

Ladies of Charity Week Of Activities Reviewed

By Mary E. FitzGerald

Scanning the notices on community events, we notice a scarcity of volunteer leadership, a growing indifference in regard to First Aid courses and other types of Volunteer

De Sales High School Notes

Students and faculty of De Sales High School, Geneva, enjoyed an illustrated lecture in the school hall, under the sponsorship of the Sodality of Our Lady. The lecture, on the subject of the famous shrine of Lourdes, France, was presented by the Rev. Joseph H. Gefell, D.D., chaplain at the Mother House of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Pittsford, assisted at the camera by Rev. Roy Murphy assistant pastor of Holy Family parish in Rochester.

Father Gefell described the journey as it would be made from Geneva and explained the origin of Lourdes and its significance. While the picture of the Immaculate Conception was focused on the screen, the audience rose and sang "Mother Dearest, Mother Fairest."

As an appropriate ending, when the American flag was shown, the audience again rose and sang "The Star Spangled Banner."

SCHOOL HAS CAMPAIGN TO SELL DEFENSE STAMPS

A campaign was launched for the sale of Defense Stamps and Bonds at De Sales High School on Thursday morning in special assembly. The stamps and bonds may be purchased each day in the school library from 12:45 to 1 p. m. and from 3:30 to 3:45 P. M.

Committees in charge of the sales are as follows: 12:45 to 1 P. M. Monday, Francis Foley; Tuesday, Paul Lehr; Wednesday, Genevieve Legoff; Thursday, Richard Walsh; Friday, Jeanne Le Brun; 3:30 to 3:45 P. M. Monday, Betty Knight; Tuesday, Alice Cook; Wednesday, Eileen O'Malley; Thursday, Jacqueline Stockman; Friday, Thomas Gillespie.

Bishop Urges Knights Get Copy Of New Testament

His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester and State Chaplain of New York, has sent the following letter to the members of New York State Councils:

"At our State Convention this summer, it was decided that the Knights of Columbus would take an active interest in the revised translation of the New Testament. This translation is now available. It has been very well received and I am sure every Knight of Columbus who has not already obtained a copy is anxious to do so. A copy may be obtained by addressing Confraternity Publications, 144 West 32nd Street, New York, or by notifying your own Financial Secretary, who will order as many copies as the Council can use or dispose of. Every Knight should have his own copy of this fine work."

Priest Becomes State's Civilian Authority On Poison Gas Control

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—The Rev. Frederick C. Hickey, O.P., returned here after representing the Rhode Island State Council of Defense at a two-week Government course on poison gases.

The course was given to police and firemen and to specially selected citizens from all parts of the country.

Father Hickey, who is professor of physical chemistry at Providence College, left two weeks ago for Edgewood Arsenal, Edgewood, Md., to begin the course. The nature of poison gases and means of protection from them were studied.

JOINS FACULTY

Bensenville, Ind.—Dr. Theobald Bernard Frank, formerly of Vienna, has joined the faculty of St. Joseph College here as Professor of Modern Languages.

St. Patrick's Day Banquet Set March 15 By K. C.

Fourteenth annual St. Patrick's Day banquet will be held on Sunday evening, March 15 by the Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus. The affair will be staged at the Mark Twain Hotel.

Cornelius O'Dea and Edward C. J. Marks have been named co-chairmen and will announce their committee and speaker for the occasion at a later date.

Purse Presented Fr. Murphy Leaving For Army Duty

By Mary Jane Moran

GENEVA—A large number of parishioners and friends attended a farewell reception for the Rev. J. Emmett Murphy, assistant pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, held Sunday, Feb. 12, in the school auditorium. Father Murphy has enlisted as a chaplain in the United Armed Forces of the United States and will have the rank of First Lieutenant.

A brief program was presented by the leaders of the parish societies. Speakers were as follows: Louis L. McGuigan, president of the Holy Name Society; Mrs. Josephine Fane, president of St. Anthony's Society; Mrs. W. C. Heffernan, president of the Rosary Society; the Rev. Raymond Nolan, Rev. Daniel Fraher, and Rev. Dr. McNamara, representing St. Stephen's parish; and the Rev. William J. O'Brien and Rev. Anthony Leoese C.S.R. of St. Francis de Sales parish.

A purse of \$400 was presented to Father Murphy by the parishioners. Other gifts included a mass kit from the National Council of Catholic Women, the handwork of Mrs. J. W. White, a sum of money from the Geneva Council of the Knights of Columbus, and a kit from Our Boy's Fund.

Father Murphy expressed his deep gratitude for the kindness shown to him. He left on Sunday to visit his mother in Rochester before taking up his duties as chaplain.

School Nuns Complete Red Cross First Aid Course

GENEVA—Completing the standard Red Cross First Aid course in connection with the National Defense program are approximately forty members of the faculty of De Sales High School, St. Stephen's and St. Francis de Sales parish schools.

Miss Mary Gallagher, R.N., is class instructor, assisted by Mrs. Rachel Palmer, city health nurse.

Considerable interest has been shown in the course. Teachers of the three schools who have completed the standard course began work in Advanced First Aid on Monday.

The faculty is comprised of members of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph which is engaged in teaching not only in the parish schools but also in the high schools and colleges throughout the country.

Sisters completing the course included about twelve from De Sales High School, seven from St. Stephen's parochial school, and eighteen from St. Francis de Sales parochial school.

The local program is in keeping with that throughout the Diocese of Rochester, representatives of all of the school faculties being engaged in First Aid work under the National Defense program.

FORMS CAROLINA UNIT

Raleigh, N. C.—At a meeting at the Catholic Orphanage, Nazareth, N. C., a chapter of the alumni of Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md., was organized.

ELMIRA CATHOLIC HIGH

Patriotism Program Marks Washington's Birthday At School

By WILLIAM THOMAS

The Junior and Senior classes bade a six-week farewell to festivities at their pre-Lenten party, Feb. 10. The affair was held in the assembly hall and was well attended by members of both classes.

Besides ordinary dancing, a marathon was conducted, with 15-cent Defense Stamps as prizes. At the intermission a community sing was featured, including patriotic songs such as the National Anthem and "America," as well as modern popular songs. Music for the party was furnished by the "ECHOES," Catholic High's orchestra.

George Washington's Birthday was celebrated at ECHS with a patriotic assembly last Friday, Feb. 20. A cast of seven seniors, including Agnes O'Herron, Betty Cloke, Robert Ervin, Joseph Curran, Daniel Sullivan, David Shay and Frank Bognione, presented a short play set portraying our first president's mishap with the cherry tree.

Following this, several brief incidents on the subject of privileges granted by the Bill of Rights were enacted by Richard Lagonegro, Madeline Ruddick, James McGann, Tom Burke, Frank Maloney, Edward Gill and James Sullivan. Miss Barbara Romasser, a St. Patrick's Grammar School student, was "guest speaker" for the program. Miss Romasser gave a poetic recitation.

Has Distributed 25,000,000 Pieces of Catholic Reading Matter In Past 22 Years

CHICAGO, (INC)—For the past 22 years every month has been Catholic Press Month to Frank Estis, local layman.

In that time he has distributed over 25,000,000 pieces of Catholic reading matter and at the moment is providing such material to more than 90 military camps throughout the country.

Mr. Estis recently declined the offer of a position with the Federal Bureau of Investigation so that he could carry on his work of disseminating Catholic reading matter. This, he feels, is vital to the spiritual defense of the nation. He was a British secret service agent in the first World War.

Named Commissary Provincial

LOS ANGELES—Appointment of the Very Rev. Joseph Fenelon, O.F.M. Cap., as Commissary Provincial of all branches of the Third Order of St. Francis under the direction of the Capuchin Fathers on the Pacific Coast has been made here by the Very Rev. Stephen Murtagh, Provincial, Father Fenelon, former pastor of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Lawrence Churches here, established the Third Order in many California parishes.

Money talks! United States Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps about "Victory!"

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Requiescant In Pace

Henry J. Buckley, 71, Benton farmer, died Friday, Feb. 20.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Anna Clara Buckley, and six brothers, Michael, Morris and Jeremiah, all of Penn Yan, Edward B. of Willard, Joseph of Benton and Dr. Frederick Buckley of Rochester.

Services were conducted Monday at St. Michael's Church, Penn Yan.

Hugh Cunningham of Blossburg, died unexpectedly Feb. 14. He was a member of St. Andrew's Church, the Holy Name Society, and United Mine Worker's Union.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rose Cunningham; eight daughters, three sons, two brothers, a sister. The funeral was held at St. Andrew's Church Tuesday at 3:30 a. m., the Rev. Hugh Kelly officiating. Burial was in St. Andrew's.

George L. Hough of Binghamton, formerly of Elmira, died Friday, Feb. 20, 1942, at Lourdes Hospital, Binghamton, after a brief illness. He leaves two sisters, Mrs. John H. Collins and Mrs. John F. Maloney of Elmira; three brothers, Edward L., Daniel V. of Binghamton and

Frank of Florida, and several nieces and nephews. Funeral was held Monday at 10 at St. Mary's Church. Burial in SS. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Michael L. Bourke, 64 of 280 Fulton St., died Thursday, Feb. 19. He was a communicant of St. Mary's Church, a member of its Holy Name Society and a member of Elmira Council, K. of C.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Note Callahan Bourke; four sons, Francis of Elmira, Edward of Ft. Meade, Md., and John and James of Washington, D. C.; two sisters, Mrs. Stella Dwyer and Miss Nellie Bourke of Boston, Mass. Funeral was held at St. Mary's Church on Monday.

Frank N. Shea, 52, former resident of Montour Falls, died Feb. 18. He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Hazel Freeman of Syracuse, Mrs. Charles Brown of Elmira, Mrs. Nellie Austin of Ithaca and Mrs. Catherine Washburn of Groton; a son, Sam Elbe of Syracuse and several grandchildren. Funeral was held Saturday at Holy Cross Church, Ovid.