Ladies of Charity Committees Report On Activities During Holiday Season

By MARGARET KENNEDY

Helen Murphy reports on the doings of the Infant of Prague Committee during the past week. They held their regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Edward F. Dawes on Dec. 12. Twenty-two members were present and all voted to assist on the new St. Vincent's Project. Mrs. Gertrude Clary was named hospital chairman to replace Mrs. Mines. Following the meeting a Christmas party was held and gifts were exchanged.

"Delicious refreshments adorned the evening," Helen states. The members of this committee held the annual Christmas party for the children who are patients at St. Joseph's Hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 21. All members of the committee were on hand to take part in the festivities. The party was in charge of Clara Lynch and Josephine Sorenda, assisted by Patricia Scanlon, Alice Gilley, Margaret Hammond and Josephine Caporella.

From Mother Seton Committee we hear that their Annual Christmas party at the County Farm at Bonaparte was a big success. The party was held on Dec. 14. The Boys' Choir of St. Patrick's Church, accompanied by Miss Carolin and Sister Ellen sang Christmas carols again this year, going to the infirmary and through the halls and to the main dining room where the remainder of the entertainment was given.

Marvin Johnson and Glenn Updyke of the Southern Tier Cinema Club entertained with movies which were a special treat to the home and Harry Foley played and sang several selections which were especially enjoyed by the older residents.

Following the program, gifts and candy were distributed to each one and ice cream and cakes were served. The members of the committee are grateful to Beta Upsilon Chapter of Beta Sigma Psi for gifts which were distributed by Miss Jane Stowell and Miss Ann Colucci. They also wish to thank Father John Murphy, Charles O'Hara, Gordon Creighton, Mr. Foley, Ronald Proctor, Mrs. Francis O'Connor and Mrs. Elizabeth Davis for the use of their cars.

St. Rose of Lima. Committee met at the home of Miss Helen Reisel, committee advisor, on Monday evening, Dec. 9. Plans for their Christmas project were discussed and each member furnished a gift which was taken to a lady who is a resident of the Home for the Aged. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

The general assembly was enjoyed by many Ladies of Charity and their friends. Father Naughton's talk gave us a challenge to consider ourselves in a position to set an example by our behavior. Guardian Angel Committee is to be commended for the enjoyable social hour and delicious refreshments which they supplied. It is hoped that any prospective members who attended and who are interested in learning more about the work of Ladies of Charity, will immediately contact Miss Frances Battersby.

A substantial gift of money was presented to the Dominican Sisters at Christmas through the contributions of the various committees.

All Committees of Ladies of Charity participated in the spiritual bouquets which were sent to Father Schwab and Mrs. McCormack for Christmas.

Guardian Angel Committee reported that they furnished dinner for a family known to Catholic Charities and a sum of money was given to the mother of this family. Members also presented gifts individually to their Little Sisters.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Committee, through special donations of its members, bought gifts for each member of one family and gave them a gift of money. This committee also supplied a dinner for three families.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Committee supplied a complete outfit of clothing for a boy who recently lost his mother.

St. Anne de Beaupre supplied gifts and a dinner for an elderly lady. They also supplied gifts and made personal visits to each patient on second floor medical and fourth surgical at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Our Lady of Nazareth Committee took care of dinners and gifts for two families. One family had a small child and the other was a family of two old people.

The Executive Council was scheduled to meet on Wednesday evening, Jan. 7, and we hope by next week to have more news, not only from the council meeting but from the various committees.

Londoners Get Food

Melbourne, Australia—(NC)—A consignment of food for sick and needy London children has been sent from Catholics here as a wedding gift to Princess Elizabeth. The Australian Catholic Welfare Organization has sent the princess a paperweight of black onyx and Australian gold inset with 34 squares of varying types of Australian opal.

Corning Weddings

Hammond - Sonner

Corning — The marriage of Miss Ellen E. Hammond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Hammond, Big Flats, and Charles G. Sonner, Jr., was solemnized Saturday, Jan. 3, in St. Patrick's Church. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edmund A. Hawkinson performed the ceremony.

Attending the couple were Mrs. Marion Moore and John Bobbrick. Robert McFall and John Bigelow ushered.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents. Later Mr. and Mrs. Sonner left for a brief trip. Upon their return they will live at 253 E. Second St.

The bride, a graduate of Northside High School, has been employed as a secretary at Corning Glass Works. Mr. Sonner, also a glass works employe, is a graduate of Corning Free Academy.

Davis - Metzkier

Miss Betty L. Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis, 12 Pleasant St., became the bride of Richard E. Metzkier, son of Detective Sergeant and Mrs. Edmund Metzkier of Hackensack, N. J., Monday, Dec. 29, in St. Vincent de Paul's Church. The Rev. J. Edward McKay, assistant pastor, performed the ceremony.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Miss Gloria Bierwiler of Corning. Donald Reuter of Hackensack, was best man. Clifford Rockwell, cousin of the bride, ushered.

A breakfast and reception at the home of the bride's parents followed the ceremony. Later the couple left by motor for Stillwater, Okla., where they are students at Oklahoma A. and M. College.

A graduate of Northside High School, the bride attended Alfred University for a time. Mr. Metzkier attended Hackensack schools and Syracuse and Alfred Universities before entering service with the Navy. He is a student of engineering at Oklahoma.

Father Lord on Radio

St. Louis— (NC) — The Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S.J., spiritual organizer of the Sodality of Our Lady, will speak on the Church of the Air program Sunday, Jan. 11 at 9:30 a. m., C.S.T., over the Columbia Broadcasting System.

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