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IN POLISH FALCON GAMES



Senior Class of Falconettes who participated in National Athletic Convention of Polish Falcons of America at Hamtramck, Mich. They left Auburn to travel by boat from Buffalo on July 23. In front (from left) Betty Pleluzczak, Josephine Fronczek and Barbara Warwick; in rear (from left) Stephanie Dec, Cecelia Dusek, Stella Chok, Marie Nowak, Lottie Dzurzynski and Stella Pils.

Sport Contests Feature Picnic Of Parish Unit

Various features and athletic contests marked the annual picnic of St. Michael's Society of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Auburn, held Sunday afternoon and evening, July 18, at Emerson Park on Owasso Lake. Members, families and friends gathered in large numbers and enjoyed the many activities.

Mrs. Lucia Addabbo, oldest mother in the assemblage, was presented a bouquet, and flowers were bestowed on the oldest couple, Mr. and Mrs. Vito Settembre, who recently celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary.

Special guests of the society for the event were Mr. and Mrs. Louis DePasquale, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Savino and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Netti of New York and Michael Cristenello of Syracuse. Refreshments were served throughout the day. Winners of contests were as follows:

100 yard dash (men), J. Zamblino, 100 yard dash (girls), J. Netti, 100 yard dash (boys), J. Savino, sack race (men), J. De Pasquale, sack race (girls), J. Netti, sack race (boys), N. Netti, shoe race (men), L. Spinelli, shoe race (boys), V. Pastore, tug of war, L. Spinelli's team, two-legged race, L. DePasquale, F. Pastore, wheelbarrow race, M. Spinelli and J. Nicolas, watermelon contest, V. Pastore, egg contest, M. Millio and T. Nocelli.

Committeemen were refreshments—J. Moschetti, M. Netti, D. Spinelli, M. DePasquale, P. Lottito, entertainment, J. Nardelli, C. DeLino, J. Netti, N. Addabbo, B. Lacarino, R. Richards and B. Calipetro.

Auburn Kiddies In Vacation School



Giving up vacation time to learn more about their religion, Auburn children attended a 4-week vacation school of St. Francis Church, Auburn which closes this Thursday. Here a group is working on baskets decorated with pictures from Christmas Cards. In the rear (from left) are Frances Myers, Sister Ann Theresa and Sister Mary Stephanie, of Missionary Sisters of the Most Blessed Trinity, instructors; Peter Armenia; front row (from left) Mary Vitale, David Dello-Stritto, Anita Tricca and Eugene Finizio. The classes enjoyed instructions in woodcraft, leathercraft, sewing and painting.

Father Wheaton Gets New Navy Post in Panama Zone

Chaplain John K. Wheaton, Lieutenant Commander of the United States Navy, has been transferred to the Panama Canal Zone as District Chaplain, 15th Naval Reserve, it was learned this week on Father Wheaton's visit home.

With headquarters at Balboa on the Pacific side of the Canal Zone, Chaplain Wheaton will have four other Navy chaplains serving under him. He has just completed 18 months at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Chelsea, Mass.

FIRST PRIEST of Rochester Diocese to enlist in the Navy, Father Wheaton entered the service in October, 1941, and has remained in since that time. He served as Senior Catholic Chaplain at Sampson Naval Training Center after a tour of duty in the combat areas of the Pacific.

Before assignment to Sampson he was aboard the U. S. S. Helena, which was sunk in the Battle of Kula Gulf. Following that engagement Chaplain Wheaton was awarded the Purple Heart.

While enroute to his new post, Father Wheaton is visiting his father, Henry K. Wheaton, and his sister, Mrs. Morris Styles, 202 Woodbine Ave., Rochester.



REV. JOHN K. WHEATON

Prison Chaplain Stresses Problems of Aged Persons

Need for greater consideration of the aged was stressed by the Rev. Gregory Dugan, chaplain at Auburn State Prison, in an address before the Auburn Lions Club on Wednesday, July 21.

Speaking on "Life in a State Institution" Father Dugan spoke mainly of his experiences as chaplain in the Monroe County Home prior to his coming to Auburn six years ago.

THE PRIEST NOTED that all elderly persons, no matter why they are confined, seem to "want to get out." He told of a couple who one day walked away from the County Home and, despite their age successfully found a dwelling. They then called the relief office for aid. They stayed away for a year, Father related, but eventually their falling health forced them to return to the institution.

As men and women become old and feeble, the chaplain said, many change their disposition. "Men sometimes become like children," he declared, "and have to be handled as such." Principal duty of the chaplain he added, is to listen to their queries and soothe their feelings.

Dwelling briefly on his work in Auburn prison, Father Dugan pointed out that all men over 21 of sound mind who commit a felony are sent to Sing Sing if they live in the Metropolitan area, and to Attica if they reside outside. The overflow of these institutions generally is sent to the Auburn prison, he said.

Last Rites Held For Sister Rita, St. Joseph Nun

Funeral services for Sister Rita Schantz of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph were held Tuesday morning, July 27, 1948, at the Motherhouse in Pittsford.

Sister Rita died Sunday, July 25, 1948, in St. Mary's Hospital after a brief illness.

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay assisted by the Rev. John S. Whalen, deacon, the Rev. Paul G. Wohlrab, subdeacon, the Rev. William M. Hart, master of ceremonies, the Rev. Elmer McNamara and the Rev. Paul Gibbons, acolytes.

IN THE SANCTUARY were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Connors, the Rev. Joseph Gefell and the Rev. Louis Erdman. Blessing of the grave in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery was imparted by Father Gefell, assisted by Monsignor Shay, the Rev. Charles McCarthy and the Reverend Fathers Wohlrab, Gibbons and Hart.

Sister Rita entered the community in 1911 and spent the first 15 years of her religious life as housekeeper at the Motherhouse. At the time of her death, she was housekeeper at Holy Rosary convent.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. May Wagner and Mrs. Florence Feige, both of Rochester, and Mrs. Eva Perkins of Spencerport.

Sisters in South To Edit Primer

St. Augustine, Fla., NC. A committee of eleven teaching Sisters from eight different religious communities, representing the Catholic school systems in Alabama, Georgia and Florida, is at work here in an effort to adopt a common course of study in all subjects for the first to the fourth grades.

It is planned to have another committee of Sisters undertake a similar work for the fifth to the eighth grades in the summer of 1949 and thus provide an integrated course of studies for Catholic elementary schools of the three dioceses in the South.

Work of the Sisters in St. Augustine has attracted attention of Catholic educators in other parts of the South and the course of studies may be adopted by other dioceses in the 1949-50 school year. The work aims at relating Catholic social teaching more closely to the subject matter in the course studied in the earlier grades.

THE COMMITTEE expects to have prepared by summer's end one teaching manual for each grade from the first to the fourth. The group's work is based on the Catholic curriculum for elementary schools "Guiding Growth in Christian Social Living" by Sisters Mary Joan and Mary Nona, published by the Commission on American Citizenship at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C.

Bishops Joseph P. Hurley of St. Augustine, Thomas J. Toolen of Mobile, and Gerald P. O'Hara of Savannah Atlanta, are coordinators in the tri-State plan to achieve the highest ideals of Catholic education through social teaching.

Diocesan Women's Council To Advance Mrs. Curtin for National Director Post

(anandagwa) — Mrs. Frank T. Curtin, past president of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, will be recommended for election to the board of directors of the National Council during its annual convention at New Orleans in September.

Rochester diocesan delegates to the Louisiana convention will advance the name of Mrs. Curtin to fill a vacancy on the national board, it was announced following the quarterly session of the DCCW, here Sunday afternoon, July 25.

ANNUAL CONVENTION of the DCCW is scheduled on Oct. 27 in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce building, the executive board announced. It will be opened with a High Mass in St. Mary's Church at 9:30 a. m.

Principal discussion at the quarterly meeting held in St. Mary's Church here centered around the constitution and amendments proposed for adoption at the October convention. Explanation of the amendments was made by Mrs. Robert Simmons, DCCW parliamentarian.

Delegates expressed appreciation to the Rev. John B. Kientges, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church for his description of a pilgrimage he and three other priests made recently to Fatima, Portugal.

WAYS AND MEANS to finance the trip of the delegates to New Orleans will include a rummage sale to be conducted Sept. 1 and 2 according to Mrs. Richard Kaly, DCCW president who will be one of the delegates. Mrs. George Snyder, Auburn deanery, is the other alternate. Mrs. Curtin and Mrs. Harry Coniff of Rochester, deanery.

The quarterly session adopted a resolution of sympathy on the death of Mrs. Thomas A. Lynch, who died July 3, whose service as president of the Geneva Deanery, DCCW, a High Mass for Mrs. Lynch, requested by the Council, will be offered soon in St. Mary's Church.

Mrs. Harry Tobias, former vice-president of the Geneva Deanery, has succeeded Mrs. Lynch as head of the deanery unit.

At Mass 105 Times Yearly Amsterdam, Holland, NC. The average Dutch Catholic attends Mass 105 times a year, according to a recent survey by the official Institute of Statistics here. It also showed that 31 per cent of Dutch Catholics attend Mass more than once a week, and 11 per cent attend daily.

Geneva Girl Wins Nursing Diploma

Miss Mary Jane Moran, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Moran of 21 Richards Ave. Geneva, was graduated Sunday, July 18, from Sisters of Charity Hospital, Buffalo. Graduation exercises were held in St. Vincent's Church.

Miss Moran is a graduate of De Sales High School. Attending from Geneva were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Moran, Harry Jr. and Joanne Moran, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jennings and Rita and Betty Jennings, Jane and Helen Marie Ferris and Jane McCreedy.

Chinese Children Aided By Mobile Clinic

Shanghai, RN. A church sponsored health center on wheels has completed its first four months of operation, having aided 2,000 boys and girls in nine institutions.

Originator of the clinic is the Rev. Frederick A. McGuire of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. Aiding in its operation costs are the Canadian Aid to China Committee and United Service to China, which includes a Protestant relief agency.

3 Irish Priests Coming Fresno, NC. Eight young Irish priests, graduates of All Hallows' College, Dublin, have been ordained to serve in the Diocese of Monterey, Fresno. It has been announced by the Diocese Chancery here.

THE EAST AVENUE retreat house is now open for private retreatants, but no schedule for group retreats has been prepared, since the house is still being furnished and readied for the opening.

A temporary chapel has been erected in one of the spacious rooms, where daily Mass is said. The chapel is open to the public for Mass or meditation.

The special work of the Cenacle religious is the conducting of preached and private retreats for women and girls of every profession. Preached retreats will be given at fixed times. Private retreats may be made at the convenience of individuals.

Another important project of the nuns is the instruction of preschool children, between the ages of 3 and 5 years and the preparation of older children for the sacraments of Penance, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation. The nuns also instruct non-Catholic women desirous of learning about the Catholic Church, or those contemplating conversion.

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Auburn Club To Hear Of Displaced Person Problem

Auburn—George Montgomery, representative of Rochester Catholic Charities, will discuss the displaced persons problem at the monthly meeting of the First Friday Supper Club on Friday, Aug. 6 at 8:15 p. m. in the K. of C. Home.

Montgomery, who currently is on leave of absence from Rochester Catholic Charities to attend Buffalo University, helps plan the DP program for the Rochester Diocese. He will return to Rochester in about a month to resume his work with adolescents at the Catholic Charities, where he has been for the past 7 years.

William Murley, chairman of the First Friday Supper Club, has requested that all reservations be made not later than Wednesday, Aug. 4.

Dr. Daugente Heads Geneva Lions Club

Dr. Caesar J. Daugente was named first president of the Geneva Lions club at the first meeting at Hotel Seneca, Geneva, on Friday, July 23.

The new club has 23 charter members. Other officers are: Dr. Charles Willmarth, first vice-president; Amelia Rizzo, secretary; Giles W. Reynolds, treasurer; Robert F. McFarland, lion tamer; Byron L. Starr, tail twister.

Named as directors for one year were Dr. Thomas King and Cecil Newton. Two year directors are Robert F. Lannon and Cosmo Ross.

Geneva Couple Pledged to Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Nelson, 10 Madison St., Geneva, have announced the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jean, to Robert Ransford, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Ransford, 60 High St.

The wedding will take place Sept. 4 in St. Stephen's Church. Miss Nelson is a graduate of De Sales High school and Eastman Lental School, Rochester. Ransford is a veteran of World War II. He is a graduate of De Sales High school and St. Bonaventure college.

Charity by Bankers Urged Rome — RN — An appeal that bankers practice charity by helping to relieve the misery of the postwar world was made by Pope Pius XII at an audience to the staff of the Rome office of the Greek Bank of Italy.

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