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'New St. Anthony's is Blessed'



The Bishop, portrayed by Francis Caselli dedicating the "New St. Anthony's" in play about to bless the doors and proceed into church for blessing interior. "Father Simonetti" played by John Macera (from left); Joseph Brookman, a visiting priest and John Fossacca, a visiting priest, assist the "Bishop" above.

Redemptorist Mission Band Home from Wars

Buffalo — Its personnel now discharged from military service, the Redemptorist Mission Band attached to St. Mary's, Buffalo, has resumed its activities, according to Rev. J. L. Orben, pastor, C.S.R. Former Navy Chaplain Walter Campbell, C.S.R., and Thomas McManus, C.S.R., have been assigned to the band and their services are now available to pastors requiring music, retreat or novena preachers.

\$575 in Bonds Given St. Anthony's Pastor

Seven hundred parishioners of St. Anthony's, Elmira, joyfully watched school children of the parish present their bonds for the church building.

Presentation of the bonds, money for which was raised by the children themselves, was accompanied by a striking "dedication" of the "new St. Anthony's" with school boys and girls taking all the parts up to and including that of the "Bishop" who delivered a spirited and moving address to the audience.

Setting of the presentation was performance of a production described by the auditors as "one of the most clever and unusual witnessed in many years" and entitled "The Bells of St. Anthony's" in which all parts were taken by the school children under the direction of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

St. Bona Alumni Elect Officers

Attorney Daniel J. Donahoe is the new president of the St. Bonaventure College Alumni Association. He was elected at a luncheon Thursday noon at the Mark Twain honoring faculty members. Other officers are: Vice-president, Clement J. Knuth, secretary, Edward Kelly, treasurer, Walter Sullivan, Corning, publicity, Bernard Malone, spiritual adviser, the Rev. Carmel Montelone, of Cortland; social chairman, Joseph Vall. Honored guests were the Rev. Gerald McMillin, O.F.M., vice-president and director of alumni activities, the Rev. Anselm Kreiger, O.F.M., athletic director; the Rev. Aubert Canon, O.F.M., dean of discipline, and Hugh Devore, football coach. The speakers discussed the importance of alumni activity, student work at the school and the athletic program planned for coming years.

Father Miller Dead at 62; Corning Native

Corning — The Rev. John Leo Miller, C.M., died Thursday, May 23, at St. Catherine's Hospital, Brooklyn.

Father Miller was born in Corning, May 7, 1884, the son of Mrs. John Miller, of South Corning, and the late Mr. Miller who conducted the Miller Hotel in Corning several years ago. Father Miller was a graduate of St. Mary's Parochial School and Corning Free Academy. He was ordained a priest May 31, 1914, in St. Peter's Cathedral in Philadelphia, Pa., at St. John's College, Brooklyn. For the past five years he conducted missions.

Often a visitor in Corning, Father Miller was well known here. Only last October he conducted a mission in St. Mary's Parish. Besides his mother, Father Miller is survived by one cousin, Mrs. Emma C. Millard, South Corning. A funeral Mass was sung in St. John's Church, Brooklyn, Monday morning. The body was brought to Corning Tuesday afternoon and taken to St. Mary's Church where it lay in state from 8 p. m. A guard of honor served throughout the night.

Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock a Solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in the Sacred Circle in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Heads VFW Council

Seneca Falls — George L. Keach, veteran of World War I, was elected Commander of the Finger Lakes Counties Council of Veterans of Foreign Wars at a meeting held in Newark, N. Y., Sunday, May 19. Mr. Keach has been Commander of the Lt. Cyrus Carnsey Post, V. F. W., for the past year, completing his term in April.

NCWC Diocesan Moderator To Address Corning Unit

Corning — Mrs. Fred DeMuth, president of Corning Deacons, National Council of Catholic Women, has announced that the guest speaker at the annual tea of the organization, scheduled for June 6 at the Baron Steuben Hotel, will be the Rev. Albert J. Shamon, of Rochester, moderator of the diocesan NCWC Council.

As general chairman for the affair, Mrs. DeMuth has appointed the following heads of committees: Refreshments, Miss Madeline Stenger, St. Mary's Parish; Mrs. Cecelia Gilson, St. Patrick's Parish; and Miss Ruth Warner, St. Vincent de Paul's Parish. Decorations, Mrs. John Holland and Mrs. John Grady; Entertainment, Mrs. John Ginnane, Mrs. John Doherty, Mrs. Marvin Cummings and Mrs. Eugene Knapp.

Sodalists to Hear Priest-Editor

The Rev. Patrick J. Flynn, associate editor of the COURIER-JOURNAL, will be guest speaker at a Communion breakfast sponsored by members of the Sodality of Our Lady, St. Patrick's parish, of Elmira. Sodality members will receive Holy Communion in a body at the 7:30 Mass to be followed by the breakfast at the Mark Twain Hotel. Miss Dorothy Martin is general chairman and announces the following committee leaders: Mrs. Ivan Brady and Mrs. Edward Daves, tickets; Miss Teresa Cameron, decorations; Mrs. Frances Lynch, program; Miss Florence Hughes, publicity.

Ordained



NEWLY ORDAINED TO SING FIRST MASS IN ITHACA

Ithaca — First Solemn Mass of the Rev. Francis H. Conner, will be celebrated Sunday, June 3, at 11 a. m., in Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Conner, 210 Williams St., Ithaca, Father Conner was ordained Thursday, May 30, in the Chapel of St. Mary's Seminary, La Porte, Texas, by His Excellency, the Most Rev. Christopher E. Byrne, Bishop of Galveston.

Assisting in the First Solemn Mass will be the Rev. William E. Byrne, Pastor, as Assistant Priest; the Rev. James Shaup, Cong. Oratory, Descon; and the Rev. John Hedges, Subdeacon. The Rev. Joseph M. McNamara, former Chaplain of the Cornell Newman Club will preach. The children's choir of Immaculate Conception School will sing the Mass.

A reception will be held Sunday afternoon, June 3, from 4 to 8 p. m., at the home of his parents.

Father Conner attended grammar school in Auburn and was graduated from Ithaca High School in 1934. He attended Andrews Seminary and St. Francis College, Lorain, Pa., before entering St. Mary's Seminary, La Porte, Texas, in 1940. His parents went to the ordination ceremony in La Porte and will return to Ithaca about June 5.

Fr. Hurley to Teach Religion Classes

The Rev. John D. Hurley, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira, has returned to his duties after an absence of seven weeks. Father Hurley will resume teaching classes on religious instruction commencing this week.

Edmund Lepkowski, Coleman Ave., is confined to his home due to illness. Mrs. Lucy Pecchio, 1215 W. Water St., was a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. William J. Schieren, Westmont Ave., are the parents of a son born at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. James Donovan, 806 Roe Ave., are the parents of a daughter born at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. George Kingston, W. Church St., is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Grid Schedule Set By St. Bonaventure

Oswego (AP) — St. Bonaventure College Thursday announced the following fall football schedule: Sept. 23, Youngstown College; Oct. 3, University of Scranton; Oct. 13, University at Buffalo Civic Stadium; Oct. 26, St. Vincent College; Nov. 3, Canisius; Nov. 10, Bowling Green; Nov. 17, U. S. Merchant Marine Academy, New York City. Two open dates remain to be filled to complete a nine-game schedule.

Abp. Hanna's See Goes to Nuncio

Vatican City (NC) — His Holiness Pope Pius XII has named Msgr. Giovanni Burzio, Apostolic Nuncio to Bolivia, raising him at the same time to the dignity of Titular Archbishop of Gortina. Monsignor Burzio formerly served as charge d'affaires of the Apostolic Delegation to Slovakia. His new Titular See was at one time occupied by the late Archbishop Edward J. Hanna, who was transferred to it after his retirement as Archbishop of San Francisco. (Gortina, which like all Titular Sees, was once a residential See, is an ancient town now in ruins on the island of Crete near Mount Ida. Under the Romans it was the chief town of Crete.)

Soviet Totalitarianism Condemned By N. Y. State Knights of Columbus

Saratoga Lake, N. Y. — Soviet Russia's "openly announced policy of military expansion" is "equivalent to an attempt to force world revolution," declared the New York State Council of the Knights of Columbus at their 51st annual convention here this week, in which delegates from 12 Councils in Rochester diocese took part.

"We condemn as utterly repugnant to the ideals of Western civilization, Soviet imperialism and totalitarianism," text of the resolution continued, calling upon the U.S. Government to "take a strong political and economic stand against aggression everywhere."

Major illustration of the condemned Russian policy was found in Poland which, according to a resolution passed last May, had been abandoned by a "most un-Christian and un-American" act of the U.S. Government. "Every tragic act, every revolting atrocity against the Christian integrity of the people of Poland perpetrated by the Red dictatorship since the so-called liberation of Poland in the Spring of 1945 has vindicated the position taken by the Order."

"The Warsaw provisional puppet government appointed by Soviet Russia has continued its reign of terror," said the Knights, and has sentenced to "deplorable starvation untold numbers of men, women and children."

Meanwhile, the U.S. State Department "has by its inertia encouraged the USSR to continue and broaden its policy of oppression, extermination and communication of a friendly allied Christian nation."

The resolution passed by the Convention as a whole called upon the U.S. Government to "aid and diplomatic recognition from the Warsaw government unless the present regime in Poland ceases immediately its suppression of all free political activity, and restores to the people of Poland freedom of religion, of press, of assembly, and of speech."

In connection with the current Spanish question, the Convention assailed the "powerful propaganda machine of both international and national character whose purpose it has been to vilify and traduce the present Government of Spain."

Calling upon the American people to "turn on the floodlights of truth," the Knights asserted that "while we may not agree with the present form of government in Spain, we do agree with the people of Spain who are struggling for the United States must as God-fearing people give a regime which offers an evolution of government in accordance with the Spanish tradition and morality, rather than that of a foreign despotism which has brought unspeakable desolation to the rest of Europe, and which would destroy all the traditions of Western civilization."

which alone exalts the rights of man. Any action taken by the State of Nations Organization which fails to give Spain its opportunity to appear and defend itself the Knights demand as "complete violation of the American ideal of justice."

Final resolution adopted by the Convention unanimously endorsed "the appeal of Pope Pius XII and the hierarchy of the Church to relieve the suffering and distress of the victims of famine and hunger," and urged its members "by individual contributions and personal efforts to cooperate in this cause."

Many resolutions were adopted by the convention. The 51st annual convention of the Knights of Columbus was held at Saratoga Lake, N. Y., from May 27 to May 31.

Entirely new uniforms were worn by the delegates. The Knights of Columbus who called upon the Knights to act as a stimulus for the total work of America.

"If America is to lead the world, she must first lead her own people," the Knights asserted. "We must not only be a nation of laws, but a nation of justice. We must not only be a nation of laws, but a nation of justice. We must not only be a nation of laws, but a nation of justice."

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