

CDA Receives Five New Members in Elmira

Reception of Candidates into Court St. Rita 137, Catholic Daughters of America, took place on Thursday, Dec. 17 at 8 P. M. in the court rooms. The following women were received: Mrs. Mary C. Caruso, Mrs. Florence Collins, Mrs. Florence H. ...

Christmas Masses At Midnight Set in Corning Churches

CORNING - Midnight Mass will be celebrated in each of the three local Catholic Churches on Christmas Eve. Masses for Christmas Day will be as follows: St. Mary's - 6:15 A. M., 7 A. M., 8:30 A. M., 10:30 A. M., 12:15 P. M., St. Patrick's - 7 A. M., 8:30 A. M., 10:30 A. M., 12:15 P. M., St. Vincent de Paul - 6 A. M., 7 A. M., 9 A. M., and 10 A. M.

Mrs. Edward Shelley, grand Regent at Addison, acted as organist. A committee meeting will be held Monday evening, Dec. 20 in the court rooms on E. Church St.

PROVING THAT SERVICEMEN SHOP EARLY



Christmas mail wrapping for servicemen kept eight senior hostesses busy at the NCCS-operated USO Club in Seattle, where everything was provided free of charge, including the fancy ribbons, tissue, seals, boxes and addressing. Pictured with one of the hostesses, bound for the postoffice, are some of the servicemen with a few of the day's packages. (N.C.W.C.)

THE MARK TWAIN HOTEL

offers its sincere Good Wishes for a Happy Holiday and a Glad New Year

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To All of You—

May you have the gladness of Christmas which is HOPE, The Spirit of Christmas which is PEACE, The heart of Christmas which is LOVE and GOODWILL.

And may we take this opportunity to thank you for your patronage this Christmas season and to say that we hope we will serve you for many, many Christmas seasons to come!

K. of C. Christmas Dance Set Dec. 26; New Officers Named

The annual Christmas Dinner Dance of the Elmira Council Knights of Columbus will be held on Saturday, Dec. 26 at the Mark Twain Hotel. Music for the dancing will be provided by Ruth Cameron and her Mark Twain Hotel Orchestra from 9:30 to 1:30. Dinner will be served from 7 P. M. to 9, with music provided by Miss Loretta Ryan at the organ.

Co-chairmen for the affair are Robert L. Pautz and Thomas R. Burns. The reception committee consists of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Nugent, Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. James W. McGill, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. J. Marks, Mr. and Mrs. George Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kromer, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Laughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Gradwell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. John Canzoneri, Mr. and Mrs. Justin F. Romasser, Mr. and Mrs. Francis F. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Backus, Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. David Vincent Sheehan, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhode, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Moylan, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony B. Chert.

NEW OFFICERS Effective as of Dec. 1 Francis F. O'Brien assumed the office of Financial Secretary of the Council. John T. Nugent, succeeds as treasurer.

GRAND KNIGHT'S MESSAGE As the Holy season of Christmas approaches, I wish to take this opportunity of sending my sincere best wishes to each and every member of Elmira Council for a very merry Christmas and a fervent hope for the coming New Year that Almighty God will continue to bestow upon us, all the graces and blessing of the past. In particular, to the Brothers of our Council who are engaged in the Armed Forces of our Country. I send these greetings and the assurance that the vigil light in Columbus Centre will continue to burn in silent supplication to the Sacred Heart and our Blessed Mother for your safe and victorious return at an early date.

Sincerely and Fraternally, Basil J. Vallancourt, Grand Knight.

Friction between people slows up more work than friction in machines. Gabriel Heiler.

Music At Christmas

The solemnity of the Feast of the Nativity will be increased by the special music to be sung by choirs of Elmira Deanery Churches. Programs sent in for publication appear in the Parish News and as follows:

- ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, ELMIRA. Rev. William J. Brien, Pastor. The Feast of Christmas will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church with a Solemn High Mass at Midnight Christmas Eve. The Boys' Choir will broadcast the Christmas Carols from the Church Tower. The Pastor Rev. William J. Brien, will be celebrant. The music for the Mass will be sung by the two choirs of the Church as follows: Midnight Mass—Solemn High Mass Christmas Carols Boys' Choir Introit Dominus Dixit Gregorian Boys' Choir Kyrie and Gloria Mass in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Adult Choir Graduale Tecum Principium Tozer Boys' Choir Credo III 17th Century Melody Male Voices Offertory Laetentur Coeli Tozer Boys' Choir Supplementary Offertory Adorate Fidelis Novella Adult Choir Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei Mass in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Syre Adult Choir Communion In Splendoribus Tozer Boys' Choir Recessional Holy God Traditional Choirs and Congregation 9:00 o'clock Mass—Sung by Boys' Choir Introit Lux Fulgebit Hodie Tozer Kyrie and Gloria—Mass in E Flat DelCampiglio Graduale Benedictus Qui Venit in Nomine Tozer Credo III 17th Century Offertory Deus Enim Firmavit Tozer Supplementary Offertory—Jesu Redemptor Ravanello Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei—Mass in E Flat Campiglio Communion Exultate Filii Sion Tozer 11:00 o'clock Mass—Sung by Boys' Choir (Same as above) Introit—Puer Natus Est Tozer Graduale—Viderunt Omnes Fines Tozer Offertorium—Tui Sunt Coeli et Tui Graduale—Viderunt Omnes Fines Terrarum Tozer

Corning Officer Held in Japan

CORNING: Word has been received in Corning that Lt. Col. Edwin H. Bowen, who has been reported missing for many months, is a prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippines. The officer, who formerly resided in Corning, is a nephew of Mrs. Teresa Argue, 9 W. First St., this city.

CDA Plans Tea In January

CORNING. The December social meeting of Court St. Joseph 133, Catholic Daughters of America, has been cancelled and plans were made for a tea to be held early in January at a recent business meeting of the Court. Miss Margaret Barrett, grand regent, who presided, read a letter from Negro missions in the South and it was decided to forward clothing there, where it is so badly needed. Mrs. Walter Steele, chairman of charity work gave a report of Thanksgiving activities. It was also decided to make a donation to the National Council of Catholic Men to be used in the sponsoring of their Sunday evening radio program, the Catholic Hour.

In this world, blind and sordid as it is, character counts for more than wealth or fashionable notoriety.