

Final Tributes Paid Three Sisters Of St. Joseph

Solemn funeral services for three greatly esteemed members of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph were held during the week. The funeral of Sister M. Augustine Brennan was held Friday, August 13; of Sister M. Innocentia Feeney, Monday, August 16; and Sister M. Arsenia McMahon on Tuesday, August 17.

Schools To Attune Courses To War, Post-War Needs

With the opening of school less than three weeks away, members of the faculties, especially in the high schools, are preparing to offer courses geared to the wartime tempo.

At Nazareth College and St. Mary's School of Nursing, the U. S. Cadet Corps training is about to begin. Nazareth Academy, Our Lady of Mercy High School and Aquinas Institute are preparing courses to fit the students not only for wartime requirements but for the post-war world to follow.

Announcements from the various schools will be forthcoming in the next week as to their fall programs.

A science program designed to train students in a war world as well as for the post-war days was announced this week at Nazareth Academy.

Basic and preliminary aeronautical work are on the schedule of courses at the Lake Avenue Academy. Sister M. Geraldine and Sister M. Marie Jane who have just completed a summer course in advanced physics, including radio, at Cornell University will be in charge.

Greater intensity in mathematics will feature the training to be given at the various schools of higher education. This work began at Aquinas Institute last year, and will be continued in preparing the young men for demands to come in war and after peace comes.

First High Mass Sung At Laymen's Retreat House On Seneca Lake

Headed by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Charles F. Shuy, pastor of Holy Rosary Church, a large delegation numbering over 40 men, will go to Our Lady of the Lake Diocesan Retreat House on Seneca Lake, Geneva, for the closed retreat, this coming weekend.

The coming weekend is scheduled for the parishes of Holy Rosary, Holy Apostles, Precious Blood and St. Patrick's. The majority of the retreatants will be from Holy Rosary parish. Frank R. Davis is chairman of the committee.

High Mass was sung at the Diocesan Retreat House last Sunday morning for the first time when men from St. Augustine's Church of the Holy Ghost, St. Monica's and other parishes made the retreat. The Rev. Augustine J. Aylward, C.S.B., director of the Retreat House, celebrated the Mass and an impromptu choir was organized to sing the responses.

Thirty-seven men participated in the retreat opening Friday evening and closing Monday afternoon. Because of the occurrence of the Feast of the Assumption during their retreat, this group with the cooperation of the Retreat Master arranged for the first High Mass to be sung in the history of Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House.

Purple Heart Award Honors Slain Soldier

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arrived home a few days before the official notice from the War Department. In his letters he urged his sisters and brother to begin to "watch over each other."

In his letter to the parents of the slain soldier War Secretary Stimson said: "You will shortly receive the Purple Heart medal which has been posthumously awarded by direction of this President to your son, Technician Third Grade Theodorus J. Daluryanski, Quartermaster Corps. It is sent as a tangible expression of the country's gratitude for his gallantry and devotion. It is sent to you, as well, with my deepest personal sympathy for your bereavement. The loss of a loved one is beyond man's repairing and the medal is of slight value; not so, however,

New Play By Convert Dramatist-Actress Here Opens in Newark

"Tease," a new three-act play on St. Theresa of the Little Flower, written by Miss Eunice Sayre, talented young Rochester amateur actress, has just been presented in a one night run by a professional stock company at the Broadway Amusement in Newark, New Jersey.

The author, who resides at Hickory Street, Rochester, and is an employee of the Hawk-Eye Works is well known for her many fine performances under the auspices of the Blackfriars Guild and The Footlight Club. She played an important feminine role in "Meadow and Madonna" when it was presented by The Blackfriars Guild.

Miss Sayre is a convert to the Catholic faith and was received into the Catholic Church last year in New York City. Her attraction to the faith was occasioned by an interest in the work of the Rev. Charles E. Caughlin, director of the National Shrine of the Little Flower, at Royal Oak, Michigan.

The young Rochester actress and now playwright formerly studied dramatics at the Irvine School of Acting, New York City, and this coming fall she will join a road company under the direction of Clara Tree Major.

Army Air Force Lowers Training Requirements

The way has now been opened for many men previously ineligible, to qualify for Army Aviation Cadet Training.

Captain Louis C. Doerr, a member of the Aviation Cadet Examining Board located in the Federal Building, Church and Pittsburgh Streets in Rochester, has recently announced the new directives which, it is estimated, will open the way to Aviation Cadet training to numerous men, 17 to 26, who gravely had been barred. The new directives affect both the mental and the physical examinations, Captain Doerr pointed out.

"We are rather proud of the results achieved by the men who have taken the new mental examination at our office. Just the other day we had a boy pass the examination rather handsily, although he had finished but one year of high school. The reason is quite simple: The Air Force no longer requires a specific background of knowledge. The man will be given the proper background in the College Training Detachments," said Captain Doerr. "The new test merely tests the ability of the applicant to think and to learn."

The new physical requirements liberalize the rather stringent rules, which formerly governed acceptance into the Air Force Enlisted Reserve, and the opportunity is equally given to the Silver Wings of the pilot, aviator, or bombardier. The most concrete change is that it is now possible for a man to qualify with 20/20 vision in each eye provided it be correctable to 20/20. Numerous visual and other requirements have also been lowered. "This relaxation of standards has been arrived at by the Air Force only after the most exhaustive tests," Captain Doerr explained, "these tests prove that previous standards were too high and that men who can fulfill the new requirements can make an excellent flying officer."

Captain Doerr urged all those who might be interested in the Air Force, but who have withheld their applications due to a fear that they could not meet the stringent requirements for Aviation Cadet training, to investigate the details of the new examinations, either in person or by letter, and to avail themselves of the increased opportunities now open to them.

day, Aug. 17, at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford. (Complete details will be given next week).

Sister M. Arsenia McMahon died Saturday, Aug. 14, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira.

Born in Rhace, Sister Arsenia entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1903. Before going to Elmira, she taught in several Rochester schools, including Immaculate Conception, Corpus Christi and Blessed Sacrament. She was in the 34th year of her religious life.

Credits Pacific Recovery To Faith Rekindled By Reformatory Chaplain

"Those same walls will never see me again" writes a former inmate of Elmira Reformatory to the Rev. Francis J. Lane, Catholic Chaplain from a South Pacific hospital bed. Father Lane is termed "the predominant cause of my metamorphosis."

The letter appears in "Don Bosco Bulletin," Catholic publication of the Diocese, August 1, 1943 edition under the heading "Our Chaplain's Column." It was sent from a Station Hospital in the battle area and grippingly reveals the serviceman's appreciation of the facilities he returned to practice at Don Bosco Chapel in the Reformatory.

J. J. O. writes: Dear Father: A few weeks ago, immediately after we had a night barrage, it became necessary for me to obtain medical care. Suddenly I grew worse until a few days later I had a temperature of 104.8 and my Chaplain was by my stretcher beside the doctors. When a hospital that was just a tent with straw to keep down the dust and stretchers for beds because there were no cots. The doctors claimed the series of malaria drugs they poured into me finally saved my life, but I know that it wasn't. As our Chaplain started saying the Prayers for the Dying, there came into my feverish mind a vision. A vision of the Christmas Eve in the Don Bosco Chapel; that little girl walking so fearlessly and peacefully up and down those aisles among so many strange men. Suddenly, I knew I wasn't afraid of death anymore and felt as if a load had been taken from me. That evening my temperature was back to a sane reading.

"I don't know why it happened to me, that cold, early dawn, but I know the Lord intervened, regardless what the doctors claim. I guess that mere words can never thank you for creating that scene and for leading me back into the House of God again, for it was years since I attended church before I came to the 'B.' Looking back I don't consider my seventeen months there an incarceration, but a liberation from the cold, selfish, hypocritical world that I was living in, and in almost every instance you were the predominant cause for my metamorphosis."

"Maybe, that's why I have always found that extra something to keep me going when the going got a little rough, and it was ready to fall by the wayside. I've worked up into a reasonable position in this regiment. I'm always interested with the radio communications, besides being the C.O.'s body guard. I'm proud as the dickens for the responsibility the job carries, and the trust and confidence of the men and officers that I enjoy. I'm sure it's a long cry from the lad who entered the walls of the 'B.' I know now that those same walls will never see me again because I feel certain that never again will I have the feathered ones to transgress against society.

"So in closing, I wish to express my gratitude for your kindness that you have shown me in the past."

Committee Chairmen Named By State K. of C. Hood


BROOKLYN — State committee chairmen for the ensuing year in New York State Council, Knights of Columbus are announced by State Deputy Stephen J. Cushing, here.

They are: Catholic Affairs, John P. McArdle, Brooklyn; Boy Life, Frank M. Davis, Buffalo; General Plan, Activity and Press, Francis J. Nolan, Bronx; Historical, Alfred J. Moran, Brooklyn; Insurance, William J. Ryan, Staten Island.


Legislation, John F. DeAngelis, New York; Membership, Matthew F. Kennedy, Brooklyn; Prayer, Beth A. Hubbard, Riverhead; Scholarship, Thomas J. McDonnell, Buffalo; Audit Committee, James H. McKiernan, Albany; Chairman with Michael F. Halperin, Brooklyn, and Martin Sullivan, Lockport.

Bernard A. Daly, Woodhaven, was appointed Secretary to the State Deputy and Philip A. Samsone, Brooklyn, Warden to the State Deputy.

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