

Ex-Soldier's Essay Wins London Air Trip

Former combat pilot Charles F. Wheaton of St. Gabriel's Parish, Hammondsport, wrote an essay about Anglo-American relations that won him a weekend sight-seeing trip to London by air.

He lunched in Soho, dined at the Savoy Hotel, visited Windsor Castle, Eton College and the film studios and topped off everything by viewing London from the lofty-red-and-white Byzantine tower of Westminster Cathedral.

In addition to seeing the sights of London and listening to debates in the Houses of Parliament, Wheaton also took part in a radio-television broadcast.

First Outing Set By St. Andrew's Lay Fraternity

Plans have been completed for the first annual outing of the St. Andrew's Lay Fraternity to be held at 8 p. m. Saturday, Aug. 10 at the St. William House on Buffalo Road.

The committee in charge has outlined a program of sports and entertainment and with the help of Emmert V. Norton, travel agent, has scheduled a man-sized feast of hot, cold cuts, salads and cold drinks for the occasion.

Cards have gone out to members and prospective members of the embryo organization but all former students of the Seminary have been invited to attend whether they receive a card or not.

Former students are asked to contact a member of the committee either by phone or post card so that adequate preparations may be made. The committee is headed by Joseph J. O'Brien of East Rochester and includes Joseph W. Benn, Raymond P. Gagel, Theodore J. Houck, John A. Nothnagle, Victor M. Loomis, Emmert V. Norton and Thomas C. Gould, all of Rochester.

FESTIVAL LISTED AT ST. PHILIP'S

Annual Summer Festival of St. Philip Neri Church, 1176 Clifford Ave., will be held Friday and Saturday evenings, August 2 and 3, according to Rev. George Weilmann, pastor. Saturday afternoon has been set aside for a program for the children. The public is invited to the festival at which many attractions and games will be presented.

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Retreat Record Set by Blessed Sacrament Men

A record breaking retreat was made last week by 60 members of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Name Society, including five teams of fathers and sons, at Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House, Geneva. This is the fifth successive year that men of that parish have set the record for the retreat house.

Reservations so far exceeded the capacity of the house that an extra mid week retreat had to be arranged in addition to the scheduled weekend.

Percentage of new retreatants among the Blessed Sacrament group was larger than in any past year, it was noted. Another unusual feature of the exercises was the presence of a non-Catholic attorney who requested permission to join the men.

After attending all the devotions he publicly expressed his appreciation for the opportunity pointing out the tremendous power for good and the spiritual benefits that are gained in making a closed retreat. He felt that he himself, he said, had been given untold graces and blessings.

Rev. Thomas J. Manley, spiritual director of the Blessed Sacrament Holy Name men, accompanied them to the mid week retreat returning for the closing of the weekend retreat.

Very Rev. Augustinus J. Aylward, C.S.S.R., Rector of the Retreat House, welcomed the men and conducted most of the exercises. He encouraged the men to become permanent retreat promoters so that membership in the Retreat League will grow until year-round retreats will be necessary.

Groups from St. Monica's and Immaculate Conception parish will journey to Geneva this weekend for their annual retreat.

Date Book Of Catholic Groups

Deadline 1 p. m. each Tuesday for all items to be inserted in the Date Book.

Thursday, Aug. 1 — Meeting, Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, Columbus Civic Center, 8:30 p. m.

Thursday, Aug. 1 — Benefit party, Church of Most Precious Blood grounds, Lexington Ave., 8:30 p. m.

Friday, Aug. 2 — Youth dance, Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral School Hall, 9-12.

Friday, Aug. 2 — Meeting, First Friday Luncheon Club, Sheraton Hotel, 12-15.

Friday, Aug. 2 — Youth dance, Immaculate auditorium, Joe Nolan orchestra, 9-12.

Friday, Aug. 3 — Summer Festival, St. Philip Neri Church, 1176 Clifford Ave.

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Thursday, Aug. 5 — Annual Garden Party, St. Margaret Mary Altar Society, grounds of Mrs. Frank Tschlerer, 2313 St. Paul Blvd., 1 p. m.

Saturday, Aug. 10 — First Annual Outing, St. Andrew's Lay Fraternity, St. William House, Buffalo Road, 3 p. m.

MASS MARKS 25 YEARS MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. William P. McGowan, 10 Armstrong Ave., celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary on July 20 in St. Margaret Mary's Church, Tonawanda at a Solemn High Mass.

The Mass was offered by their nephew, the Rev. Bernard V. Kuchman, assisted by the Rev. George J. Weilmann and the Rev. George V. Eckl. Both Fathers Weilmann and Eckl assisted the late Rev. Ferdinand Bogner of Hoboken, N. J., at the wedding Mass in 1923.

John McGee, of the Beulah community, son of the Jubiliants, was Master of Ceremonies. Thomas Kuchman, of St. Andrew's Seminary, another nephew was thurifer. John Schmitt and Raymond Michel were altar boys.

In the Sanctuary were the Rev. Charles J. Bruton, the Rev. Joseph J. Donovan and the Rev. Emmert E. Davis.

The original bridal party was present. Miss Julia Kuhn, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. Louis Kuhn, a brother of the bride, was best man. William McGowan and Earl Van Houten were ushers.

Mass was sung by Mrs. A. Siebold assisted by Mrs. D. Cameron with Miss Mary Baker at the organ.

Out of town guests were the couple's son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Howard McGee, Westfield, N. Y.; Mrs. Gertrude Stotts and son, William, of West Point; Mrs. Lauretta Bigwood, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bigwood, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Bositis, all of Worcester, Mass.

A breakfast for 90 guests was served following the Mass by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hell assisted by Miss Marie Schmitt, Miss Jerry Gaffney, Miss Margaret Matter and Miss Barbara Helinger.

Garden Party Set by Group

Mrs. Marvin List, president of St. Margaret Mary Altar Society, has appointed Mrs. Michael Baumann to head the committee in charge of the annual Garden Party. The party will be held Thursday, August 3, at 1 p. m., on the grounds of the residence of Mrs. Frank Tschlerer at 2313 St. Paul Blvd.

Committees assisting Mrs. Baumann are as follows: Refreshments, Mrs. P. T. Scharf, assisted by Mrs. Joseph Schnorr; Prizes, Mrs. Gerald Buckert; Cards and Tallies, Mrs. Donald Spitzale, Mrs. Joseph Pellman, Mrs. Gerald Buckert; Tables and Chairs, Mrs. Ulysses D. King, Mrs. Paul Lutz, Mrs. Stephen Schwab, Mrs. Marvin List; Reservations, Mrs. Leo Doser, Mrs. Paul Lutz and Mrs. Ulysses D. King.

Franciscan Of Corning Reassigned

Corning — Announcement has been made by the Triennial Chapter of the Franciscan Province of the Holy Name of the assignment of the Rev. Marus Anthony Kennedy, O.F.M., to St. Peter's College at Loudonville. Father Marus has been stationed at St. Bonaventure's College as assistant treasurer.

The son of Acting Postmaster and Mrs. John F. Kennedy of 239 E. Second St., this city, Father Marus recently completed a course at Wharton School of Finance of the University of Pennsylvania. He is a graduate of St. Patrick's Parochial School and Corning Free Academy. After two years of study at St. Bonaventure's College he entered the Order of St. Francis. He was ordained to the Holy priesthood on June 9, 1941, at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

UNITES SATURDAY FOR T. MORRISON

Funeral services for Thomas J. Morrison, Sr., highly respected consulting engineer and former city official will be held Saturday morning in the Trotter Funeral Home, 633 Main St., East at 10 a. m. and in Corpus Christi Church at 10:30 a. m.

Mr. Morrison, father of the Rev. Thomas J. Morrison, Jr., O.P., professor of philosophy at the University of Washington, Seattle, died Tuesday, July 30, 1946 in St. Mary's Hospital after a week's illness. He was 66.

NCCM Officers To Meet Sunday

Officers of the National Council of Catholic Men will meet in Rochester Sunday, August 4, at Hotel Rochester with Norman A. O'Brien, of this city, General Counsel, as host.

Coming for the meeting, O'Brien stated are: President John W. Babcock, Detroit; Vice President August A. Blasz, Wichita, Kansas; Secretary Thomas E. Sly, St. Louis; and Treasurer, Stewart Lynch, Wilmington, Del.

Red Cross Sets Radio Series

The American Red Cross, starting August 3, over Station WHAM, will sponsor a series of nine radio dramas starring the cast of "One Man's Family." Each program will feature an important phase of Red Cross work, as well as stress the vital importance of the Seven Basic Food Groups in daily menus.

The schedule:

Civilian War Relief, Sat., Aug. 3, 2:00 p. m.

Deafman's Aid, Sun., Aug. 4, 1:00 p. m.

Manpower Service, Mon., Aug. 5, 1:30 p. m.

Field Director, Sat., Aug. 10, 2:00 p. m.

General Coverage of Red Cross Nutrition Activities, Sun., Aug. 11, 1:00 p. m.

Home Nursing, Mon., Aug. 12, 1:30 p. m.

Home Service, Sat., Aug. 17, 2:00 p. m.

Overseas Club, Sun., Aug. 18, 1:00 p. m.

Junior Red Cross, Mon., Aug. 19, 1:30 p. m.

Fr. Celsus Heads St. Bona Monastery

St. Bonaventure, N. Y. — The Very Rev. Celsus Wheeler, O. F. M., has officially taken up his duties as Superior of Guardian of St. Bonaventure Monastery. He has assumed the position he held at the time of his enlistment as Army Chaplain.

During a short ceremony almost as old as the Franciscan Order, the Very Rev. David Baler, O.F.M., whom he succeeds, (and who had previously succeeded him) publicly read the official "Obedience" document which directed Fr. Celsus to take up the position as Superior of St. Bonaventure Friary.

Father David left for his new assignment as Superior of Holy Name College in Washington, D. C. on Monday, after twenty years of teaching at St. Bon's.

CYA Membership Drive Opening Set Oct. 4

Arthur J. Bumann, president of the Underwriters Society of Rochester, will serve as general chairman of the 1948 annual membership campaign of the Columbus Youth Association from October 4 to 14.

Selection of Mr. Bumann was announced this week by the Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, director of the C.Y.A.

Within the next few weeks, Father Lambert and Mr. Bumann will select their leadership for the men's and women's divisions as well as the special committee.

The campaign goal has not yet been announced but C.Y.A. officials indicate that it will be set at a figure which will insure sufficient C.Y.A. membership for hundreds of summer boys and girls.

West C.Y.A. Campaign

An experienced campaigner in various causes, Mr. Bumann is making his first appearance in a C.Y.A. drive. He was previously honored in the highly successful American Memorial Bazaar campaign held in the Rochester Armory for St. Andrew's Seminary. He has also been called in Red Cross drives.

In addition to an impressive business he has conducted for twenty years, Mr. Bumann is president of Bumann's Inc., C.Y.A. member since 1931, a member of the Board of Directors of the Rochester Ad Club and president of the Friary Club of American Institute.

K. C. Festival Opens Monday

Auburn — The Knights of Columbus Golden Jubilee Festival will commence Monday, August 2-2nd will come to a close on Saturday, August 10. The festival will be held on the grounds of the K. of C. House in Geneva Street. The proceeds derived from the festival will be added to the building fund.

Mgr. Sheen Records For V. A. Hospitals

Washington — (APC) — Recorded talks of Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, recently released in an album entitled "Prayer Time" will be made available by the National Catholic Conference of Service to Catholic chaplains of veterans' hospitals, where it is hoped the stimulating messages may bring courage and spiritual satisfaction to the patients.

Party To Aid Hospital Set

A party for the benefit of St. Joseph's Hospital, located on the grounds of the Church of the Transfiguration, Lexington Ave., and St. Vincent's on Thursday evening, August 1, at 8:30 p. m.

Friends of the church of St. Joseph in the Rochester area are invited. Mrs. James Hunter is sponsoring the party. The Lynn Lee and Lexington Ave. — Mrs. Hayes Mahl St. Rose and Clinton at 8:30 p. m., Mrs. Frances states.

On Leave



REV. W. J. O'BRIEN

FATHER O'BRIEN ENDS ARMY DUTY

Auburn — Captain William J. O'Brien, of the Chaplain Corps of the Army is on terminal leave after long service with the Army. Father O'Brien enlisted in the Chaplain Corps of the Army in March 1942 and six months later was sent overseas. He spent thirty-three months overseas and participated in the African and Italian campaigns. He was the first chaplain of the Rochester Diocese to be awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action. He was attached to an Infantry division.

Father O'Brien was ordained on June 15, 1933 and celebrated his first Solemn Mass in St. Mary's Church, Auburn. Shortly after his ordination he was appointed assistant pastor of Corpus Christi Church in Rochester. He remained as assistant there until entering the Army. He is the son of Police Captain and Mrs. John L. O'Brien of Bradford Street. Father O'Brien's brother, John, served with the Army Air Force in India, and another brother, Donald, with the Marines in the South Pacific.

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