to act

as private secretary to this dynamic personality and who traveled for months with the Churchill family while they were in the United States. Miss Moir has recently published a book, "I was Winston Churchill's Private Secretary" which "Life" magazine refers to as "perhaps the best intimate portrait of Churchill yet written," and since the publishing of her book she has received nationwide publicity and is in great demand

everywhere as a speaker. Only recently the National Broadcasting Company called in Miss Moir to collaborate on a dramatization of the life of Winston Churchill, which broadcast received the approval of Downing Street.

All members of the Club are cordially invited to attend this informal dinner and to make their reservations by phoning the Catholic Women's Club. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m.

HISTORIAN NAMED

Madison, Wis. The Rev. Francis X. Orthen, Rector of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Eau Claire, has been elected a curator of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin.

BISHOP DINES AT NCCS CLUB



The USO club at Harrisburg, Pa., operated by the National Catholic Community Service, has been used as a "home away from home" by more than 10,000 soldiers in the past few months. Pictured above is one of the reasons why the club is popular—Bishop George L. Leech, of Harrisburg, a frequent visitor at the club, enjoys an informal buffet supper with the service men. (N.C.W.C.)

K. of C. Choristers Elect Officers

Directed by John Paul Bonn, organist and choirmaster of St. Peter and Paul's Church Rochester Knights of Columbus Choral Society is rehearsing each Tuesday evening at 8:30 P. M. in Columbus Civic Centre.

Officers for 1941-1942 are: President, Lionel Rais; Vice-President, William Eckert; Secretary, William C. Barry; Assistant Secretary, Henry Patterson; Treasurer, Hubert Call; Librarian, James DeVine; Assistant Librarian, Joseph Gehring; Assistant Director, Paul A. Predmore; John Bogasky is accompanist.

Equity Knights Honor Two Rochesterians

Two Rochester members of the Knights of Equity were honored at the Forty-Sixth National Convention held in Toledo Oct. 9, 10, and 11.

The Rev. Roy B. Morphy, assistant pastor of Holy Family Church was named Supreme Chaplain of the order and Thomas H. Davis of Carlisle St. was elected Supreme Trustee.

Next convention will be held at Detroit, Mich.

Free Evening Classes

Classes in short hand typewriting, office-machine practice and dictation direct-to-typist are now available to ambitious folk at Monroe High School, Friday evenings, 7 to 10 P. M.

Two classes in Sewing and Dressmaking are also available to thrifty women, at No. 38 School, 270 Latta Road. One class meets on Tuesday mornings, 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon. The second class meets on Tuesday afternoon, 1:00 P. M. to 4:00 P. M.

STONE PLACED

Peru, Ill. The Rt. Rev. Justus Wirth, O.S.B., Abbot of St. Bede's Abbey here, laid the cornerstone for the new addition to the college, which will include a monastery, refectory and library.