ST. PATRICK'S, Owego

WINS SPELLING BEE

By MISS MARY C. BROSNAN

OWEGO—Mary Ellen Donnelly, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Donnelly and Thomas O'Connor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew O'Connor, represented St. Patrick's Parochial School in the regional spelling contest which was held in St. Peter's and St. Paul's School in Elmira on Saturday morning.

Other schools represented were six schools from Elmira, three from Corning, one from Ithaca and one from Owego.

To Thomas O'Connor of the local parochial school went the honor and distinction of winning first prize in the contest. Aside from being presented with five dollars in cash young Mr. O'Connor will represent the Elmira deanery in another contest to be held in Geneva on Saturday morning of this week. The best wishes for his success in the Geneva contest is extended to Thomas from his classmates and his many friends in the parish.

Nuns Aid Rationers

To comply with the regulations of the local public schools the parochial school closed at noon from Monday through Thursday. The Sisters of Mercy assisted the teachers of the public schools in filling out the sugar rationing cards on the afternoons that school was closed.

Hogan-Kushner

The wedding of Miss Helen Kushner and Corporal Hugh G. Hogan, both of this village, took place on Tuesday morning at Fort Benning, Ga., where Corp. Hogan is stationed as a member of the Parachute Battalion stationed at Fort Benning. He received his commission as second lieutenant on May 5. He is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Hogan of this village and is a graduate of St. Patrick's Parochial School. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kushner of Johnson City.

Navy Fliers Devoted To Saint

HONOLULU — Special devotion to St. Michael the Archangel has grown up since the outbreak of the war among the men of our United States aircraft carrier now in the Pacific.

The Catholic chaplain told of the special meaning the men find in the opening words of the prayer to St. Michael that is recited after Mass in all Catholic churches throughout the world. When he and his congregation say "St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle," the Chaplain said, they "mean the coming battle against the Japanese."

After the word "battle" in that prayer, he said, the chaplain makes a big long pause. The crowds join in with the words from that point on.

Since the start of the war, the Chaplain said, he has added a fifth invocation after each Mass to says toward the carrier. "O Mary Conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. St. Christopher, pray for us. St. Michael, pray for us." "These are the patrons of my ship," he said.

ST. JAMES, Waverly

WISNICSKI-MORGAN

By ELLEN T. FALSEY

WAVERLY — Miss Dorothy F. Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Morgan of Nichols, N. Y., and Mr. Nicholas Wisnicski of Hornell were united in marriage in the rectory of St. James Church, Wednesday, April 29 at eleven o'clock by Rev. E. J. Lyons, pastor. Mrs W. L. Richards and Mr. Charles Morgan were the attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Wisnicski will reside in Hornell where the groom is employed by the Erie Railroad Co.

First Communion

Children of the First Communion class are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion Sunday, May 26.

Miss Josephine Mazza

Funeral services for Miss Josephine M. Mazza were held at the family home, 14 Ulster Street, South Waverly, April 30, at 9 o'clock and at 9:30 at St. John's Church, South Waverly. Requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. J. J. Golden, pastor. Burial was in St. James Cemetery, Waverly.

Bearers were Anthony Machutes, Desmond Lesher, Kenneth Hoover, Michael Yanurzi, Louis Latone and Vergie Garfield.

James M. O'Hern

James M. O'Hern, retired employe of the New York Central Railroad, died in Buffalo, April 25 at 11 o'clock, after ten weeks' illness. He was born in Smithboro.

He is survived by one sister, Mrs. William J. McClerman of Elmira, and one brother, Joseph P. O'Hern of Salamanca.

Funeral services were held April 28 at St. James Church, Waverly, with the Rev. James B. Keenan officiating.

Bearers were: J. J. Higgins, M. J. Downs, Philip Kerrigan, George Brougham, Thomas Frost and C. J. Ryan.

Burial was in St. James Cemetery.

Learn First Aid

Lancaster, Pa.—Forty-eight nuns, representatives of four religious communities in this city, have completed a first aid course at the nurses' home of St. Joseph's Hospital here, which is conducted by the Sisters of St. Francis.

Scrap Metal Drive

Chicago.—In all parishes of the Archdiocese a letter from the Most Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, Archbishop of Chicago, was read asking Catholics to co-operate in the Government's drive to gather scrap and essential materials.

'OUR LADY OF NEW YORK'

This new marble altar in the Lady Chapel of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, was consecrated by Archbishop Francis J. Spellman recently. It is the gift of George J. Gillespie, and replaces a temporary altar installed when the Lady Chapel was added to the Cathedral in 1906. The new statue on the altar will be known as "Our Lady of New York." Photo copyright, 1942, by the Archdiocese of New York. (N.C.W.C.)

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