

ST. ALPHONSUS, Auburn

PLAN ANNUAL DINNER

AUBURN.—The Catholic Action League of the parish held their April Meeting in the form of a supper party on Wednesday evening at the Woman's Union. Miss Edna Thompson was the chairman for the event. Following the supper a business meeting was held and Miss Rita Walsh presided. Plans were made for the annual dinner meeting to be held on Wednesday evening, July 30, at Springdale Inn, West Lake Road. Miss Walsh, president of the organization, appointed Miss Carline Casper and Miss Althea Reid, co-chairmen for the affair. Rev. Walter Fischer, spiritual director of the league, spoke briefly. Capt. William V. Graney of the Auburn Police Department was the guest speaker at the meeting. Captain Graney discussed "Decontamination" and showed photographs to illustrate the problem.

St. Alphonsus School

The Honor Roll of St. Alphonsus School for the Month of March was published this week. The following members of the school merited a place on that list:

Fourth Grade: Fred Atkinson, Raymond Hahn, Bernard Casper, David Clifford, Richard Fenimore, Christine Hester, Neil West, Richard Laird, James Lager, Donald Lawler, Joseph Maloney, Charles Pie-

per, David Rice, Charles Spry, John Walsh, Thomas, Robert, Maurice Purnell, Helen Conroy, Betty Davis, Lisa Valer, Rita Ferris, Elizabeth Laird, Joan McCarthy and Marjorie O'Brien.

Seventh Grade: John Baker, Edward Brennan, John Carmody, William Clark, Dennis Harrington, Richard Heagerty, Robert John, Frederick LaFev, Kenneth Murphy, Frederick Tenney, Mary Foley, William Morrison, Shirley Barker, Christine Carter, Shirley Chalkley, Betty Gentry, Betty Jane Nolan, Rita Richards, Anne Rogers, Jane Salter, Margaret Tom and Gloria Wiley.

Eighth Grade: Jerome Redinger, Fred Hill, James Parks, Harold Casper, Donald Clifford, Edward Davis, Richard Doherty, William Mahoney, James Myers, Herman Taylor, Charles Walsh, Harry Dwyer, William DeLeon, Carol Hall, Charles Johnson, Jane Kovacs, Patricia Kruman, Catherine Linneman, Margaret McKeane, Jeanne O'Donnell, Virginia Schomay, Betty Roberts and Jean Vanderlin.

Fifth Grade: Marjorie Bannum, Robert Brian, Walter Clark, Mary Dwyer, Cynthia Ellis, Thomas Kruse, Virginia O'Brien, Emanuel Mendicino, Robert Meyer, Marie J. McLaughlin, Paul Morris, Laurel Payne, Harry Pletcher, Robert Simpson, Richard Taylor, Elizabeth Vincent and Virginia Winkler.

Fourth Grade: Janet Altkemper, William Byrne, Joseph Casper, Joseph Conroy, David DeLeon, Robert Doherty, Karl John, Frank Lager, Paul McCann, Donald Miller, John O'Connor, Richard Pletcher, James Walker, Rita Walsh, Mary Walsh, Norma DeLeon, Josephine Doherty, Helen Fenimore, Mary Fenimore, Barbara Lavie, Evelyn McGovern, Dale Roberts and Helen Swanson.

Third Grade: David Bannum, William Casper, Robert Doherty, Raymond Hahn, William Hahn, Richard Salter, Margaret Doherty, Ann Daly, Harry Dwyer, Edward Dwyer, Nancy Hahn, Agnes Kruman, Charles Nolan and Jerry Tomlin.

Second Grade: David DeLeon, Robert Walsh, Joseph Walsh, Emma Dwyer, Olga, Marjorie Gagn, Patricia Hahn, Roy-

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Air Raid Wardens

Billy Picciano, a Columbus Equiro, served as a mummy at the meeting of the Air Raid Wardens in Recreation Hall in Water Street on Monday evening. The young athletes in the first demonstration had a broken back and in the second was treated for a broken neck. Carl Schrock was the first assistant in the blanket rolling and bandaging of the victim. Father Frederick G. Straub and Rev. Walter Fischer, Sergeant Linnbach's chief aid, also helped in the accident and relief demonstration. It was a lively Red Cross First Aid Meeting and was attended by eighty of Sergeant Linnbach's workers and Ralph J. Hoy of Engine Company No. 4 of Auburn Fire Department was the instructor of the class.

The Young Ladies' Society of the parish will hold their annual Communion Breakfast at Springdale Inn on Orange Lake on Sunday, May 3. The Societies will receive Corporate Communion of the 8:30 o'clock Mass and then proceed to Springdale for breakfast. Father Amann asks that anyone desiring transportation to meet in front of the Parish House immediately after the Mass and they will be taken care of by the Committee in charge.

MINSTRELS ACCLAIMED

AUBURN.—The High School Club of St. Mary's were warmly applauded for their outstanding performance of the "Merry Minstrels of 1942" from the opening chorus until the singing of "God Bless America" the participants of the Merry Minstrels lived up to the promises made by their directors Gerald T. Conroy and Paul Landers. During the closing song the hall was darkened and a large electric sign displayed the words, "Way Ahead."

Donald and Barbara Jean Lawler presented "When Pa Was Captain Ma," and the South American War," two stinging and dazzling acts which were very clever and deserved the applause they received and St. Mary's own Anne Shannon delighted her audience with her rendition of the "White Cliffs of Dover." Johannes Callahan was at his best in his solo, "I Want to Be From Earth's Paradise" and the audience provided plenty of humor throughout the show. The program was as follows: Opening Chorus, Eddie Conroy, Conroy's Tune, "Whirlwind That Is No Laughing," Mattie, Anne Murrell, Top Dancer, Gloria Lafford, Sophie Pie, Philadelphia How About You, Betty O'Brien, Blues to the Night, Interlocutor, I want to be from earth's Paradise Pie, Blackout, Marine of St. Cecilia John O'Toole, Deep in the Heart of a Texas, Moxhall, Shepherd Bernado, Rita Driscoll, Georgia Moon, Jack Cunningham, White Cliffs of Dover, Anne Simmons, Ma, I Miss Your Apple Pie, Chorus, Entire Company.

The members of the chorus were: Erwin Barney, William Quinn, Francis Catalano, Jean McMahon, Gladys Leonard, Eleanor Hayden, Gloria Lafford, Helen Corcoran, Rita Driscoll, John Cunningham, Anne Angelina, Ada Piccarillo, Jean Gyan, Marie Green, Dolores Robinson, Margaret Rice, William Gloskey, Katherine Kelly, Murrell, Marion Robinson, Laraine Bradley, Yolanda, John Bergan, Anne Simmons, Betty O'Brien, Margaret Conroy, Betty Brennan, Margaret Lewis, Marjorie Hickey, Virginia Wilson, Mary O'Hara, Mildred Quinn, John O'Toole, Edward Driscoll, Jean Dancy, Theodore Marquart and James Ryan. The Stage Managers were John Sullivan and Gerald Wilson and the co-chairmen of the Ticket Committee were William O'Brien and Donald Crawford. In connection with the Minstrel Show the Lyceum Players of St. Mary's Church presented a one act play entitled "The End of the Road." Miss Barbara Burns was the director and the cast was as follows: Mr. Booths, George Bannan, Imogene, Marion Stevens, Henry, John Murray, Josephine, Barbara Burns, Lady Genevieve, Eileen Burns.

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St. Mary's School

In a surprise Air Raid Drill the pupils of St. Mary's School broke their previous air raid practice record when the 360 boys and girls and teaching staff in three minutes and forty seconds evacuated the school building in Clark Street and were marked present and accounted for in the air raid shelter in the Post Office Building in Genesee Street. When the alarm was sounded the Nuns saw to it that the boys and girls got on coats and hats and marched to their destination. There was no tie up in traffic during the drill and Captain Arnold of the Auburn Police Department announced that the drill time was cut almost in half when compared with the previous record of six minutes. Captain Arnold was assisted by Sect of Wardens Dexter Nash and Dan Gleason and Post Wardens, George Townsend, C. D. Blessing and George Lester. Interested observers at the drill included Rev. Dr. W. E. Owen, Rev. Joseph McNamara, Rev. Dennis Hickey and newspaper photographers and reporters.

May Devotions

May, the month of Mary begins on Friday. Each year St. Mary's Church conducts devotions every evening during the month of May

In honor of her patroness, Our Lady of the Assumption. The services will commence at 7:30 and will consist of appropriate prayers, a short discourse on some phase of Our Lady's life and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. As part of these devotions there will be special prayers for the success of the country in its struggle for survival and for the men and women enlisted in the armed forces.

Sodality

Sunday, May 3, is Sodality Sunday in St. Mary's and the members of both the Senior and Junior Sodalties will receive Corporate Communion at the 8:30 o'clock Mass. The Junior Sodality will meet on Monday, May 4, in Lyceum Hall and the Seniors have postponed their meeting until Wednesday, May 13, at 8 o'clock in Lyceum Hall. Both of these meetings are important as plans must be made for the Annual Communion Breakfast which will be held on the First Sunday in June and the May Reception which will be held on Sunday, May 24.

Holy Name

St. Mary's Parish will be represented at the Holy Name Convention in Rochester on Sunday, May 3, by President, George Train, Secretary, John Ganey and delegates, Joseph Knapp and Joseph Ganey and by the moderator of the Holy Name Society, Rev. Joseph McNamara.

Penny Bazaar

The Junior Sodalties are as busy as bees these days getting ready for the Penny Bazaar which will be held on Wednesday evening, May 6 at 8 o'clock in Lyceum Hall. The Sodalties are anxious to realize enough from their party to send a representative to the Sodality's Summer School of Catholic Action. The Misses Joan Scolan, Elizabeth Bradley, Marjorie Hickey and Kathleen Kelly head the large committee for the Defense Bond raffle. Incidentally, all books must be returned before 8:30 P. M. on May 6th. The card game is in charge of Jean Mitchell, Ann Lane and Marjorie Lane and Miss Jean McMahon will be glad to tell your fortune, if you care to look into the far distant future. The game of skill will be in charge of Betty O'Brien, Ann Simmons and Monica Robinson; the Penny Pitch Game is co-chaired by Betty Brennan and Jean Wade and Miss Helen Corcoran offers an attractive prize for the winner of the "Bean Guessing Contest." If interested in ice cream and cake, get in touch with Ann Feeley, Elizabeth Fahay and Barbara Sanderson but if you prefer to make some candy call Marie Antonacci or Rita Burns. Helen Deitchman and Louise Ciampi are in charge of the Fish Pond and promise many interesting surprises.

Catholic Press Aids Mother To Learn of Soldier's Holy Death

CHILLICOTHE, Ill.—The Catholic Press has served as a channel of comfort to one mother bereaved by the death of her son in the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor. She is Mrs. R. L. Coster, of this city. Having read in a Catholic publication a letter from the Rev. William Speer Strahan, chaplain at Fort Kamehameha, Hawaii, to the most Rev. Peter L. Ireton, Coadjutor Bishop of Richmond, Mrs. Coster wrote to Father Strahan to ask if a youth whose exemplary Catholic death he described was her son. Father Strahan had not mentioned him by name, but did state that the soldier seemingly only slightly wounded, asked for Holy Communion, because the next day was his birthday—the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The youth died on the feastday. Mrs. Coster had been notified of her son's death—on his birthday—and Father Strahan in reply to her letter confirmed that it was her son to whom he ministered. He then gave her further details of her boy's final moments, revealing even more fully that he died in the bosom of the church and fortified by her Sacraments. The Juniors are inviting all their friends and parishioners to come to the "Penny Bazaar." They promise a most enjoyable evening and will be pleased to have you help them make their party a real success.

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