

Selma Mission Gifts Planned By Fall's Group

Selma Falls—Christmas gifts again this year for the Sisters of St. Joseph mission at Selma, Alabama were planned by St. Patrick's Guild and Altar Society at a luncheon supper Monday. Approximately 60 members attended.

For the past two years, the Guild has shared its Christmas festivities with the members of the Selma Mission. Once again this year on Dec. 20 members will bring a gift to be forwarded to the Mission for distribution among the children at the Mission's Christmas party.

Mrs. Gorman McMillan, president, has asked that the gift be wrapped in Christmas paper and marked for boy or girl and the age group for which it is suitable. This saves the Sisters at the Mission much labor and detail.

THE MISSION is greatly in need of assistance at Christmas time as the Sisters are called upon to provide a Christmas party for many youngsters of all ages. It was also suggested that if anyone has books which their families have outgrown, new or used, they would undoubtedly afford some youngsters at Selma pleasure.

The mission work at Selma, Alabama, is carried on by the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Rochester Diocese. When the Guild first became interested in helping the Mission St. Francis Marie, who was the first Superior at the Mission, spoke to the members. She described in detail the hardships which the Sisters had to overcome in order to keep the Mission alive and the extensive work which had been accomplished there.

There will also be a gift exchange at the Christmas party, scheduled for December 20th, and each member, in addition to the gift for the children at Selma is requested to bring a small gift wrapped in Christmas paper, to be placed under the tree for distribution at the party. Mrs. Bernard Scannell is chairman of the social that evening and Miss Betty Hughes played several piano selections at the luncheon supper.

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Latest type of portable wheel chair is presented to Mercy Hospital, Auburn, by Fraternal Order of Eagles, of this city. Sister Aurelia, administration superintendent of the hospital, receives the gift from Mayor Edward T. Boyle, (right) as Eagle's president, William Churchill, (left) looks on. Gift was made Thursday, Nov. 18 and similar presentation was made to Auburn City Hospital. Chair may be folded for easy handling or storage when not in use.

Catholic Daughters Told St. Joan of Arc Story

Geneva—Life story of "Joan of Arc" was described by Rev. John Guy of Montezuma before 60 members of Court Geneva, Catholic Daughters of America, at the annual banquet Nov. 18, at The Armistice in Seneca Falls.

The guest speaker was formerly assistant to the pastor at St. Stephen's church here. Father Guy expressed high praise for the new movie, "Joan of Arc" which was released recently.

Address of welcome was given by Mrs. Ivan Haines, grand regent. Mrs. George Hall was toastmistress. Brief remarks were made by Rev. Mr. William H. McPadden, V.P., pastor of St. Stephen's church; Rev. Edward K. Ball, pastor of St. Francis de Sales church and chaplain of the court; and district deputy Mrs. Grace Patrick of North Rose.

Entertainment included an accordion solo by Miss Joyce Gray and vocal solos by Miss Mary Ann Handlan.

Three charter members of the court were introduced. They are Mrs. A. T. Mulcahy, Mrs. T. J. Malone, and Mrs. Lester McQuinn.

Mrs. William Egbert was banquet chairman, assisted by Mrs. John Toole, Mrs. Mary Souder, Mrs. Stephen Myers, Mrs. Vincent McLean, Mrs. Ivan Haines, Miss Margaret Gannon, and Mrs. Mary Enright.

Mrs. Joseph J. Lamanna Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lamanna, William St. called Nov. 19 for the European Theater for an indefinite period. Joseph is listed in the U. S. Army and received his basic training at Fort Bragg, N. C. He was stationed at Camp Kilmer, N. J., just previous to sailing.

Memorial Mass Said For Deceased CDA

Auburn—Annual memorial Mass for the deceased members of Court Auburn, Catholic Daughters of America, was said by Rev. Charles G. Lanzworthy, chaplain of the Court, at 7:30 a. m. Friday, Nov. 20 in St. Mary's Church. Also remembered were the deceased members of the 2,500 Courts throughout the country.

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Cornell Prof. Set As First Friday Speaker

Auburn—Professor John W. McDonald, professor of law at Cornell University, will be guest speaker at the December meeting of the First Friday Supper Club to be held in the dining room of the Knights of Columbus home Friday evening, Dec. 3.

Professor McDonald, in addition to being a member of the faculty of Cornell University, is Secretary and Director of the Law Revisions Commission of New York State and Advocate of Ithaca Council No. 277, Knights of Columbus.

The First Friday Supper Club, sponsored by the Catholic Activities Committee of Auburn Council, is open to all Catholic laymen of the city. Chairman William Murley has announced that the supper will be served at 6:15 and the price of tickets is 75 cents. All reservations should be made by calling at the Knights of Columbus home by Wednesday, Dec. 1.

Sports Night Set For Auburn K. C.

Auburn—The next event to be held in the fall program of Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus is scheduled for December 9 when the annual Sports Night program takes place.

Lecturer—Program Chairman Ned Hanlon and Council Activities Chairman Anthony D. Carbonaro, Jr. announced the guest speaker to be the popular radio sportscaster Bob Turner.

Mr. Turner, heard over station WHAM, Rochester, has many followers in Auburn. In addition to the guest speaker there will be other entertainment, including sports movies, John Kudas and his House Committee are in charge of supper arrangements.

Ronald Cox has been named General Chairman and will be assisted by Earl Fleetman, Charles W. Dayton, Joseph Emperor and John LaVarnway.

Pontifical Mass To Mark Feast Of St. Andrew

Inaugurating an annual custom, His Excellency, Bishop Kearney will officiate at Solemn Pontifical Mass on the Feast of St. Andrew, Tuesday, Nov. 30 in St. Andrew's Church, Portland Ave. at 9 a. m., according to the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward M. Lyons, rector of St. Andrew's Seminary.

A different church will be selected each year for the Mass. Assisting the Bishop will be: Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George M. Eckl; Deacons of Honor, the Rev. Walter Carroll and the Rev. Francis A. Miraki; Deacon, the Rev. T. Paul Murley and Subdeacon, the Rev. Joseph Lynch.

Students of St. Andrew's Seminary will furnish the choir under the direction of the Rev. William J. Riefer and will take the minor offices of the Mass.

Members of the St. Monica's Guild comprising mothers of priests and students have been invited. The members of St. Andrew's Seminary Lay Fraternity and parents of the students have also been invited.

K. of C. Auxiliary Elects Mrs. Welch

Auburn—Ladies Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, at a meeting held Wednesday evening, Nov. 17 in the K. of C. home, elected the following officers for 1949:

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Leaders of St. Alphonsus CWV Post



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The evening came to a climax when Rev. Robert Dobbertin, Spiritual Advisor, played a record for the girls which was made by their leaders, Miss Carlotta Anton and Miss Caroline Casper while on their vacation through the middle west this fall. Also with Miss Casper and Miss Anton were the Misses Augusta and Marguerite Weaver.

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CWV Head On Visit Lauds Post In Auburn

Auburn—Paul J. Dolan of Buffalo, department commander of the State of New York, Catholic War Veterans Inc., visited the post rooms of CWV Post 225 of Auburn Thursday evening, Nov. 18. He expressed himself as thoroughly pleased with operation and progress of the post.

Commander Dolan was guest of honor at dinner at the Osborne Hotel attended by the officers of the local post and its chaplain, Rev. Alfred Horr, assistant pastor of Holy Family Church. Upon arrival in Auburn, the Department Commander was greeted by Mayor Edward T. Boyle and City Manager George F. Train.

Following the dinner, the veterans adjourned to the club-rooms in Water Street where the program for the evening was carried out. The meeting was presided over by Commander Leo A. Binckney who introduced the principal speaker, Commander Dolan outlined the complete history of the CWV and answered numerous questions asked by the members.

HE STRESSED the importance of being on the lookout "for Communist activities" and warned the large group that if we are to keep an everlasting peace in this country these forces of evil must be wiped out. The members of the post were praised by the state commander for their excellent record to date.

Other short talks were given by Father Horr and the Rev. Frederick G. Straub, who helped organize the Catholic War Veterans in Auburn. Also called upon to take a bow were: Commander Thomas Pool of Cayuga Post, VFW; Pat Zanich, commander of Cumaeo-Palat Post, American Legion; Albert DeRoo, past commander of Swietonawski-Koperek Post, American Legion; Arthur J. Jerome, past commander of Callahan Post, Italian American World War Veterans and Bernie Ukolowicz, representing W. Myrdene Rice Post, American Legion.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Commander Dolan made an inspection of the post and held a long conference with the officers. A luncheon was served to complete the evening. Commander Dolan left for an inspection of posts in Syracuse, Rome and Watertown before returning to Buffalo.

China Missioner Asks Aid For His Family In Italy

An appeal in behalf of his impoverished family in Italy has been made by the Rev. F. Vanantoni Longo, O.F.M., a Franciscan missionary priest, to the Diocesan Office of the Propagation of the Faith.

Father Longo, a cousin of Sister Mary Dominica, of the Sisters of Mercy at St. John's convent, Clyde, disclosed the plight of his family in a letter to the Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall, Propagation of the Faith director.

Returning to Italy after seventeen years in the communistic zone of China, the Franciscan found that his steady parents were left without any support by the death of two sons in the war, and constant unemployment of another. About to return to his missionary duties in China torn by communist-led strife, Father Longo expressed the hope that he may be able to assure his family of relief before his departure.

FATHER LONGO left Italy in 1931 and began his missionary labors in North China in the Shanai Province. Ordained in 1936, he was sent to Wulai district which became a communist war zone the following year. He was jailed and forbidden all missionary duties, which he was only able to resume in 1938, when the Japanese took the district.

With the return of the communists in 1946, the priest again became a prisoner, and he was forced to trudge a painful and difficult journey into the mountains where the snow was knee-deep, and made to endure cold and hunger. The communists thought that this would induce him to leave his mission and he was released in a month. When he did not act according to their plans but remained at his post, they determined to get rid of him.

He was accused before the chief of the communist police of making Christians lose time on their jobs for holiday services and put in jail again. For eight

Group Asks Food For Missioner

Mr. Morris—Members of a sewing club here who are packing food to send to the Rev. Joseph Krimm, S.V.D., a missionary in New Guinea are asking donations of money or food to be sent with their packages.

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