

# ST. PATRICK'S, Owego

## DZIOB-SKELLY WEDDING

By MARY C. BISHOPMAN

(OWEGO) A wedding charming in its simplicity was performed in St. Patrick's Church June 22 at 10 o'clock when Miss Helen Skelly, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Skelly of McMaster St. became the bride of Dr. Joseph M. Dziob of Buffalo.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Michael L. Hynes, of Woodaket, N. Y. who was ordained to the priesthood on May 30. The officiating priest is a brother of the

bridegroom. The Rev. Michael L. Hynes, pastor of St. Patrick's and the Rev. Alexander Stec, assistant pastor, were in the sanctuary. Father Dziob celebrated the nuptial Mass which followed the ceremony. Music for the wedding was furnished by Miss Mary Osterma, church organist. Miss Monica Doyle delightfully sang three solo. Her selections were Ave Maria, Heart of Jesus and O Lord, I Am Not Worthy she singing the latter hymn just before the Communion of the Mass.

Miss Mary Skelly, eldest sister of the bride was bridesmaid. Cor-

poral Frank Dziob, a brother of the bridegroom was the best man. A reception was held following the ceremony at the Colonial Inn in Tingo. It was attended by members of the immediate families and a few invited guests.

Following a short wedding trip Dr. and Mrs. Dziob will reside in Buffalo where Dr. Dziob is resident physician and surgeon at the Moses Taylor Hospital.

The bride is a graduate of St. Patrick's Parochial School, the Owego Free Academy and the Nurses Training School of the Robert Parker Hospital in Sayre, Pa. She was employed for a number of years as a nurse in the King's County Hospital in New York and for the past year has been employed in the same ca-

capacity in the Wilson Memorial Hospital in Johnson City.

### Graduation Rite

One of the largest classes in the history of St. Patrick's School was graduated from that institution on Friday night last when diplomas were presented to fifteen graduates by the Rev. Michael L. Hynes, pastor. The exercises were held in the church at 8 o'clock and were attended by a large congregation of relatives and friends of the class.

The graduates were introduced by Father Hynes, who then distributed the diplomas which had been placed in the sanctuary in a large white wicker basket the handles of which were tied with green and white ribbons, the class colors. Father Hynes was assisted by Robert Thompson, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson.

The pastor congratulated the members of the class on their achievements and for their attaining a high scholastic record during their attendance at the parochial school. He advised them to remember the many lessons taught them and the advice given them during their years at that institution and he warned them that they would find things more difficult in the high school to which they would go next Fall. He reminded them that they owed a great deal of gratitude to their parents who through sacrifice had provided them the means of obtaining a religious as well as a secular education. He called their attention also to the many sacrifices that the Sisters of Mercy had made in their behalf as their teachers during the many years.

Thomas Donnelly son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Donnelly had the distinction of obtaining the highest average in the Regents examinations. His average in all subjects was 91.75. Thomas O'Connor son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony O'Connor was a close second with an average of 89%. Young Mr. O'Connor also had the distinction of winning the diocesan spelling contest of the Rochester diocese conducted recently under the auspices of the CATHOLIC COURIER.

## Seminary Instructors In Sweden Back Anti-Nazi Stand of Norway Teachers

NEW YORK The Stockholm radio, in an English language broadcast to Europe and North America, has reported that the Swedish Seminary Teachers' Society has expressed sympathy and solicitude for the Norwegian teachers who are being punished by the Quisling Government because they, together with many clerics, have refused to teach Nazi doctrine.

The Stockholm radio said "the fight which is being waged by the Norwegian colleagues is regarded by the Swedish Teachers' Board as the defensive battle for Nordic culture." "Those who fall in this battle are looked upon by the Board as martyrs for Nordic culture," it adds. "The Board says it is convinced that it speaks for the members of the Society when it expresses its sympathy and its admiration for the personal courage and will to sacrifice which the Norwegian colleagues manifest in their defense of civil freedom."

Tioga Post American Legion, offered two prizes to the pupils of the school. One was for citizenship and was won by John McTamney son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. McTamney and the other prize was for history. The result of this examination ended in a three-way tie and the prize was divided among Thomas Donnelly, Thomas O'Connor and Mary Ellen Donnelly, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Donnelly.

Members of the class were Patricia Brown, Norma Brown, Kenneth Graham, Dorothy Barden, John McTamney, Joseph Tront, Thomas O'Connor, Helen Martin, Mary Jastremak, Loretta Sullivan, Anna Mae Vona, Catherine Ann Gardner, Mary Ellen Donnelly, Donald Quinn and Thomas Donnelly.

The exercises closed with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament given by the Rev. Alexander Stec, assistant pastor.

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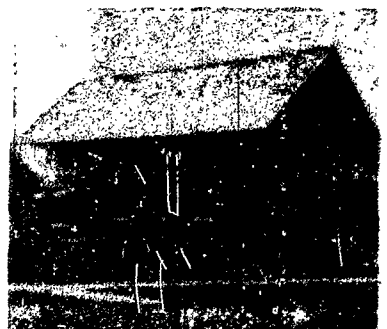
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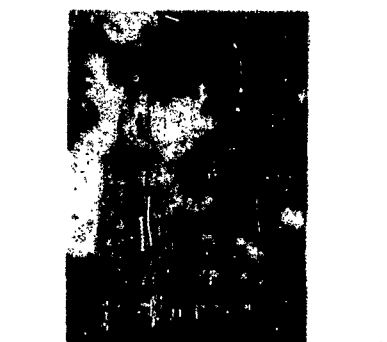
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### FR. BYRNE'S ADDRESS

ITHACA Before a background of American flags, palms, and summer flowers, 41 graduates of the Immaculate Conception School received their diplomas Friday evening, June 19 in Parish Hall.

After the introduction of each graduate to the audience by the Rev. Robert Kress, assistant pastor of the church, members of the 1942 class stepped from the platform in procession to receive their diplomas from the Rev. William Byrne, rector of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. Awards of merit to the outstanding boy and girl in the class were also presented by Father Byrne to John Geherin and Joan Webb.

**Pastor Speaks**

Following a program of vocal selections by the graduates and a cornet solo by Moses Sherman of Ithaca College, who also directed the singing, and accompaniments by Miss Alice Zimmerman, Father Byrne gave the commencement address. "This event," he said, "is one of great rejoicing for graduates, he said, because it is the event for which they have been preparing and looking forward to for a number of years, and it means they have completed the first big step in their education. It is one of rejoicing for the teachers, he added, because they have seen these young people succeed to this graduation through the giving of time and effort on the part of the teachers. It is especially one of rejoicing for the parents, he continued, because they now look back on the years of training which they have given these young people, and have seen that their sacrifices have not been in vain.

"However," Father Byrne said "on an occasion of this kind, we ought to give these graduates an idea of the seriousness of the world situation today, and yet instill in their hearts the spirit of patriotism and love for their country." Every citizen, he added, should pledge himself to prosecute this war. None are worthy of enjoying freedom unless they are willing to carry this trouble to a successful conclusion. "It ill benefits us who are at home," Father Byrne pointed out, "to sit idly by and say only why there should be no war. We might better follow the example of Cardinal Mercier of the last World War, and give rather,

encouragement and words of cheer to those young men who have gone off to fight for our freedom."

**Sacrifice Only Road**

All should take things as they are, he continued and resolve to step forward to the work ahead with determination and sacrifice. "For," he pointed out, "the road of suffering is the only road which leads to certain glory."

"This nation," Father Byrne asserted, "because of the storm and suffering it now endures, will arise greater, purer, and more glorious than before, and mankind, too, will be greater, purer, and better. It will be a new birth of freedom."

In the new birth, the creation of the new role for mankind, Father Byrne continued, these boys and girls who are graduating tonight will have an important part—the part of converting unfaithful people into a better brand of Christianity they will be the apostles of a new freedom, that of freedom from sin.

"They must lay before the world the simple truth," the pastor added. And that truth, he said, is to set before the world the fundamental truths of the Christian religion. They have had the advantages of a Christian education, and the least that may be expected of them is that they live as Christian men and women, with high aims and noble aspirations. "Do what is right," Father Byrne concluded, "and life will be a success, even though you may die in poverty and obscurity."

The exercises concluded with the singing of "Christus Vincit," by the graduates.

### School Holds Picnic

A joint picnic for the Sisters and members of the graduating class of the Parochial School was held Wednesday afternoon, June 17, in Stewart Park.

Mrs. M. Harry Teweey and Mrs. Pauline Moore were co-chairmen. Games for both the Sisters and graduates were led by Rev. Robert Kress and Rev. Gerard Gefell. Refreshments were served in the dance hall at the park.

### Red Cross Work

Women of the Church of the Immaculate Conception will do Red Cross work from 2 to 4:30 p. m. on Thursdays at the Red Cross Headquarters.

Those attending are asked to bring needles, thimbles and shears.