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At School Rite



REV. G. J. SCHMITT

Cornerstone To Be Placed In St. Anne School

Cornerstone for the new \$200,000 St. Anne's School on Brighton Park corner East Henrietta Road Rochester will be laid by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney at 3 p. m., Saturday, Oct. 2, according to the Rev. George J. Schmitt, pastor.

Pastors of neighboring parishes including the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Connors, the Very Rev. Gerald C. Lambert, the Rev. Walter J. Kohl, and the Rev. Francis W. Ludy have been invited to take part in the ceremony. Superintendents of hospitals in the area, Strong, Municipal, County, State, Iola, Genesee have been invited.

Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will follow the outdoor ceremonies, Father Schmitt said.

THE SCHOOL, work on which began in November, 1947 is expected to be completed in about a month and a half but Father Schmitt said it is planned not to open it in mid term but in January, 1949.

Constructed of brick and Indiana limestone the school will consist of 8 classrooms and an auditorium with modern equipment and conveniences. The basement will eventually house bowling alleys and furnish clubrooms.

Frank M. Quinn is the architect with Frank G. Maggio and Brothers Inc. handling construction.

Rites Planned To Mark Erection of Outdoor Grotto

A festival in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes is being planned by Mrs. Michael Spagnolo to celebrate the erection of a permanent shrine at her home 20 E. McDon Street, Saturday, Oct. 2.

The grotto, which is being constructed by Mr. Spagnolo on the side of the house is of cement blocks with a ceiling of bricks. The face of the shrine will be enclosed in glass and the sides will be closed with stone when completed.

The Rev. Nicholas Alletto will officiate at the blessing of the grotto on Saturday at 6 p. m. after which Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be given and the rosary recited.

A street dance will be held in the evening starting at 8 p. m.

X-Ray Unit Downtown
Iola Sanatorium's mobile X-ray unit will be parked downtown for four consecutive Wednesdays beginning Oct. 6 according to an announcement received from Mrs. Rosalia Lutz, R. N. Field Secretary with the Tuberculosis and Health Association of Rochester and Monroe Counties.

Utica Knight Greeted At New Club



His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, supreme spiritual adviser of the Knights of St. John of North America, greets Raymond L. Schultz, of Utica, (left) principal lay speaker at the opening of the new Knights of St. John and Ladies Clubhouse, 365 Andrews St., Rochester. Leo G. Hosenfeld, club president and supreme counsel of the order (right) joined in greeting.

Knights Called To Wage Fight On Secularism

"You are the challenge to a secular world bedraggled in the mire of false and atheistic philosophies," members of Rochester Regiment, Knights of St. John and Ladies Auxiliaries, were told at the formal opening of their new clubhouse, 365 Andrews St., Saturday evening.

Speaker was Raymond L. Schultz of Utica, a Knight of St. John and member of the K of C Speakers Bureau, that city.

More than 250 knights and ladies attended the dinner, at which His Excellency Bishop Kearney, supreme chaplain of the order, was guest of honor.

The Bishop told them that establishment of a central meeting point for all units joined the local organizations in a closer fellowship than previously existed.

SUCH UNITY is necessary today, His Excellency said "when the forces of Communism are working on a divide and conquer basis. They have sought disunity on the university campus, in government between capital and labor and, yes even in religion."

Schultz, who is an instructor in the Veterans Administration Rehabilitation Unit in Utica, called upon the knights and ladies to exert every effort not only to educate their children in the knowledge and love of God but to organize a movement to advocate the moral education of every child.

Warning that secularism is the exclusion of God from human thinking and living the Utica knight called for an eight-fold program to combat it. He recommended:

1. **BEGIN TO** make America strong. Physically, not because we believe might makes right but because might must be always ready to defend right. How ever more emphatically, we must make America strong morally by teaching our children sixty percent of whom reach manhood in a war-torn world without any form of religious education—that God is their creator and from Him, derived all liberty and rights.

"We must stand opposed to the abolition of released time in public schools for religious education. We must make our action positive by informing our legislators that our rights are to be respected as well as those of the Atheists—and remember an Atheist never has democracy."

"We must help the oppressed peoples of the world. This means not only the starving of Europe and Asia but our own exploited laboring classes."

3. We must take an active part in our civic life a keen interest in the labor union to which

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Graves Blessed By Bishop At Holy Sepulchre

Honoring the dead should make survivors conscious of the "futility of this life and the value and reality of the next." His Excellency, Bishop Kearney told the crowd of people who gathered Sunday in Holy Sepulchre for the annual blessing of the graves.

Comparing the repetition of the season, the Bishop told the group gathered in front of All Souls Chapel "As it is His will that the seasons should follow each other, so it is His will that we should continue to honor the dead."

A PROCESSION of nearly 500 accompanied the Bishop through the paths of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. With him were the Rev. Robert Keleher, pastor of St. Charles Borromeo Church, and the Rev. Michael J. Tydings, assistant pastor of St. Anthony's Church.

Also participating were Knights of St. John, priests of the diocese and students of St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries. The procession started at St. Bernard's Seminary, passing down Lake Avenue to the east entrance of the cemetery. At All Souls Chapel students sang Psalms from the Vespers of the Dead. Then the group moved to the Bishops' crypt where Bishop Kearney blessed the graves of Archbishop Hickey and Bishop O'Hern.

Winding its way back to the gate and across Lake Avenue into the western section of the cemetery, the group sang Dies Irae and Benedictus.

The Bishop was assisted by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Wilfrid T. Craugh, rector of St. Bernard's Seminary and the Rev. Dr. John E. Maney.

Men's Club Will Fete 'Dick' Toole

Richard J. Toole, widely known for his civic and community activities will be particularly honored for his work in Our Lady of Good Counsel parish at a "Dick Toole Night," Thursday, Oct. 14.

Sponsored by the Mens Club of the parish in which he was a leader, the testimonial will take place at a clam bake to be held at Dalry's Wishing Well, 1190 Hill Ave.

Occasion for the "Dick Toole Night" has occurred because of his planning to move out of the parish to take up residence elsewhere, the committee states.

One of the pioneers in the parish, Toole has made generous contributions of time and effort in the parish and has held several offices in the Good Counsel Mens Club. The Parish Bulletin in announcing the testimonial states: "You who know him need no explanation of our reaction to this if you don't know him, we can't explain."

David B. Brady will be program chairman with Vincent Elman in charge of tickets.

K. C. Women Meet

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary will hold its October business meeting Thursday evening, Oct. 8 at 8:15 p. m. at the Sheraton Hotel with Mrs. Raymond L. Nary presiding. Hostesses are Mesdames James V. Crowley, Fred G. Kalb, Fred Peters, Hugh Brady. Card playing will follow the business session.

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Beads Asked For Missions

A request for all kinds of jewelry beads suitable for making rosaries for the missions is being circulated by the Wisconsin Council of Catholic Women. Strands of the beads, particularly long ones, and broken rosaries, will be gratefully received at the Catholic Evidence Library in the lobby of Columbus Civic Centre.

ROCHESTER: Local Board of Education figures disclosed that this Catholic number was 65% of the total city registration. Over 20,000 other city school pupils did not request the optional religion classes from their churches.

On the national scene, following the Supreme Court ruling, nearly all states have forbidden religious instruction in public school buildings. Father Schnacky stated, Vermont, Kansas, Michigan and Illinois, have completely cancelled all instruction programs. New York, California, Indiana, Maine, Minnesota, Virginia, Pennsylvania and others still permit public school children to use school hours for instruction off school property.

Guild To Map Card Party At Meeting

St. Elizabeth's Guild will meet Tuesday, Oct. 5 at 2 p. m. in Columbus Civic Centre with Mrs. Charles J. Du Rocher presiding. Final arrangements will be completed for the annual card party to be held November 5 at Blessed Sacrament auditorium. Hostesses are Mesdames Harry Rockwell, Joseph Schurr, Patrick McCarthy and Austin Hetzel.

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Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours are scheduled in the following churches of the Rochester Diocese:

Friday, Oct. 1—Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rochester.

Sunday, Oct. 3—Our Lady of Good Council, Holy Cross, Rochester; St. Hyacinth, Auburn; St. Patrick, Danville; St. Mary, Canadawaga; St. Mary, Horseheads; St. Mary's of the Lake, Ontario.

Friday, Oct. 8—St. Andrew, Rochester.

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