

Eight Novices Receive Sisters Of Mercy Habits

The ceremony of the reception of the habit in the congregation of the Sisters of Mercy of 8 young women took place last Saturday at St. John the Evangelist Church, with His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, officiating.

Following the impressive ceremony of the interrogation of the candidates and blessing of the habits the prospective novices reentered the church clothed in their religious habit.

After Mass the Bishop addressed the newly received and the vast assembly of people. He stressed the point that in the Lord's army of workers there were no drafted members; the service was all voluntary. Among other things His Excellency mentioned the parents of the novices, how singularly blessed were their homes to have one of their members selected for service in our Lord's army.

The newly received were Rita Paveza from St. Augustine's, Sister M. Borzeman; Marian Hyland, St. Michael's parish, Sister M. Ey-

ward; Audrey Rothenbrock, Holy Cross parish, Sister M. Thadden; Lorraine Masucci, St. Ambrose's; Sister M. Cephas; Shirley Collins, St. John the Evangelist, Sister M. Catherine; Patricia Switzer, St. Monica's; Sister Joseph Mary, and Mary Wilson, Holy Family, Auburn, N. Y.; Sister M. Brendan Dorothy Loeb, St. Andrew's, Sister M. Claude.

In the sanctuary were Rev. Paul J. Smyth, Rev. Lawrence B. Sawyer, Rev. Arthur P. Florack, Rev. George W. Kohl, Rev. Frank W. Mason, Rev. Benedict Rhmann, Rev. Francis Keoney, Rev. Harold Friedman, S. J., Buffalo; Rev. John J. Sullivan, Rev. Joseph Maloney, Rev. John O'Leary, Rev. John B. Kleinsider, Rev. William Lemmers, Rev. Edward Shamon, Rev. Paul Wehrich.



MOTHERS' CLUB of St. Alphonsus Church, Auburn, enjoyed its annual banquet in Hotel Osborne. Pictured at the banquet are: Standing (from left) Irene Burn, chairman; Marie Richards, publicity chairman; Gertrude Shuman, president; Barbara Campbell, secretary; Evelyn Matthews, treasurer. Seated (from left) Rev. Gerald Fischer, pastor; Rev. Walter Fischer, principal speaker; Rev. Gerard Amann.

SODAL TALK

UNION MEETING
Regular monthly meeting of Rochester Sodality Union will be held at Sacred Heart school hall.

Women Working For Victory

"Today the big news in America is this: Women are working for victory! To our brave armies of fighting men we add the women who first helped release them for combat duty, and who now are helping them to maintain and win their fight... the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, 2nd Officer Helen J. Gresham, WAAC, of Federal Heights, said today in explaining the purpose and the work of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

"This is a war in which women can and must take part. The fight for democracy is total. America's women as well as her men must now do their part. There are many opportunities for women in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. There is interesting work that women can do as well as, and sometimes better than, men.

"Through the WAAC women can find the place where their skill and knowledge will be of most use in the war. After a five-week basic training period, the WAAC assigns women to non-combatant duties in the Army, where they can release men for combat duty." Lieutenant Crenshaw said.

"Some of the duties for which the Army needs WAACs are those of typewriter operators, telephone and telegraph operators, radio operators and repairmen, secretaries and clerks, cooks, chauffeurs, automobile mechanics, and many others. Promotion is dependent upon demonstrated ability and the opportunity to become officers through the WAAC officer candidate schools is open to all.

on Monday evening, May 24, at 8 P. M. As this is the last meeting of the year, elections will be held for the officers of the Union. Final plans for the coming banquet will also be announced at this meeting.

What does S. E. C. A. stand for?

Well, literally it stands for Summer School of Catholic Action. However, to those who have attended, it means six days never to be forgotten. The following are summer schools scheduled for 1943: Montreal, June 28 to July 31; Chicago, July 5 to 10; Pittsburgh, July 12 to 17; San Antonio, July 24 to 31; New York, Aug. 18 to 23. If you are planning to attend, it is advisable to make reservations early because of transportation and hotel facilities at this time.

UNION BANQUET

Do you know the "why" and "wherefore" of the annual Union Banquet? The place is immaculate Conception Hall. The date and time are Monday, May 24, at 7 o'clock. Price is \$1.50 per plate.

The Sodality Union banquet has always been a source of inspiration to Sodality. This year it should be doubly so. Immaculate Conception Sodality has offered to play host to the Unionites. Evelyn Contestable and Dorothy Sadler are co-chairmen of the affair. Estelle Doyle, Executive Committee Chairman, will act as toastmaster. The Most Rev. James E. Kearney will address the group during the evening.

'Minute Man' Fling

BERKEN, N. H. A "Minute Man" fling has been dedicated at St. Joseph School here in recognition of the pupils' record of 80 per cent participation in regular purchase of war stamps.

Armed Services Call Many Youths From Auburn

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tical systems, propellers, instruments, engines and inspection.

Pfc William D. Quigley, U.S.A. Air Corps, has completed a course of study at the Technical School, Chanute Field, Ill., and is taking advanced work at the U. S. Rubber Company plant in Detroit, Mich. Quigley, son of Daniel J. Quigley of 329 No. Fulton St., has been in the service for six months.

Cadet Joseph Callapone, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patry Callapone of 23 Van Anden St., has entered the Army Air Center at Nashville, Tenn. Cadet Callapone will take physical and psychological examinations to determine for which branch of aircrew service he is best fitted. This is the first phase of training for a cadet which will lead to graduation and a commission. Cadet Callapone is a graduate of Holy Family High School and attended Tri-State College, Angola, Ind. In high school he played on the football and basketball teams.

Joseph Bill Noga, son of Mrs. Helen Mary Noga, has been enrolled in the Navy's School for Machinist's Mates at the U. S. Naval Armory, at Dearborn, Mich. He will attend classes for sixteen weeks. Upon graduation the highest ranking Bluejackets will be given promotions to third class petty officer ratings, while the remaining members will be designated "strikers" and will be eligible for that rating upon obtaining experience on active duty and passing a qualifying examination. The course will include both theoretical instruction and laboratory problems providing actual experience under the supervision of a chief petty officer.

Pfc Daniel J. O'Brien, instructor in radio theory at Scott Field, Ill., has recently been promoted to corporal. Corporal O'Brien entered the service on July 23, 1942, and has been stationed at Scott Field since August.

Pfc Joseph W. Blair of Base Headquarters at Brunswick, Neb., has been promoted to corporal. Blair entered the service in July, 1942, and has been stationed at various air bases throughout the country.

FOR First Class William J. McKeon, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. McKeon, 10 Button St., has been graduated as a skilled aircraft mechanic from the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command School at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C. Following completion of the four months course here, many graduates are sent to other units of the Technical Training Command for special gunnery training or further specialized studies. A graduate of Holy Family High School in Auburn, Pfc McKeon was employed by the American Locomotive Co. as a machine operator prior to entering the Army at Syracuse on Nov. 17, 1942.

Pfc Vincent J. Karst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patsy Parini of 72 Orchard St., has been graduated as a skilled aircraft mechanic from the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command School at Seymour Johnson Field, N. C.

Cadet George F. Train, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Train of 5 Fort St., is now in the second phase of his training as an air cadet. He is now stationed at Camden, North Carolina. He reports he is being kept rather busy, getting up at 5:00 o'clock in the morning and studying until 9:00 at night. He has had his first flight in an airplane and is quite pleased with his studies as an air cadet.

1st Lt. Timothy Victor Bellman is spending a week's furlough at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Sullivan of 14 Madison Ave. 1st Lt. Sullivan has completed his studies at Camp Barkley, Texas, and at the conclusion of his leave, he will be located at Camp Ellis, Lawton, Okla., where he will be an instructor.

1st Lt. Sullivan entered the service two years ago and after receiving his basic training at Fort Saxe Houston, Texas, he was ordered to Hawaii and he was somewhere in the Pacific when the Japs struck at Pearl Harbor.

Corp. Ralph Quill of the U. S. Marines is spending a week-end at the home of his parents, City Councilman and Mrs. James D. Quill of 145 South St. Quill has been in the service for seven months and has been on duty in Jersey City. The Quills have two other sons in the service of Uncle Sam. Sgt. Francis H. Quill is stationed at Columbus, Indiana, and Pfc Norman Quill is at an Army Base at Richmond, Va. The three Quills are graduates of St. Mary's parochial school and the Auburn High School.

Aquinas Graduate Awarded Air Medal

First Lieutenant Nicholas E. Kehoe, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas E. Kehoe, Sr., 277 Hayward Ave., and a graduate of Aquinas Institute, recently received the Air Medal at Langley Field, Va., for "meritorious achievement" and was formerly cited for his commendable service on anti-submarine patrol. Lieutenant Kehoe also studied at Central College and St. Michael's College, Toronto, and was employed by Eastman Kodak Company.

The Lord is the strength of His people and the protector of the salvation of his anointed.—Psalm

Mothers' Club Hears Priest Outline Role Of Women In Wartime

AUBURN—The Mothers' Club of St. Alphonsus Church held its fifth annual banquet at the Osborne Hotel, Tuesday, May 11, with 90 in attendance. The speakers' table had a unique decoration in the form of a miniature May altar with a statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, flowers and ferns.

Rev. Gerard Coffey, spiritual advisor of the Mothers' Club was toastmaster and Rev. Gerard Amann, assistant pastor, spoke briefly. Rev. Walter Fischer, who was assistant pastor at St. Alphonsus from June 1935 to June 1942 was the guest speaker.

Father Fischer, now assistant at St. Ann's, Hornell, said in part: "God made the first woman to be a companion and a helper to man. Through the centuries woman's place became degraded as in Roman and Greek times. Christ came and raised womanhood to a higher level.

"In the founding of our country, women have played an important role. They were side by side with their men folk carrying a new civilization in hitherto wild lands. As they went west, civilization went west. Modern age has granted women many privileges they never had before such as the right to vote, the nursing, teaching and business professions.

"Today as never before women have taken a very important part in the fight for the preservation of our democracy. They are supplying for the lack of manpower in the war industries and other businesses. Many women today are also in the armed services either in Nurses, WAACs, WAVES or SPARS divisions.

"But from the time of Eve to the present and it will be so to the end of the world, the greater part played by womanhood has been and always will be in the home as mothers and teachers of children.

"To womanhood and motherhood has been entrusted the building of a strong character in their children and especially the teaching of the love and fear of God to them. Entertainment was furnished by Roselyn and Shirley Holmes, twin, who sang and danced; Mildred D. Mera gave a graceful acrobatic performance and Donald Lawry and Joseph King played the accordion and pig balls.

Mrs. Francis Borza was chairman of the Banquet Committee and Mrs. John Lawler was co-chairman. They were assisted by Mr. Peter Khoromans, Mrs. Joseph Edge, Mrs. Eric Matthews, Mr. Alfred Imelch, Mrs. Barbara Campbell, Mrs. Phil Laper, Mrs. C. J. Jak, Mrs. William Quigley, Mr. Frank Richards, Mrs. William O'Brien, Mrs. Fred Shaw, and Mr. Forrest Wilson.

PRISONER IN JAPAN

Boston. The Rev. Albert D. Taft, 44, a captain in the Army Chaplain Corps and brother of former Mayor Edmund F. Taft of Fall River, is a prisoner of war in an undisclosed Japanese camp. The War Department has announced.

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM AT GENEVA USO

- SUNDAY, May 23**—Open House—8:00 A. M. to 11:00 P. M.
Informal Party—Afternoon—2:00 to 6:00 P. M.
Evening—7:30 to 11:00 P. M.
Hostesses Provided by Geneva College Club
Music Appreciation—Dancing Group—8:00 P. M.
Hymn Sing—Methodist Church—8:00 P. M.
 - MONDAY, May 24**—Informal Party—7:30 P. M.
Hostesses Provided by First Church of Christ Scientist
 - TUESDAY, May 25**—Informal Party—7:30 P. M.
Hostesses Provided by North Presbyterian Church
 - WEDNESDAY, May 26**—Informal Party—7:30 P. M.
Hostesses Provided by University Club
Variety Night—Civilian Show—7:30 P. M.
Navy—Army—Civilian Talent
Community Singing
Theory of Music Class—8:00 P. M.
Harmony Group and Selected Recordings with Kenneth Collins
 - THURSDAY, May 27**—Square Dance—8:00 P. M.
With Old Fashioned Orchestra and Caller
Hostesses Provided by First Baptist Church
Ping-Pong Tournament—Fives
 - FRIDAY, May 28**—Informal Party—7:30 P. M.
Hostesses Provided by Market Basket Women's Club
Sketching of Servicemen—7:30 P. M.
By Justus Norman Bent
 - SATURDAY, May 29**—Informal Dance—8:00 P. M.
With Frank Farr's Orchestra
Hostesses Provided by Fort Knox Mothers' Club
- NO. 12 HOSPITALITY AVAILABLE TO NY SERVICEMEN STAYING IN GENEVA OVERNIGHT.**