

AS DIOCESAN CHAPLAINS PARADE ON MEMORIAL DAY



Wearing their Army, Navy or Marine uniforms adorned with service and merit ribbons, these seven chaplains, returned from far flung war zones, were heartily acclaimed as they headed the

parochial school division in the Rochester Memorial Day Parade. In line from left: Navy Chaplain George H. Hill, O.F.M. of St. Bonaventure's College; Army Chaplain John F. Hayes, Donald

Murphy; Navy Chaplain Richard T. Farney assigned to St. Michael's Church; Army Chaplain Francis E. Fogarty, O.F.M. of St. Bonaventure's College; Army Chaplain John F. Hayes, Donald Nolan and Navy Chaplain John S. Whalen.

870 TO RECEIVE DIPLOMAS FROM 10 HIGH SCHOOLS

Diplomas will be awarded to 870 boys and girls at commencement exercises in various Catholic High Schools throughout the Rochester Diocese in the next two weeks. His Excellency, Bishop Kearney will preside.

First graduation scheduled in the diocese is that of the Academy of the Sacred Heart, Friday, June 7, when 8 girls will step up to receive their diplomas.

The following Sunday, June 8, will see a class of 51 girls graduating from St. Joseph's Commercial School. The Rev. William Doherty, C.S.S.R., will preach and the Rev. Charles M. Guttenberger, C.S.S.R., will present diplomas.

Nine girls of the class of 1946 of St. Agnes Institute will be graduated at ceremonies Thursday, June 14, and Our Lady of Mercy High School will graduate 147 the following day, Friday, June 21.

Three institutions have scheduled commencement exercises for Sunday, June 23: Aquinas Institute, with 234 boys; St. Mary's School of Business, 25 girls; St. Francis de Sales, Geneva, 31 boys and 39 girls.

Elmira High School will graduate a class of 50, 11 boys and 19 girls at exercises Tuesday, June 25, and 13 boys and 26 girls will receive diplomas on Wednesday, June 26, from Holy Family High School, Auburn.

Gifts of degrees: Auburn - Miss Marion Koenen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Koenen, of Howard Street, was a candidate for a degree of master of arts in the field of political science at commencement exercises held on June 4 at Columbia University. Miss Koenen completed her studies last February and is now employed in New York City.

Noon Mass Set At St. Joseph's

St. Joseph's Church will hold a Mass at 12:10 noon on all weekdays during the month of June for the intention of obtaining from the Sacred Heart blessings on this country and peace in the world.

300 AT FIRST CEMETERY MASS IN PENN YAN

Penn Yan - The first Field Mass in the almost 100-year history of St. Michael's Church here, was celebrated in St. Michael's Cemetery on Memorial Day morning by the Rev. Hubert A. Bisky.

As the day was also the Feast of the Ascension the white Mass vestments were used. Approximately 300 persons assisted in the outdoor services.

In the sermon, the Rev. Thomas C. Kane touched on the three phases of the Holy Mass offered on that day, the Feast of the Ascension, a Holy Day of Obligation, the faithful departed of the parish whose last resting place formed the background for the Mass and the veteran dead, many of whom, he pointed out, not too many years ago had served as altar boys in St. Michael's.

Altar boys for the field Mass were Roger Lamphier and Joseph Legg.

Bishop Kearney Lends Support To Service Housing Bureau Plea

With over 1,000 former servicemen's families urgently in need of housing, His Excellency, Bishop Kearney is giving his encouragement to householders to make available space in their homes which could be adjusted for rentals.

The Bishop's letter appears in the next column.

The housing appeal comes from the Service Housing Bureau of which Mrs. C. Leroy Cool is director.

"How many people are there in this work, who, having recruited young men and women for military service, are at hand when the job is done, eager to help in at least one phase of their reorientation to civilian life?" the Service Housing Bureau appeal states.

"We have one such person in Rochester - she is Mrs. C. Leroy Cool, who worked for three years as a volunteer in the Naval Recruitment program. Then, last fall, as the martial music became less audible, and flags and banners less in evidence, she began to hear stories of perhaps the most acute problem these same young people faced upon their return to Rochester."

With the approval of the City Council, Mrs. Cool was named Scout in Minstrel At Corpus Christi

director of the Service Housing Bureau on a volunteer basis. She has been granted city furnished office space, office expenses and the salary for an executive secretary for her program. All other workers are volunteers. The housing office is located on the third floor, City Hall and is open Monday through Friday from 10 to 4 and on Saturday from 10 to noon. Telephone number is Main 7182.

Gravity of the lack of housing is stressed in the Service Housing Bureau's appeal. Here are the records:

- (As of May 22, 1946) 2,221 families have applied for housing.
- 631 families have been placed by Service Housing.
- 1,697 families are listed as "urgent."
- (Available space as of May 22, 1946) 4 rooms with housekeeping privileges, children accepted.
- 2 rooms with housekeeping privileges, children accepted (out of town).
- 2 rooms with housekeeping privileges - no children.
- 2 rooms no housekeeping - no children.

A plentiful supply of single rooms for men or women.

The appeal states that besides the work with private housing, the Bureau is charged with placement of veterans in all state and municipal housing projects. The city has converted five public schools into apartments, one is in operation and placement has been completed for the second. With New York State taking over all public emergency housing, the Bureau will do the placement in the former P. O. W. camp at Cobbs Hill, and in the barracks moved into Lyell Avenue from Fort Niagara. Applications for these units, to be converted into housing units, in many times their capacity.

Cooperation is urgently needed - the appeal states. There are in Rochester many homes with an unused room or two which could be rented; there are houses being closed for the summer while occupants go to the lake or country; there are cottages which would hold a few more people without crowding, and houses being held for a high price which "could and should be released to the rental market."

"In our community we spend quantities of money through our social agencies trying to correct maladjustments in adults and children, to alleviate juvenile delinquency, to keep the family intact, but we are not prone to give that little of ourselves which might prevent such catastrophes before they occur," the appeal declares.

"Men and women in Rochester who have, and who will share their homes with veterans and their families, will have done more good, prevented more tragedies, than can ever be catalogued."

"Without even a couple of rooms where he and his family can live comfortably, though simply, a man cannot put his best into his job. The veterans are not asking for charity; they are simply asking for a chance, they and their families know that sharing a home is far from the ideal in living, but it's their only way out now!"

WSAY donates the quarter hour beginning at 6:15 p. m. each Wednesday to the Service Housing Bureau Program.

New Rochelle Awards Scholarship Here

Miss Yolanda La Cagnina of Rochester has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship at the College of New Rochelle, New Rochelle, N. Y., on the basis of her high record and the competitive examination held throughout the country March 15.

Miss LaCagnina will also receive an award of \$100 during her freshman year from the Rochester chapter of the College of New Rochelle Alumnae Association.

The local committee includes: Mrs. Joan Desauer, chairman, Mrs. Rita Crehan, Mrs. Austin Culligan and Miss Lois Frey.

The young scholarship winner is Valadictorian of the June class at East High School. She is also a daughter of the Flag and a Patrician of Latin Honor Student for four years.

House Bought For St. Helen's New Convent

Purchase of a house by St. Helen's Church, Hinckley Road, will provide the 8-year-old parish with its first Sisters' Convent, the Rev. J. Beecher Sullivan, pastor, has announced.

A frame dwelling of colonial design, the new convent is situated at 63 Lettington Drive and is close to the present church and school building on Hinckley Road.

The new residence, Father Sullivan revealed, was purchased from Dr. Jacob D. Goldstein for the cash price of \$13,400.

Payment of \$1,450, which represented the balance of an original parish mortgage of \$15,850, was also announced by Father Sullivan.

Started in September 1943 with one grade, St. Helen's School has now grown to four grades. It is staffed by three Franciscan Sisters who presently reside at Our Lady of Good Counsel Convent.

Necessary household furnishings and equipment must be acquired and a chapel arranged before the Sisters can enter the new convent, Father Sullivan stated. Occupancy tentatively set for the fall, he said.

Appearing in the parish bulletin to his parishioners, Father Sullivan stated:

"We must acquire our new Convent for the coming of the Sisters of St. Francis this Fall. We know that you want to share in the work of our Sisters who are striving to bring the spiritual and material needs of your children. These Sisters need the little comforts of a decent home to give them the courage and the strength to carry on their work of self-sacrifice. The better the Convent, the better the school."

Among the needs of the Convent, the parish bulletin lists: table, chairs, beds, kitchen utensils, curtains, etc.

2 WOMAN GROUPS SHIP CLOTHING

Collections for clothing for the destitute in Europe continue to be shipped out of this diocese, according to reports reaching the Rochester Diocesan Council, National Council of Catholic Women.

The Catholic Women's Club has shipped four boxes, totaling 225 items, to War Relief Services, N.C.W.C. This load included clothing for men, women, children and babies.

A shipment of 276 articles of clothing was reported by Ladies Auxiliary No. 44, Knights of St. John of St. Peter and Paul's Church.

Work will be resumed early in the fall.

A meeting of the Diocesan Executive Committee, N.C.W.C. will be held Friday, June 7, at 1 p. m. at 15 South St.

Mrs. McGraw Heads Lima CDA Court

Lima - Mrs. Francis McGraw was elected Grand Regent of Court Fitz Simons, Catholic Daughters of America at the May meeting of the group.

Others elected with Mrs. McGraw were: Mrs. Floyd Happa, vice regent; Miss Vera Costello, prothonotary; Mrs. Edward J. Hoptrope, lecturer; Mrs. Gerald L. Madigan, chronicler; Mrs. Harold W. Kase, financial secretary; Miss Loretta Murray, treasurer; Miss Eileen McSwaney, monitor; Mrs. William J. O'Brien, sentinel; Mrs. Ruth Chatterton, organist; Mrs. William B. Leary, succeeding the late Mrs. Anna Sheehan as trustee with Miss Edwin G. Webb and Mrs. Margaret McSwaney.

Rev. John M. Ball is chaplain of the Court.

Hostesses for the evening were: Madames H. H. Kase, Ruth Chatterton, Francis Stolman, M. A. Donegan, and Miss Mary McCoy.

The following committee has been named for the June business and social meeting: Miss Monica O'Connell, Mrs. W. C. Kennet, Mrs. Joseph Hendrick, Mrs. L. Tubbs and Miss Mary Whalen.

Mrs. Lawrence J. Nacey will install the new officers. The retiring officers are Mrs. John F. Curran, President; Mrs. Charles Mearns, Vice President; Mrs. Joseph W. Ison, Secretary and Mrs. Howard Elam, Treasurer. Tea and social hour will follow the meeting.

National Nurse Group Lauded for War Aid Elect Rochesterian

Miss Mary Rose Maley of Rochester was elected president of the National Council of Catholic Nurses at the Third Biennial Convention held in Toledo, Ohio, May 27 and 28.

A resolution adopted by the Convention favored establishment of a national health program, but went on record as opposed to the Murray-Wagner-Dingell public health bill. Cited as objections were the "complicated methods of administration" which it creates, "excessive government control" and "un-democratic disregard for reasonable autonomy on the part of hospitals and the medical profession."

The resolution was passed upon by representatives of the organization from 41 dioceses in 23 states.

The Apostolic Blessing of His Holiness Pope Pius XII was announced at the convention and a check for \$10,000 was presented by President Harry E. Truman in which he thanked the nurses for their war-time service, but reminded them that the continued shortage of nurses and the increased complication of hospital problems would require their efforts "toward the goal of health security for all."

Representing the Rochester Unit, National Council of Catholic Nurses were: the Rev. Charles E. Conroy, spiritual director; Miss Maley, who is president of the local group; Miss Mary Anderson, treasurer; Mrs. Marie Fink; Jane Howe; Mary Hendrickson; Sylvia Marshall; Aileen Mahan; Geraldine Gray; Sheila O'Brien; Betty Shellen; Margaret O'Neill and Mary Doyle.

The Rev. Gregory Dunn led the Rev. David Singsdorf and Margaret Callahan and Mary Muldoon represented the Albany Unit. Robert J. Keenan led the Sister Julian Enright.

The theme of the Convention, "The Catholic Nurse in a Changing World" was carried out by a number of speakers.

In the welcome address, Miss Anna V. Hensch, national president, expressed her appreciation to the Catholic Nurses for the important service they gave during the war in both military and civilian fields.

Necessity and benefits of organized effort were stressed in a message by the Rev. James

30 AUBURN K. C. AT LAY RETREAT

Geneva - A new capacity number of men from Auburn made their annual retreat at Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House in Geneva last week-end. Frank J. Lesch, vice president of the Retreat League, who is in charge of the Auburn group led a surprisingly large number of men over the holiday weekend.

All were present in time for supper at 7 o'clock Friday evening, and all were highly satisfied with the new arrangement of opening the retreat at 9 o'clock. St. Mary's parish was especially well represented, and about 30 members of the Knights of Columbus were in the group.

The enthusiastic work of the retreat leaders and the response in the different parishes throughout the diocese indicate clearly that a banner year is in prospect at the Retreat House. Already Elmira and Seneca Falls have sent fine representations; the Rev. Augustine Aylward, C.S.S.R., states. B. Edward Shiesinger, president of the diocesan Retreat League, has notified the house far in advance that his St. Ambrose group will take every bit of space available for its weekend, June 14, 15, 16.

This week the men from St. Andrew's and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Rochester, will join men from Canandaigua and Scottsville. Fred Frisch has already reported about 25 men from his St. Andrew's group. The Retreat House can accommodate 46 men.

Any men in the diocese anxious to know more about the Laymen's Retreat movement, "so dear to the heart of Our Holy Father," can obtain all necessary information by writing to Father Aylward at the Retreat House in Geneva.

Ambrosians Set Buffet Supper

The Ambrosians of St. Ambrose Church are planning a buffet supper meeting Sunday, June 9 at 8:30 p. m. Miss Betty Hempel is chairman of the supper.

The supper committee includes: the Misses Jean Arnold, Rita Belmont, Pat Buchta, Ruth Coastick, Doris Ester, Helen Gysel, Ann Heffernan, Martha Tierney and Sue Tierney, and Don Bayer, Dick Maddess, Don Metzger, Bill Rund, Julian Underhill and Francis White.

Reservations may be made with Miss Betty Hempel (Culver 3234) or Miss Martha Tierney (Culver 426).

Aquinas Mothers To Hear Coach

The last meeting of the Aquinas Mothers Club for the year will be held Friday, June 7 at the School at 8:00 P. M. The Rev. William J. Duggan, C.S.B., will address the members. Guest speaker will be Mr. Harry C. Kennet, the new Physical Education Instructor.

Mrs. Lawrence J. Nacey will install the new officers. The retiring officers are Mrs. John F. Curran, President; Mrs. Charles Mearns, Vice President; Mrs. Joseph W. Ison, Secretary and Mrs. Howard Elam, Treasurer. Tea and social hour will follow the meeting.

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