

BRITISH POLICEMAN SWIMS ACROSS SEA OF GALILEE

JERUSALEM.—A British police sergeant has just performed the remarkable and perhaps unprecedented feat of swimming across the Sea of Galilee. Starting from Tiberias on the western shore, the officer covered the five-mile distance to the other side in five and a half hours.

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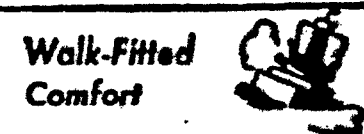
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SS. Peter & Paul's (Elmira)

NEW HOLY NAME OFFICERS

By MADALYN CLUNE

At a meeting held Sunday afternoon, the Holy Name Society elected its new officers for the year 1943. Retiring President James Maylan presided for the elections, and the following were elected: President, William Bennett; Vice-President, John T. Clark, Sr.; Secretary, Robert Symonds, and Treasurer, Rev. Leslie Whalen.

Responding to the request of the Bishop to enroll new members, the Holy Name Society received 23 new members into its ranks. The new members attended a Holy Hour with the Society, under the direction of Rev. Stephen Swaneey, C. P. After the Holy Hour they were formally enrolled in the Society.

Mr. Maylan briefly touched on the outstanding events of the past

year, and expressed his appreciation for the cooperation of the men. The Holy Name Society had a Father and Son's Banquet, at which Rev. Philip McGowan was the guest speaker. During the summer the Society sponsored a parish picnic at Grand Park. It also donated to the Church two flags, one American, and the other Papal, to be placed at a Shrine for the young people of the parish who are in the armed forces.

President Bennett's first act was to appoint a committee, to be in charge of the distribution of the Christmas Baskets. It has been the custom for some years for the Society to give baskets to those of the parish who might need and appreciate them.

John McEligott was re-elected chairman of the committee, assisted by Harold Young, Howard Duffy, William McCarthy, William Connolly, Paul Kelly, John Malinski, and Frank O'Don.

St. John the Baptist (Elmira)

Children's Christmas Party

By MARGARET C. KENNDY

Next Sunday afternoon at 3:30, a Christmas party will be held for the children of St. John the Baptist Church.

A Christmas play will be presented by the children, depicting the scenes that unfolded from the time our Blessed Lady received a heavenly visitor in her home at Nazareth, until the visit of the wise men at the manger. Special costumes have been designed and executed for the Virgin Mother, the Angel Gabriel, the shepherds and wise men.

Following the Christmas play, a special group of children will

present Romberg's Toy Symphony, with Mrs. John Bacon rendering a piano solo.

Presents will be distributed and refreshments will be served. All the adult members of the parish are cordially invited to be present to participate in the Christmas party, together with the children.

Altar Society Party

The members of the Altar Society will hold their annual Christmas party Monday evening in the Church Hall. Each member is asked to bring a gift. Refreshments will be served by the committee, of which Miss Agnes Z-back is chairman.

St. Casimir's Parish (Elmira)

WANDA CIRCLE PARTY

The annual Christmas party for the ladies of the Wanda Circle in St. Casimir's Parish will be held on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 3:30 P. M. in the Mark Twain Hotel.

The Rev. Ladislaus J. Scaspan-ski, pastor of St. Casimir's Church, will act as toastmaster. Present at the speakers' table will be the Rev. John E. Cielesinski, assistant pastor, President Mrs. John Lepkowski, Past Presidents Mrs. Frank Dziniski, Mrs. Jesse Apenowicz, Mrs. Stanley Levanduski, and also Mrs. John Cloke, and Mrs. Joseph Ranewicz.

Election of officers will take place, and there will be an exchange of gifts. Mrs. Stanley Garsinski will conduct the music. Harold Hart, schoolboy of St. Casi-

mir's Parish, will offer piano selections and some magician's tricks.

General chairman is Mrs. John Lepkowski; Dinner Committee, Mrs. Frank Dziniski, Mrs. John Cloke; Reservations, Mrs. Joseph Ranewicz.

Graduate with Honor

Stanley P. Jurusk of Hillcrest Rd. was graduated from Hobart College summa cum laude, having received his B. S. degree on Monday, Dec. 13 at the annual commencement.

Mr. Jurusk was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and was a department honor in mathematics.

At Spokane

Cpl. Stanley Paluskiewicz, son of Albert Paluskiewicz, 1155 Magee St., is stationed at Gieger Field, Spokane, Wash.

Our Lady of Lourdes (Elmira)

CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas party will be held for the public school children who attend Catechism instructions on Monday, Dec. 20 in the church hall. A Christmas tree and all the traditional Christmas fixings are promised.

Christmas Masses

Schedule of Masses on Christmas Day is as follows: Midnight Mass, 7, 8, 9, 10:30, and 12:15.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CAMPAIGN TO BUY PLANE FOR U. S. AIR FORCES

MANCHESTER, N. H.—Through the efforts of two seniors at St. Joseph's High School here, the United States air forces are likely to receive a new combat plane bearing the name of the school, some day in the summer of 1943.

A goal of \$75,000 has been set to be raised among 310 students and their families in a campaign launched by John Maculievicius and Leonard P. Keane.

Their first drive was to sell enough war stamps to purchase a \$1,000 reconnaissance car as a Christmas gift for the armed forces. By Nov. 18 this quota had been reached, and the following day, before a new goal could be announced, another \$1,000 in bonds had been sold.

By Thanksgiving Day, when the campaign was only 50 days old, a total of \$11,318 in bonds had been purchased. The youthful salesmen immediately announced the \$75,000 combat plane drive for the winter and spring months.

Churches Of Norway Receive No Fuel

WASHINGTON—Those churches in Norway which are not equipped for electric heating are receiving no fuel this winter, according to a dispatch received by the Royal Norwegian Information Service here.

This, it was stated, is an "obvious attempt" by Quisling authorities to discourage church attendance in reprisal against the anti-Quisling stand of the overwhelming majority of Norwegian clergymen.

The campaign to enlist Nazi-minded men for the ministry to replace clergymen who resigned their State-granted offices is meeting with failure, the dispatch stated, adding that of 220 who recently completed their theological training only four agreed to be ordained by Quisling-appointed bishops.

Design For Altar

LONDON.—The Italian Royal Academy has offered a prize of 20,000 lire for the best design for an altar of St. Catherine of Siena for the Church of St. Mary of the Angels, Rome.

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