

### Community Leadership Urged On Rural Pastor

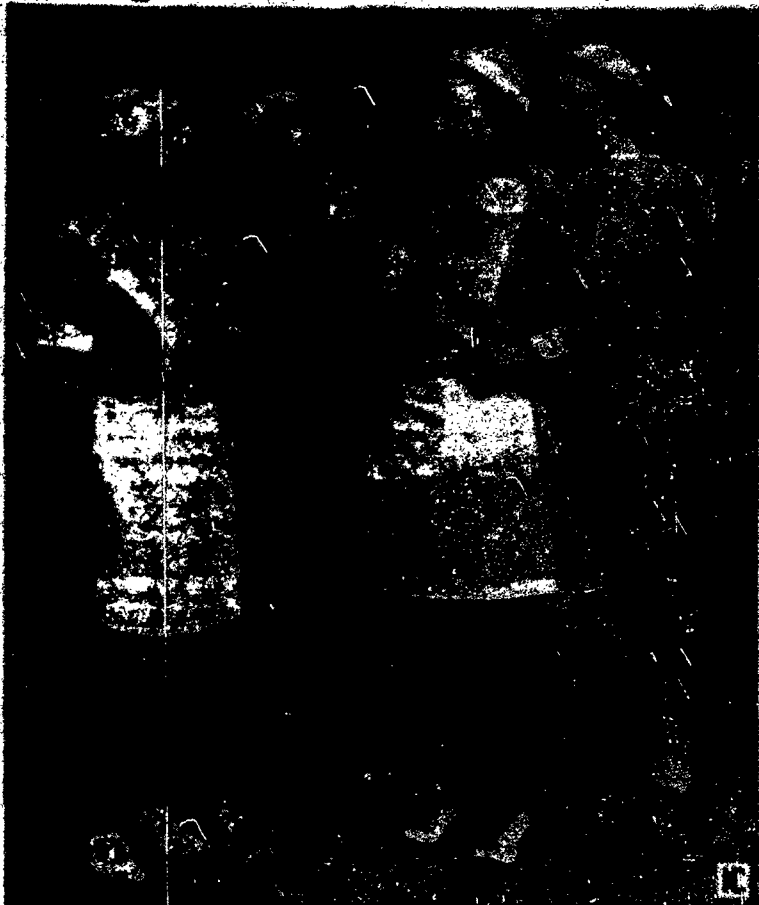
ST. LOUIS. The value of active leadership on the part of rural pastors not merely in parish life but in the life of the whole community was stressed by two priests at the Rural Life Institute held at St. Louis University under the auspices of the National Catholic Rural Life Conference.

The Rev. George Nell, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Effingham, Ill., said that when he assumed his pastorate the rural congregation was in such a financial condition that the people could afford nothing but the bare necessities of a low standard of living.

Community discussions in which Father Nell took an active part led to practical programs for improvement and the area is now one of the best livestock producing communities in the State, he said. Father Nell has won national recognition for his organization of cooperatives in his rural parish.

Pastors can assume leadership in bringing the benefits of existing agencies to their rural communities, it was stressed by the Rev. George J. Hildner, pastor of St. John's Church, Gildersham, Mo. Delegates to the institute were guests of Father Hildner at his model rural parish.

### Complete 'V' Canteen Course



Receiving the aprons, caps, and Red Cross insignia are these women who recently completed a five-weeks' nutrition and canteen course at Marygrove College, Detroit, under joint auspices of the college and the local chapter of the American Red Cross. Serving lunches to summer school students at the college was part of the program in which 50 women took part. (N.C.W.C.)

### Chaplain's Message Feature Of Elmira K. of C. Paper

Featuring the report that a note for \$5,000 at the Chemung Canal Trust Company had been paid in full, the current edition of the K. of C. News published by Elmira Council,

Knights of Columbus has made its appearance. The note was taken out to pay for alterations at Columbus Center at the time of purchase of the present property.

A message from the Council Chaplain, the Rev. Bernard C. Hanna whose photo with that of Grand Knight Basil J. Vaillancourt appears on the front page is featured also in the edition. K. of C. Needed Today.

Father Hanna states in part: "With the world in a muddled condition—who can predict the future?—with the course of our lives being changed daily, with the powers of evil threatening and menacing our very liberties, especially that of religious freedom, today, we, as Catholics, have all the more need of a Catholic laymen's organization such as the Knights of Columbus."

"While we are powerful as a Church, all the more powerful is that Church when she has men grouped together, united, to fight her cause. Pius XII, of happy memory, once referred to the Knights of Columbus as his 'good right arm in America.' Well earned was this honorable title given to our organization."

"Let us strive that the present Pontiff, Pius XII, will call us 'his good right and left arm in America.' Just as our allies are looking to us for aid and help to win this present war, so, I am sure, the present reigning Pontiff is looking to the Catholic manhood of America to protect the Church and her ideals here."

Attention is called in the edition to the coming Fourth Degree ex-emplication in Elmira on Sunday, Sept. 27 when His Excellency, Bishop Kearney will be present and take part in the Degree. Former Chaplain Landed.

Prominent space is given to a photograph and story on the Rev. Raymond G. Heisel, retiring Council Chaplain who was transferred to St. Anne's Church, Rochester. The Council extended deep appreciation to Father Heisel.

Appointments by Grand Knight Vaillancourt are listed as follows: Chaplain, the Rev. Bernard C. Hanna; Lecturer, Eugene F. Agan; Organist, James L. Tunney; Committee Chairman: Finance, Henry P. Farrell; Membership, Thomas J. Hanson; House, Richard J. Moxley; Sick, Edward C. J. Marks; Bowling, Marvin Johnson; Pool and Billiards, Samuel Mofie; Cards, Dennis H. Denahue; Mortgages Committee, Rt. Rev. Mgr. John J. Lee, V.P., honorary chairman; John T. Nugent and Basil J. Vaillancourt, co-chairmen. The Council picnic is announced.

for Sunday, Aug. 2, at Cold Brook Club with Recorder Eddie McGinn as chairman.

Activities of the past year are reviewed and a statement made by the outgoing administration signed by John T. Nugent.

Editor of the K. of C. News is C. J. Milliken; associate editor, J. E. Walters and business manager, C. J. Curtis.

### Elmira Weddings

Headland - Gray. Miss Margaret Anna Gray, daughter of Charles H. Gray, 407 St. Thurston St. and the late Mrs. Margaret A. Gray, and Robert Frank Howland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren T. Howland, 300 Bridgman St. were married Saturday, July 18, 1942 by the Rev. Theodore Winterroth in St. John the Baptist Church.

Attending the bride was Miss Catherine Dunkle, Francis F. Collins was the best man.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the Gray home for about 65 guests.

The bride attended the Edgeworth School and the Southside High School in Elmira, and the College of Home Economics, Delhi, N. Y.

Mr. Howland went to School 5, the Academy and the Elmira Aviation Ground School. He is now with the Schwesler Aircraft Corp., Elmira Heights.

The couple left for a trip to Buffalo, after which they will live in Elmira.

### MARSEILLE CELEBRATES IN TRADITIONAL MANNER

MARSEILLE. — Marseille celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart in its special and traditional manner. In fulfillment of a vow made in 1720, when the city was plague-ridden, annually the municipal authorities present a large white candle to the Bishop of Marseille.

The Most Rev. Jean Delay, Bishop of Marseille, in receiving the customary gift, said: "No mortal epidemic threatens our city, but even into the calm of the cloister comes the plaint of our wounded, humiliated, impoverished country, separated from her sons and her empire. May the memory of the trials of 1720 help us not to despair because of present trials."

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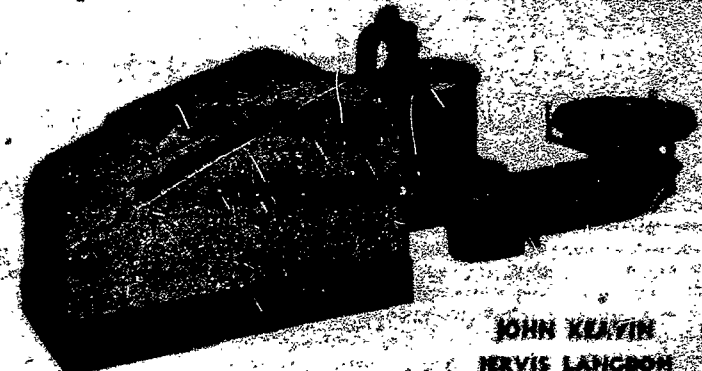
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