

New Guinea Missionaries Safe, Maier Family Hears

Comforting information for relatives of Society of the Divine Word missionaries in New Guinea, one of whom is Sister M. Theophane nee Inez Maier of Rochester, was received this week from the Rev. Father Hagopiel, S.V.D., mission priest at Teigny, N.G.

Sister Theophane is at St. Michael's mission in New Guinea. The letter from the Mission Procurator was sent to her brothers, Rufus Girard and Raymond Maier in Rochester.

Father Hagopiel quotes from a letter received from Father Arthur Manion, a missionary of the Society of the Divine Word. The letter written from Koruru, Wauwak, T.N.G., and dated Dec. 9, 1940 was addressed to his mother.

In his letter Father Manion states:

"Don't think we have been much affected. The nearest I got to this was today when I contracted two gasoline tanks, one from an American and the other from a Japanese plane.

"The two tanks had floated to one of our shores from a scene

perhaps 1000 miles away... New Guinea is still virgin forest; happenings 100 miles distant little disturb of interest one... As far as the Mission is concerned, I might say we are having business as usual.

"My letter is the only one getting out this late as I am at the source, and before I can send word around, months may go by. So please send word to Teigny that all of us are well and getting strong—priest, Brothers and Sisters, and that the respective families should be notified accordingly."

Father Hagopiel concludes his letter by saying: "We can only continue to pray for our missionaries that the Divine Master may protect them in these trying times. Upon receipt of any further news items from New Guinea, we shall inform you."



CATHOLIC COURIER Staff Photo
CIVIC MUSIC for Rochester is the concern of these campaign leaders of the Rochester Civic Music Association. Planning a campaign for Feb. 12 to 23 see John D. Roche, (left) publicity chairman and Bernard E. Finucane, Association president. Campaign goal is \$84,200.

SODALTALK

Sodalists, here's a date worth making. Rev. Benedict Elmahn will conduct a Day of Accolition on Sunday, March 11, at Corpus Christi Church from 1:30 to 3:00. It should be an unwritten law of every Sodalist to make an annual retreat of some kind. It provides a golden opportunity to "house-clean" the past and make plans for a real Sodality life. Mark your calendar now so that nothing will interfere with this very important function.

In order to suggest a division for Vocation Week, March 14 to 20, the Sodality Union is sponsoring a poster contest. Any and all Rochester Sodalists are eligible. The poster must portray some idea of vocations. The deadline for this contest has been set for the March Union meeting.

Thursday, Feb. 11, marks the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. This day should have a special meaning to members of the Sodality as should all feasts of Our Lady. Wouldn't Mass and Holy Communion make a beautiful gift for her?

A typical Sodality wedding took place at St. Patrick's Church on Saturday, Jan. 30 Assunta Alletto, a charter member of the organization, took her vows with two Sodalists as attendants. Before the wedding, the bride carried a bouquet of white roses to Our Lady's altar, and placed them before her. She then renewed her Act of Consecration. Sodalists who attended received Holy Communion in a body with the bridal group.

How many Sodalists ever pictured Our Lady in Social Life? If

you have never done so, this is your chance. A prize will be offered for the Sodality who writes the best composition on the subject. All Sodalists who live up to their promises will be able to enter this contest for what else should one have to do but write an autobiography of her own life.

The Sodality of Our Lady of Grace of St. Lucy's Parish announces the opening of a Victory Novena, Feb. 10. This devotion is under the special patronage of Our Lady of Victory and will be held every Wednesday evening, 8 to 8:30 for the duration. Special feature of the novena will be the "Selection of Names Ceremony," consisting of the drawing of three names from a box containing all the names of the boys of the parish serving in the Armed Services of their country. After each person's name is selected and read, a candle is lighted at the shrine of Our Lady, and a prayer is said in his honor. Special hymns in honor of Our Lady will be sung by two choirs of Sodalists, one in the choir and one in the body of the church. The latter will endeavor to encourage the congregation in community singing. After much planning, prayer and publicity, the Sodalists of St. Lucy's Parish look for a well attended novena service.

'Minute Man' Flag Awarded To Mercy High School

Certificate of award has reached Our Lady of Mercy High from the U. S. Treasury department this week entitling the school authorities to fly the "Minute Man" flag on the school flagpole because over 80 per cent of the student body are purchasing War Bonds and Stamps monthly at the Stamp Booth in the school.

Presentation of the flag will be made by the Rev. John M. Duffy to Arline Eagan, President of the S.G.A., Tuesday at a Bill of Rights Assembly.

Community Service insignias will be awarded at the assembly to the student members of the Victory Corps who qualify for such distinction after registering the hours spent in actual community work and war relief.

Besides patriotic singing and a movie on Democracy, Grace Debertin, senior, will give an address on "America's Heritage."

Notre Dame Graduates First Navy Class

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Twelve hundred ensigns received diplomas and commissions at the first Navy graduation in the century-old history of the University of Notre Dame. Rear Admiral John Downes, commandant of the Ninth Naval District presented diplomas and commissions and addressed the graduates.

"The unusual and phenomenal are expected from you," Admiral Downes told the graduates in urging them to continue their studies.

Second Grade: William Keenan, Laurence Labrade, Frank Leno, Martin Martindale, Nancy Merker, Christine Valvo.

Third Grade: James Bourque, Barbara Dalton, George Coctas, Raymond Minsh.

Mersey Students To Give Recital

The music pupils of Our Lady of Mercy High School, under the direction of Sister M. Alexius, will hold their annual musical on Friday afternoon, Feb. 12, at 2:15 o'clock.

Highlights of the afternoon's program will be organ solos by Marie Stock and Rosemary Kramer, and selections by a brass double quartet. Members of this newly formed group include Marion Haszlaue, Mary Flaherty, Loris Allen, Kathleen Flaherty, Janet Canfield, Geralline Hempel, Virginia Shea and Helen LeFrois. They will be accompanied by Annette Mattie and Elaine Kaib.

A piano duo for eight hands will be given by Janet Storzini, Gwendolyn Schaefer, Joyce Harris and Dorothy Florack. Other piano duos will be given by Clara Mae Hill and Mary Hobert, Joyce Harris and Dorothy Florack, Mary Englert and Ruth Hyde, Rosemary Sullivan and Betsy Schlesinger, Jane Spindler and Rosemary Kramer, Mary Stock and Mary Crociata, Catherine Clark and Ann Masciarelli.

Others on the program include Marion and Lisette O'Brien, Eleanor Paulina, Josephine Lombardo, Ann Lennon and Paula Spearman.

Launch \$84,000 Drive For Civic Music

"This year, for very sound reasons, we believe that music is more essential than ever to provide relaxation and inspiration," Campaign Chairman L. Dudley Field states in keynoting the annual maintenance fund campaign for the Rochester Civic Music Association opening Feb. 12.

Goal of this year's campaign is \$84,200. The campaign will continue until Feb. 23.

Leading encouragement to the drive is His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, Bernard E. Finucane, president of the Rochester Civic Music Association is backing Chairman Field and the campaigners who will launch the campaign on the stage of Eganman Theater at a dinner Friday night, Feb. 12.

Chairman of the Women's Division is Mrs. F. Hawley Ward and Mrs. Laurence W. Zeveloff is chairman of the Suburban committee. Edward Barrow is chairman of special gifts and John D. Roche of H. Forman Co. heads the publicity committee.

In his keynote address Chairman Fields further states:

"If we could not have the spiritual uplift of religion, good books and good music in such times as these, the physical and emotional stresses would become almost unbearable."

During Music Week Feb. 14 to Feb. 21 the Rochester Civic Orchestra will broadcast on a 3-way radio hook-up.

Mt. Morris School Lists Honor Roll

The honor roll of St. Patrick's School Mt. Morris, for the month of January, has just been announced. The following students merited this listing:

- Second Grade: Joseph Richter, Guisto LaBarbara, Donna George, Linda Jeanne Winters, Rita DiGirola.
- Third Grade: Diane Barnard, Paul George, Ruth Teitsworth, Mary Kathryn Winters.
- Fourth Grade: Joseph Graf, Samuel Gallo, Daniel Meyers, Rosemary Masten, Maurcen Smith.
- Fifth Grade: James Reynolds, Ruth Donovan, Margaret Chibchester, Margaret Macchirella, Catherine Ann Canlon.
- Sixth Grade: Willard Brooks, Jerry Hall, Rose Bozette, Louise Gallo, Teresa Macchirella.
- Seventh Grade: Thomas Jane, Thomas Conlon, Nancy Donovan, Anne Teitsworth.
- Eighth Grade: Elaine Hall, Joan Teitsworth.

Swiss People Elect Catholic President

BERNE, Switzerland. — Dr. Enrico Celio, newly-elected President of the Swiss Confederation, is a Catholic and he succeeds another Catholic, M. Philippe Litter, who served two terms.

A resident of Canton Ticino, Dr. Celio is 53 years of age. He is a lawyer and for several years was editor of the newspaper *Popolo e Libertà*. He is an accomplished organizer.

AT AQUINAS INSTITUTE

By John M. Hadden
 Aquinas—30
 Spencerport—27

The Irish basketball invaded Spencerport last Friday evening and unleashed another victorious offensive. Spurred on by Kohlman and Culhane, who totaled 11 and 12 points, respectively, Aquinas held the lead all the way. Don Diehl boosted the score with five two-pointers. The scoring for the opponents was led by Ted Feunire with a total of 12.

Victory Dance Held

Aquinas held its second "Victory" dance at the year last Saturday evening in the school gymnasium. Music for the affair was furnished by the "Maroon and White Swingsters," the school's own swing band. The dance was a great success, and proceeds will be used to publish a special school paper which will be sent to all Aquinas graduates who are now in the armed forces.

The school also plans to erect a plaque in front of the building, which will have engraved upon it the names of all Aquinas Service Men.

Bowling

CATHOLIC LEAGUE

Corpus Christi	St. Boniface No. 2
Plattner 217 214 188	Detwiler 168 167 220
Granger 184 185 123	Anderson 158 147 174
McLary 168 181 162	Steger 288 155 151
Hollman 127 152 181	Goodrich 122 183 124
Nierthaus 177 142 171	Johansen 146 181 171
Totals 242 204 257	Totals 216 211 219
O. L. P. M. E. R. E. A. A. No. 1	
Reynolds 174 161 173	Korced 231 174 188
Griffiths 155 159 127	Dwyer 179 127 180
Mize 115 123 151	Meadell 122 181 124
Anon 148 150 140	Shelton 148 138 187
Fors 121 161 170	Sivels 206 188 214
+ 67 42 42	
Totals 227 217 241	Totals 204 243 233
Holy Aquinas	St. Boniface No. 1
Ward 155 145 172	McBride 213 184 169
McMahon 124 122 191	McBarr 129 113 157
Boyle 110 123 173	Waters 121 113 154
Quarter 129 141 129	Frank 125 123 189
Schultz 202 143 174	Moore 124 127 142
+ 12 12 12	
Totals 212 203 240	Totals 247 201 240
Holy Family No. 2	St. Michael's
Ward 171 171 113	Roberts 222 152 192
Ward 158 128 129	Wood 144 182
Schmick 177 153 183	McNeil 213 113 111
Schmick 126 157 184	Hansen 124 153 181
Keely 200 153 175	Meyer 184 173 203
+ 15 15 15	Lawson 221
Totals 214 245 204	Totals 164 200 244
H. R. A. A. No. 2	H. R. N. E.
Ward 187 115 165	McBride 119 143 203
Heenan 124 179 182	Leubach 126 126 120
Johansen 127 156 181	Green 121 113 154
Waters 125 149 129	Irwin 129 125 167
Wals 124 177 162	Plattner 221 193 167
+ 22 22 22	
Total 222 227 247	Totals 231 223 239
Holy Family No. 1	St. John's Green 2
Ward 119 124 121	Boydson 124 126 120
Voy 119 156 167	Boeckert 187 181 173
MacLure 148 123 173	O'Dea 129 146 143
Frank 183 140 221	McGrath 123 121 223
St. John 129 172 221	Perkins 166 180 170
+ 6 6 6	
Totals 259 221 242	Totals 617 250 251
St. John's, Rock.	St. John's Green 2
Thomas 124 124 148	O'Neil 122 114 144
Brecker 121 149 197	Drake 121 114 144
Leo 188 142 167	Master 182 124 176
Winterth 143 200 162	LaFare 123 126 126
Call 143 161 224	Ernst 127 127 200
+ 74 74 74	
Totals 258 243 245	Totals 724 269 260

FINE ARTS FOUNDATION IS GIFT OF BENEFACTOR

NOTRE DAME, Ind. — Establishment of the O'Shaughnessy Fine Arts Foundation in the College of Arts and Letters of the University of Notre Dame, has been announced by the Very Rev. Hugh O'Donnell, C.S.C., university president. The foundation was made possible through a gift of \$100,000 received shortly after Christmas from I. A. O'Shaughnessy of St. Paul.

The O'Shaughnessy Foundation, Father O'Donnell said, becomes a part of Notre Dame's plan, carried out through the cooperation of friends and benefactors, to strengthen the College of Arts and Letters in the face of the growing wartime tendency toward purely technical and vocational aspects of higher education. Mr. O'Shaughnessy, a graduate of St. Thomas College, has been active in the oil business for many years and currently is serving on the Petroleum Industry War Council.

Two Frescoes Found

LONDON. — Two frescoes picturing the Evangelists St. Matthew and Luke, dating back to the early French Renaissance, have been discovered in the Church of St. Catherine, Avignon, France. It was reported here by KAP, the Polish Catholic press agency.