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CHILDREN'S HOMES CONSOLIDATE



OUR DIOCESAN RETREAT HOUSE (above) located on Lyckland Road, Geneva, will be formally opened with an outdoor Mass celebrated by Bishop Kearney on Decoration Day, May 30 at 10 a. m. on the spacious grounds adjoining the building. Here will be held week-end retreats for lay groups from all parts of the diocese.

CATHOLIC COURIER Staff Photo

Cottage Plan Villa Wins State Approval; Transfer In June

Consolidation of the three homes for dependent children in the Diocese of Rochester was announced today by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester. This clears the way for transferring the children from St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Homes to the new and beautiful St. Joseph's Villa of modern cottage-type homes on Dewey Ave.

Filing of incorporation papers with the State Department at Albany this week consolidated St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, St. Mary's Home for Boys and St. Patrick's Home for girls.

Negotiations for the consolidation go back to Oct. 7, 1937, when the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, diocesan director, Rochester Catholic Charities met informally with the Board of Directors of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum to discuss recommendations made in the Diocesan report. These recommendations were made following a study of the child-caring services of Rochester conducted in 1937 for the survey committee of the Rochester Community Chest by Paul T. Malone. They recommended the closing of St. Joseph's plant and the consolidation of the three homes into buildings of the type now provided by St. Joseph's Villa on the former Clark estate on Dewey Ave.

Details for the purchase of the Clark Farm were handled by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. William M. Hart, who is Administrator of the diocese in November, 1937.

Approval of the entire project was given by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, after his installation as Ordinary of the Diocese of Rochester in that year.

Board Members

Members of the new Board of Directors of St. Joseph's Villa are: His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., the Rt. Rev. Mgr. William M. Hart, V.G., the Rt. Rev. Mgr. George V. Burns, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Charles F. May, the Rev. Stephen W. Auback, C.S.B., William J. Hauser, Bernard E. Finucane, the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert and the Superior of the new institution, a Sister of St. Joseph.

Work under the direction of Frank M. Quinn, architect, at the St. Joseph's Villa completed plans are to move the children immediately after graduation of St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Homes to the new institution.

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Photo by Farland
Captain Austin E. Hanna

Father Hanna Assigned To War College

Attaining a distant honor, U. S. Army Chaplain Austin E. Hanna has been transferred to the Army War College at Washington. His assignment is to be assigned there since the first World War.

Father Hanna has taken up his duties at the War College located at the junction of Annapolis River and the Washington channel of the Potomac.

The War College is in command of Lieutenant General McNeil, who is in charge of all the army's ground forces. Besides the officers stationed there, Father Hanna will have charge of the religious services for 1,400 enlisted men, half of whom are Catholics. He is the only chaplain stationed at the War College.

Chaplain Hanna was transferred from Fort Devens, Mass., where he had been serving in the Fort's Hospital.

He enlisted with the Rev. Edward J. Waters in October, 1940, and both were assigned as chaplains in the First Division. Father Waters is now stationed at Camp Manning, Florida.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Hanna of 22 Wellington Ave., Father Hanna was serving as assistant pastor of St. Aloysius Church, Auburn, at the time of his enlistment. His first appointment was to Fort Ethan Allen, Vermont. He is the nephew of the Most Rev. Edward J. Hanna, Bishop of San Francisco, now residing in Rome.

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Fr. Byrne, Maryknoll Priest, Safe In Japan

The Rev. Patrick J. Byrne, M.M., a Maryknoll Missionary, ordained in Washington some years ago, is one of three Maryknoll missionaries free in Japan, according to a news item in the May 5 edition of the Washington, D. C. Star.

The dispatch states that the fact he was free in Japan was disclosed by the Navy Department through the National Catholic Welfare Council, May 4. He has a sister, Mrs. David M. Braun of Washington. Father Byrne is superior of the Maryknoll fathers in Japan.

Father Byrne is well known in Auburn for he lived here for some time with his uncle, Henry O'Neill, at 15 Van Anden Street, and he attended the Auburn High School. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Byrne, were former Auburnians before they left to make their home in Washington, where Mr. Byrne was for many of the government book bindery several years ago.

Leading Catholic Woman Named Telephone Executive

SAN FRANCISCO.—Miss Ida C. Tierney of this city, who has just been appointed Assistant Vice-President of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, has long been prominent in Catholic activities of the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

The promotion was announced by E. R. Fowley, president of the company, in recognition of Miss Tierney's achievements in training and directing the company's women employees, who now number 24,000. In her long career with the company she has held such responsible positions as Chief of the Operators' training school, Employee Adviser, and Supervisor of Women's Health Courses.

U. S. Called To Staff World Missions Is Rally Message

"It is because we see eye to eye with Pius XII who views the world from the hill of the Vatican, that

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we wish to have the missions prosper in all parts of the world.

This was the message given 1,300 Rochester students at the Holy Mass offered by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney opening the mission rally at Our Lady of Mercy High School, May 14, by the Rev. Aloysius F. Coogan who delivered the sermon.

Bishop's Mass Opens New Retreat House

Opening outdoor Mass at the diocesan Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House, Geneva, will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney on Decoration Day, May 30 at 10 a. m.

The Very Rev. W. T. McCarty, C.S.B., Provincial of the Eastern Province of the Redemptorist Fathers will deliver the sermon.

This impressive outdoor ceremony will mark the official opening of the Retreat House of the Rochester diocese. Retreats will begin shortly thereafter and will be conducted throughout the summer and fall.

Tentative dates for retreat groups from all the parishes in the diocese have been arranged by the Cath-

olic Laymen's Retreat League of the Rochester diocese. It is announced by the Rev. John P. Murphy, C.S.B., in charge of the retreat house.

The public is invited to participate in the opening services of the diocesan retreat house, first institution of its kind to be established in the diocese where week-end retreats for the laity will be conducted as they are in other retreat houses in the country which are well-known.

Auburnians Set To Greet Monsignor Sheen Sunday

AUBURN.—The Lyceum Players of St. Mary's Church have chosen Mr. Frank J. Leach, Auburn's outstanding Catholic layman to introduce the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Fulton J. Sheen,

America's foremost Catholic radio speaker to the citizens of Auburn. The lecture which will be given this Sunday evening will commence at 8:15 in East High School Auditorium on Franklin Street.

A stringed trio consisting of piano, violin and cello will give a recital commencing at 7:30. Miss Mary Day, whose music is familiar to Auburnians, will be the pianist; Harold Henderson, director of the Auburn Community Orchestra, the violinist and Paul de Bourg is the cellist. He is a native of Syracuse. During the past season he has played with the Rochester Philhar-

monic Orchestra under Jose Iturbi and this spring played with various stringed orchestras in New York City.

The trio has been requested to render two of music lover's favorite numbers, Caesar Franck's "Panis Angelicus" and the "Ave Maria."

Gus Pine, president of the Lyceum Players, is the general chairman; Harold Bellner, chairman of arrangements; Jean Geherin, Publicity; and Gerald Conroy has been in charge of the Music Committee. Miss Isabel Stapleton was the chairman of the Ticket Committee. She was assisted by the following captains who were also assisted by a large committee: Mrs. M. Mansfield, Mrs. L. D. Reed, Mrs. George Frank, Mrs. Frederick Armstrong, Mrs. Francis Callahan, Miss Mildred Gaynor, Miss Cletus Gaynor, Miss Frances Hall, Miss Gertrude Cora, Miss Alice Quigley, Mrs. William Butler, Mrs. Joseph Barry, Mrs. J. F. Foster, Mrs. Joseph Hester, Miss Mary Agnes Brennan, Miss Elizabeth Russell, Miss Caroline Ratigan, Miss Maryrose Barron, Miss Dorothy Fitzgerald, Miss Mary Dunn, Miss Margaret Keegan, Miss Helen Stapleton, Miss Jean Geherin, Frank J. Leach, Fred H. Chase, Frank Dullea, Paul W. Myers, Andrew McLane, Frederick Armstrong, Gus Pine, John P. Grancy, Charles M. Geherin, Edwin Nolan, Helen Sullivan and Adrian Dean.

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Divorce Ban Asked By Venezuela Bishops

CARACAS, Venezuela. — During the Bishop's Conference just held here, a message was addressed to the National Congress urging that the legislators be careful in their work of revising the Civil Code making that divorce be eliminated and directing attention to the fact that instead of being restricted, divorce suits are increasing. The message protests against the sterilization of lepers who wish to marry, asks for the suppression of the article in Venezuela's Civil Code which authorizes marriage for the Catholic clergy, and asks that the civil marriage code not be drawn up in such a manner as to prove an obstacle to ecclesiastical marriage.