

Five Seed for Churches... One thousand pounds of Kentucky tobacco seed has been offered to Georgia rural churches...

New Year's Eve Holy Hour Slated At Pro-Cathedral

A Holy Hour to be conducted by His Excellency Bishop Kearney will fittingly welcome the New Year of 1949 at Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral...

Meditations, adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and an impressive passing of the old year and beginning of the new are planned for the Holy Hour...

New Year's greetings will be exchanged by the Bishop with members of the laity at the episcopal residence, 947 East Ave. on Sunday, Jan. 9...

The Bishop has set 2.30 p. m. as the time for reception of Catholic War Veterans. Members of the CWV are requested to meet at 2.20 p. m. at East Avenue and Barrington Street...

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus will assist the Bishop in greeting the guests. The annual open house of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, will be held on Saturday, Jan. 1, in the clubrooms...

Pastor Blesses New KC House In Seneca Falls



The new home of Seneca Falls Council, Knights of Columbus is blessed by the Rev. John P. O'Beirne, pastor of St. Patrick's Parish. A historic landmark, the house was formerly the home of the late Judge Gary V. Sackett.

Seneca Falls — The ceremony of the Blessing of the new home of Seneca Falls Council, Knights of Columbus, took place Dec. 19. Rev. John P. O'Beirne, pastor of St. Patrick's Parish, accompanied by three altar boys, led a procession which began at the Rectory...

The house, the residence of the late Judge Gary V. Sackett, is a historic landmark and the task of redecorating and remodeling has been going on under the supervision of Rev. Thomas J. Kane, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Parish, since the purchase...

After the ceremony the Knights and their wives were hosts to people in practically all walks of life, clergymen of the Seneca Falls Churches, school of Retail, civic officers, heads of industries, representatives of various organizations, as well as visiting Knights from Councils in surrounding cities...

Beginning at five o'clock, a tea and reception took place on the second floor. The temporary council room was tastefully furnished with period furniture and oil paintings hung on the walls. The candlelit tea table was decorated in the Christmas motif. Grand Knight Stephen J. Byrne was chairman of arrangements...

Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Stephen J. Byrne, Miss Helen Reagan, Mrs. Henry Simolio, Mrs. Fausto Chares, Miss Dora Clary and Mrs. Lawrence J. Doran. In the receiving line were Mrs. Vincent Giglio, Mrs. John Fraser, Mrs. Francis Souhan, Mrs. Thomas Bevins, Mrs. Nicholas Gentile, Mrs. Wm. Murphy and Mrs. Andrew Sipos...

Among the visitors was Mrs. Marcus M. Case, an attorney of Watkins Glen, a great-grand daughter of the original owner of the home. Mrs. Case expressed pleasure with the restoration of the home and related many incidents she remembered about her visits at the mansion in her childhood. A particularly nice gesture on the part of the Knights was the gift of a Christmas card to each person present. Adding to the enjoyment were ice cream, cake, oranges, apples and other edibles in abundance...

The fraternity became affiliated with the Genesee Settlement approximately one year ago after having been in existence for more than 15 years. In the past year members have offered invaluable assistance to the Settlement, those in charge state. They have been active in Scout Committee work and in giving financial aid as well as personal aid to group activities.

New Gym Dedicated... Bishop Thomas A. Boland of Paterson laid the cornerstone and solemnly blessed and dedicated the new \$200,000 gymnasium of Debarton school here. A boarding school for boys, Debarton is conducted by Benedictine monks.

Aid Sent By Kolping Unit Brings Germans' Thanks

Members of the Rochester Catholic Kolping Society have accomplished "nearly the impossible" in ministering to the needs of the poor in Germany, the Rev. A. Kolodziej, a German priest, has written.

Since the local Kolping Society two years ago took over sponsorship of the two German dioceses, well over 10,000 pounds of food and clothing have been sent into Germany. This has been done through collections of waste paper, rags and clothing. THE GRATITUDE of the German societies was expressed in the gift of a hand-carved crucifix for Christmas. Father Kolodziej wrote that although the food situation is improved through the money reform, a deficiency of fats and meats still prevails. He said that both clothing and food are available, but earned money is scarce. The German priest urged the Rochesterians to continue the work for their brother societies, "not to let up in your love of neighbor," and do not be discouraged.

The Kolpingites saved the money ordinarily spent on Christmas greetings and contributed the sum toward the relief fund. The following persons may be contacted by persons wishing to contribute articles or money: William Wittmann, 81 Illinois St., CU 9861 W.; Edward P. Micek, 79 Westfield St., GE 5746 J.; Mrs. Henry Heister, 324 Conkey Ave., GL 7671 J.

Death Claims 2 Men In Corning

Corning Edward H. Gray died at his home, 88 E. First St., Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1948. He was born in Gilbertsville, N. Y., June 3, 1865, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Gray. In 1884 he entered the shoe business in Corning in partnership with John L. Clark. From 1895 to 1924 he operated his own business. At that time he retired but later went into the insurance business in which he was active for many years.

Mr. Gray's first wife, the former Miss Ann Ellen Barry of Corning, died in 1917. In 1919, he was united in marriage with Miss Margaret O'Connell of Corning in St. Mary's Church. He was a member of St. Mary's Church and of the Holy Name Society. He served as a member of the Board of Education of School District Number 9 for 20 years.

Besides his wife Mr. Gray is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Joseph E. McMahon of Malverne, L. I., a son, Harvey Gray of Corning, six grandchildren; a brother, George W. Gray of Cobleskill; several nieces. Funeral services were held from the home Friday at 10 a. m. and at 10.30 in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

William P. McKinney, 58, of 162 W. Third St., died unexpectedly at his home Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1948. He was born in Corning, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James McKinney and had lived his entire life here. He was a 45 year employe of Corning Glass Works and was foreman of the West End Shipping Department at the time of his death. He was a member of St. Mary's Church and the Holy Name Society.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Annie McKinney, four sons James, William and Harold of Corning and Walter of Beaver Dams; one daughter, Mrs. Bruce Teter of Bath, a stepdaughter, Miss Mary Hanson, at home; seven brothers, John, Leo, Raymond, Thomas, Robert, Gerald and Donald McKinney, all of Corning; a sister, Mrs. Helen Lang of Corning, several grand children, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held from the home Friday at 8.30 a. m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Deaf Mute School Montreal (N.C.). The centenary of the class of the Institute of the Deaf Mutes, which has been directed by the Clerics of St. Viator, was observed here. During the past 100 years there have been 2,500 deaf mutes who have received their education at this institute.

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Requiem Mass For N. D. Sister

A Requiem Mass for Sister Mary Lorenzo, of the School Sisters of Notre Dame who died Dec. 7, 1948, will be held in Holy Family Church Thursday, Jan. 6 at 8.45 a. m.

A native of Rochester, Sister Lorenzo, nee Barbara Esau, was born in 1859 and was a parishioner of Holy Family when she lived in this city. She taught academic subjects as well as music and voice in Pittsburgh for several years.

Until four years ago she was stationed at Highlandtown, Baltimore. The last four years were spent in the convalescent home at Villa Maria, Notch Cliffe, Md. She would have been 90 years old in March, 1949.

Surviving are two brothers, Frank and Peter Esau, and a sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Schwab, all of Rochester; and two other sisters, Mrs. Tim McCarthy and Miss Anna Esau of San Francisco, Calif.

Disabled Veterans Gifts Taken by K.C.

Magazines, cigarettes, neckties and other creature comforts are being assembled by members of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus for the annual bus trip to U. S. Facility, Bath, on Saturday, Dec. 8.

Chairman Robert J. Hand of this year's trip is lining up a committee to take the donations to the disabled veterans and to present for their enjoyment a program of suitable entertainment. Grand Knight John J. Kinney will lead the delegation.

The knights are also planning the next Sunday Night Social for Sunday, Jan. 9 in the clubrooms, Columbus Civic Center, beginning at 7 p. m. Host and hostesses for the coming social will be Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Insalaca according to general chairman, Dr. and Mrs. Frank J. Masello.



This painting of "Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima," from the brush of Sister Evelyn Marie, C.S.J., of Chicago, has been accepted by His Holiness Pope Pius XII, as representative of the American devotion to Our Lady of Fatima. It was presented to the Holy Father by the first national pilgrimage of the United States to Fatima, in October, (NC Photos).

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