

KNIGHTS TO ATTEND UTICA CONVENTION

Annual convention of the New York Grand Commandery of the Knights of St. John will take place Saturday and Sunday, May 3 and 4 in Utica. The convention will be the first since the beginning of the war.

Rochesterians who are officers in the Grand Commandery are: Brig. Gen. P. J. Weir, man, Grand President; Capt. John G. Bittner, 2nd Grand Vice President; Grand Treasurer, Col. Joseph P. Wenzelmann and 2nd Col. Al G. Miller, Capt. Frank Diet, Grand Messenger.

High light of the convention will be competitive drilling by both the men and ladies drill teams. Saturday night at 7 p. m. is scheduled the street parade. On Sunday morning a Solemn Pontifical Mass will be offered. Closing meeting will start at 3 p. m. on Sunday.

Teams from the Rochester Regiments taking part in the competitive drill will be: Commandery No. 40 of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Captain John G. Bittner, Auxiliary No. 43, also of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Capt. H. P. Pien, Auxiliary No. 47 of St. Boniface Church, Capt. John Miller, Auxiliary No. 232 of St. Andrew Church, Capt. Eleanor Senger, Auxiliary No. 236 of St. Michael's Church, Capt. Louis Weitzel and the District Auxiliary drill team Capt. Helen Bittner.

Captain John G. Bittner and his Commandery No. 40 team and Captain John Miller, Auxiliary No. 47 team will be out to repeat their victory of last year at Supreme Convention at Cleveland when they won First and Third places.

Notre Dame Men Plan Retreat

Members of the Notre Dame Club of Rochester are planning to attend a laymen's closed retreat at the diocesan retreat house of Our Lady of the Lake, Geneva on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 23, 24 and 25, according to Joseph M. Geraghty, president.

General Chairman William R. Bell expects about 40 alumni of the South Bend institution to make the retreat.

Reservations are being made with Chairman Bell and club secretary C. Donald Scott.

Marks Birthday No. 102
London (NC) — Believed to be the oldest Catholic in England, Austin Cook Smith, of Earlsham, Norfolk, has celebrated his 102nd birthday.

Commemorate School Sisters' Centenary



One Hundredth Anniversary of the School Sisters of Notre Dame was marked in a program at Holy Family auditorium with these Holy Family school children participating. Top row (from left) Mother Mary Caroline, first Mother in America, Angeline Loria in role; Mother Mary Theresa, foundress; Carolyn Krebs; second row (from left) Candidate, Margaret Velti; Nevela Marcella Baumann; Juniors, Joanne Lehner and Ruth Heger; Angels, Marilyn Huestler, Jeanne Dikhus, Marlene Andrews, Marianne Thomsen, Marjorie Leo and Rosemary Lehner.

BOY'S ORATORY Dedication of Newman Club Wins MEDALS Chapel at Cornell Slated

Two top oratorical honors were won by speakers in the Nazareth Hall Oratorical Contest following presentation of a patriotic program Friday evening, Apr. 25, at the boys' school.

First prize, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney Gold Medal, went to John K. Coyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Coyle of Kimbark Rd. for his topic "United We Stand."

Charles E. Curran, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Curran of Rock St. won second prize, the Most Rev. John F. O'Brien Memorial Medal, for his presentation of "The American Constitution."

Other speakers were Robert W. Bryan, Robert N. Kleisley, Jerome J. Kuhn, Thomas P. Noonan, Michael J. Murray and J. Kevin Mahoney.

Rev. Donald J. Murphy, Rev. Francis J. Taylor and Attorney John L. Keenan acted as judges in the contest.

Presentation of the awards will be made at Commencement Exercises by the Rev. Joseph Dorsey, C. S. B.

Ithaca — Dedication of Our Lady's Chapel, at the Newman Oratory, 614 Stewart Avenue, will take place on Saturday, May 3, at 10 a. m. The Most Reverend Bishop James E. Kearney will officiate.

The dedication, an official rite of the Church for the consecration of a new building, is a part of a program centering about the Oratory.

At ten o'clock the Bishop will celebrate the dedication Mass and administer the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. A luncheon in honor of the Bishop will follow at 12 p. m. The Oratory will be open for a reception for students and faculty members.

The chapel, under construction since the beginning of the spring semester, will be called Our Lady's Chapel and will be dedicated to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. This theme has been carried throughout the decoration of the chapel.

Stained glass windows bear inscriptions and pictures representative of particular devotions and scenes devoted to the Blessed Virgin.

RED LEANINGS DENIED BY A.V.C. POST

To clarify the status of the American Veterans Committee and to correct public misconception that all of its members have leftist leanings, Matthew T. Piccolo Memorial Post has gone on record stating its full support of American ideals.

A resolution signed by Louis Forace, chairman; the Rev. Francis Vogt, chaplain; Anthony Marcella, secretary; and Don J. Volpe, judge advocate, was unanimously adopted at the April 21 meeting. The resolution states:

"WHEREAS, we feel that the American Veterans Committee is fast becoming discredited and misrepresented to the American public by reason of the actions of a small minority of its members, we, the members of Matthew T. Piccolo Memorial Post, do hereby unanimously resolve:

1. To support the President of the United States and the Congress in their efforts to keep World Peace by taking a strong stand against any action or coalition of nations who would threaten it.

2. To support the National Planning Committee of the American Veterans Committee wholeheartedly in its announced campaign to eradicate from American Veterans Committee, all communists, their fellow travelers, subversives and all those who seek to undermine or overthrow the democratic form of government of the United States or its institutions."

Altar Unit Sets Rummage Sale

St. Helen's Altar Society has set Wednesday and Thursday, May 7 and 8, as the dates for a rummage sale to be conducted at 216 W. Main St. from 8:30 a. m. to 9 p. m.

Mrs. Clement Deneth, chairman of the affair, will be assisted by the following ladies: Madam Henry Goodlin, Anthony D. Salvo, Raymond Moore, Russell Stark, Theodore Case, Edward Holland, Dennis Cooney, Gregory Shortall, William Marice, George Connor, Raymond Quetelbach, Philip Thieling, Edwin Testelino and Frank George.

Donations may be left at the school hall on Hinchey Rd.

Mass Set Here For Dr. Mahoney

(Other Story on Page 11) — A solemn Requiem Mass for the late Rev. Dr. William J. Mahoney, C. M., president of St. John's University, Brooklyn, and former Dean of Niagara University, Rochester Extension, will be offered in Corpus Christi Church, Rochester, Friday, May 2, at 10 a. m. Celebrant will be the Rev. Emmett F. Magee with the Rev. Magr. Joseph E. Grady, Deacon, and the Rev. Daniel J. Blundin, C. M., and Father Mahoney's successor as Dean of Niagara University, as Sub-deacon.

Wins Scholarship
Lima — Suzanne M. Harvey a student of St. Rose School in the eighth grade, is receiving the congratulations of her friends on winning a four year scholarship to Sacred Heart Academy in Rochester.

Card Party Set At St. Monica's

St. Monica's Rosary Society will hold its Spring Card party Thursday evening, May 8 at 8:30 p. m. in the church hall. Honorary chairman is Mrs. Frank G. Shaughnessy, president of the society.

Mrs. Eugene Rosse and Mrs. Robert Wilbur are acting as co-chairmen. Hostesses are Mrs. Chris Ervin, Mrs. Margaret Thoney, Mrs. Edward Lutz, Mrs. Leo Hogan, Mrs. John McCarthy, Mrs. Norman Bitter, Mrs. Mae Robinson, Mrs. Stephen Duffy, Mrs. Margaret McCarthy, Miss Olive Hasenauer, Mrs. E. J. Mahoney, Mrs. A. J. Griffin, Mrs. Ivo Hoffman, Mrs. Eugene Ferick, Mrs. Thomas Hynes, Mrs. Orr Sixbey, Mrs. George Powers, Miss Anne Toomey, Mrs. Paul Van Kerkhove, Mrs. Charles Donnelly, Miss Elizabeth Murray, Mrs. John Carroll, Mrs. Alma Bateman, Mrs. Edward Lenahan.

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The Very Rev. Dr. William J. Mahoney, C. M., president of St. John's University, Brooklyn and former Dean of the College of Business Administration, Niagara University, in Rochester and Niagara Falls died April 28, 1947 in Brooklyn.

Death came to Father Mahoney shortly after celebrating the 8:30 a. m. Mass in the Church of St. John the Baptist which adjoins St. John's College.

Dean of the Rochester Extension of Niagara University from 1934 to 1942 when appointed president of St. John's University, Father Mahoney had also been psychology at St. Mary's Hospital School for Nursing for ten years.

Father Mahoney was 51 years of age.

Born in Brooklyn he attended public schools and St. John's High School in Brooklyn before going to the Assioli School in Germantown, Pa. He attended St. Joseph's College in Princeton, N. J. and the Vincentian Seminary in Germantown. After his Ordination in 1922, he studied canon law in Rome.

From his early school days, Dr. Mahoney enjoyed athletics. He was an ardent swimmer and baseball player in college, and in recent years became an enthusiastic golfer.

After receiving the degree of Doctor of Canon Law at the College of St. Thomas in Rome, he joined the faculty of St. John's University, serving for a time as assistant director of the seminary. He went to Niagara University in 1930, becoming dean of the College of Business Administration in 1935.

During the celebration two years ago of the Diamond Jubilee of St. John's University, Dr. Mahoney opened a campaign to raise \$1,000,000 for construction of buildings on the college's new site at Hillcrest, L. I. He was scheduled to speak on Thursday at the luncheon opening the Greater New York Fund campaign.

Dr. Mahoney was keenly interested in the educational problems of young war veterans. A few days ago he announced plans for the erection of temporary buildings adjoining the down town building of the university at 95 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, to provide additional facilities for ex-servicemen, starting with the fall term.

Besides his sister, Mrs. McLaughlin, Dr. Mahoney leaves a brother in Oregon, and twelve nephews and nieces.

Diocesan NCCW Revises Rules at Geneva Meet

Revision of the constitution of the Rochester Council, National Council of Catholic Women, was effected at a conference which drew more than 250 women from all over the Diocese to Geneva.

The quarterly conference was the first meeting held in Geneva's new Civic Center.

Early part of the program which began at 8 in the afternoon included reports of the various diocesan presidents at the N. C. C. W. who acted as follows:

ARRIVALS from the various women's groups, mission guilds and parish societies. Mrs. Frank T. Curtis, Diocesan president, presided.

Structure and program of the Council were explained and discussed in a panel presentation by the Rev. Albert J. Shannon, diocesan director. Taking part in the discussions were the Misses Gertrude Conley of Auburn, Madeline McLennan, Canby, and Little Abate.

Women's Bill Approved
In an address by Mrs. Arthur P. Faxon, Rochester pointed out that although there was opposition to the women's bill because it did away with the traditional rights of women, the new bill is more in accordance with Christian principles.

Miss Mary Rose Miley, R. N., of Rochester told the conference that the intentions of Planned Parenthood are the same as those of good Christians, namely "decrease of juvenile delinquency, sterility and the population of happy family life." But that these intentions are not in line with the teachings of the Church.

At the close of the conference, Mrs. Shannon announced that the meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Manning, 315 Dartmouth St.

Currently the bureau is building its talks to a diverse group of women.

"We want the same objectives," stated Miss Miley, "but they must be achieved by good means. Parenthood is breaking God's and nature's law which makes their program wrong by Catholic Precept and Law."

Necessity of having trained leaders and speakers and active programs in the organization was stressed by the Rev. John T. Callahan, Rochester diocesan director.

Leaders Needed
"Participation in the apostolate of the laity requires more than just the bare bones of organization," Father Callahan stressed. "It requires the active participation of men and women."

In his address at the dinner meeting in Hotel Geneva, Father Shannon emphasized a similar point, calling attention of the women to their obligation of participating in parochial programs in answer to the call of the Holy Father, the bishops and their own priests for "more vigorous and active participation."

Mass of Corpus Christi
The Rosary Society of Corpus Christi Church will hold its 60th Annual Communion Breakfast in the Church Hall on Friday morning, May 2, at 9 o'clock. A committee of men from the Holy Name Society are in charge. Reservations are being taken care of by Mrs. William Egan, Culver 2-6734, and Mrs. Fred Beckwith, Culver 2-6634.

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