

Installation Rites Opened For St. John Knights Staffs

Installation schedule of Rochester Regiment, Knights of St. John will go forward next week with officers in full dress uniform with sidearms conducting the ceremonies.

As is their custom, Colonel Joseph F. Werdelgass, Lt. Col. Al C. Miller, Major Edward Katzenberger and Major Frank Vogel will attend all commandery meetings during the month of January.

Date of Commandery No. 43 meeting and picnic has been changed to Tuesday, Jan. 18 at the Knights of St. John Club, Andrews St., at 8:30 p. m. Instead of St. Michael's Hall.

Coming installations of commanderies, places and officers follow:

Tuesday, Jan. 11, Commandery No. 5, Knights of St. John and Ladies Club, Fred Uno and Frank Klueber — Commandery No. 25, St. Boniface, Emil Eckert, John Schneider, Commandery No. 197, Holy Family, John Bittner and Joseph Passero — Commandery No. 201, Sacred Heart, Frig-Cathedral Hall, Al Essert, Joseph Volpe.

Wednesday, Jan. 12, Commandery No. 272, St. Philip Neri, Clarence Schoeneman and Francis Bell.

Monday, Jan. 17, Commandery No. 26, St. Peter and Paul's, Francis Kohlmeier and Frank Tausner.

Tuesday, Jan. 18, Commandery No. 43, Club, 365 Andrews St.

Monday, Jan. 24, Commandery No. 17, St. Andrew's William Schwab and Jacob Hall; Commandery No. 308, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, F. Wolensak and Steve Kuchman.

Tuesday, Jan. 25, Commandery No. 106, Holy Rosary Frank Doll and Clarence Roy.

Previously installed on Jan. 3, Commandery 40, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Charles Keller and Ray Combach; Wednesday, Jan. 5, Commandery No. 39, Knights and Ladies of St. John Club, Charles Vogler and August Maier.

Mission Guild To Meet At Columbus Center

The Catholic Mission Guild will hold its monthly meeting Monday evening, Jan. 10 at 8:30 p. m. in Columbus Civic Center with Mrs. Chauncey A. Doxtator presiding.

After the business session, cards will be enjoyed and refreshments served. Mrs. Joseph Klein will be hostess, and all members are invited.

Life Behind 'Iron Curtain' Described by First European Here Under New DP Law

By ARTHUR P. FARREN

"Ask no questions — and keep your thoughts to yourself."

That's Rule Number One for life behind the Iron Curtain, according to Ivan Bandura, 50-year-old Ukrainian who is the first DP to be settled in the Rochester area under provisions of the Displaced Persons Law.

Ivan knows whereof he speaks, for he spent months during the war in forced labor — first under the Nazis, then under the Russians.

"YOU LOSE all your friends behind the Curtain," Ivan declared. "All is fear, suspicion, mistrust. Whole families disappear overnight. It is horrible."

Ivan's serious voice quavered; he wiped moistened eyes with his handkerchief as he continued. "My sister is over there. I haven't seen her for several years. I write often — but no answer."

What does he think of America? "You have too much here," he replied. "Too much wealth — too much food — too much waste. Only those who have seen the suffering in Europe can know how much you Americans waste."

IVAN SPOKE in his native Ukrainian tongue. His remarks were translated by two new friends in Rochester — the Rev. Jaroslav Gabro, assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church, and Mrs. Stephanie Keck, of 150 Roycroft Drive, a distant relative who is sponsoring Ivan's settlement here under the DP Act.

He landed in New York on Dec. 24 and came to Mrs. Keck's home on Christmas Day. "Already John has taught me to save food which I ordinarily throw out," she said. He smiled as she called him John — his new American name.

John was brought to the freedom of America, after four years in two DP camps in Germany, through the services of the Rochester Diocesan Resettlement Committee, which operates under the leadership of the Very Rev. Msgr. Gerald C. Lambert, director of Rochester Catholic Charities. The Committee is affiliated with the Bishops Resettlement Committee under the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

TALL, STURDY, alert, John Bandura is a man of many parts. A college graduate, he speaks Ukrainian, Russian, Polish and German. During the war his forced labor was a continuation of his regular job — superintendent of the railroad which ran through his native city of Pukow, West Galicia.

During his stay in DP camps in Berchtesgaden and Karstfeld he worked for the camp administration as a bookkeeper. He carries proficiency certificates, issued by the International Relief Organization, in both bookkeeping and farming. He will be employed in farm work in the Rochester area.

When he learns the English language, however, he hopes possibly to obtain employment at bookkeeping because, while not disliking farm work, he likes city life — and people.

WHILE IN the DP camp he was engaged in another of his accomplishments — singing. He was part of a stage group which entertained the DPs. He is looking forward to joining St. Joseph's Church choir.

Unmarried, John has a niece in one of the DP camps who has



Ivan Bandura, 50-year-old Ukrainian who is the first European to be settled in the Rochester area under the new DP Act, meets the principals in his translation. They are the Very Rev. Msgr. Gerald C. Lambert (right), head of the Diocesan Resettlement Committee; the Rev. Jaroslav Gabro, assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Church, and Mrs. Stephanie Keck, a distant relative who is sponsoring Bandura's settlement here.

three children. Her husband, who has relatives in America, is hoping to bring the family to this country.

He has no love for the Russian authorities and their spy system. People who minded their own business under Nazi occupation were unharmed, he said, but the Russians confiscated

money, property or personal possessions indiscriminately.

"There was one thing they couldn't take," he said. "That was our religion."

John is a Ukrainian Catholic of the Byzantine Rite. He already has made many acquaintances in his new parish. "This is a great country," he concluded.

Soap For Europe Asked By DCCW

A bar of soap will be the admission ticket at the first 1949 meeting of Rochester Deaneary Council, National Council of Catholic Women Tuesday, Jan. 18 in the Columbus Civic Center, Parlor A.

The business session will get underway at 8:15 p. m. with Mrs. Leo Muckle, president in charge. The soap will be shipped overseas for European children, thousands of whom suffer with skin infections because of lack of it.

Refreshments will be served with the following affiliated societies in charge: Our Lady of Mercy High School Mothers' Club, Mrs. Joseph Hemple; St. Gerard's Guild, Mrs. John Sillick; Seton Branch of St. Mary's Hospital, Mrs. W. W. Winans, Jr.

C. C. Unit Sets Rummage Sale

The Rosary Society of Corpus Christi Church will conduct a Rummage Sale at 456 East Main Street Thursday, Jan. 13 and Friday, Jan. 14.

Items or garments suitable for the sale may be brought to the church hall before these dates or may be brought directly to the store Wednesday evening from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Anyone desiring to offer a car for transportation or who desires to have articles picked up should call Mrs. James Pollock, CUYver 2519-W or Mrs. William Parley, CUYver 4356-J.

Mrs. Siebert Renamed By Hospital Board

Mrs. Rudolph Siebert was again named Chairman of the Woman's board of St. Mary's Hospital at the annual meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 5 at the Century Club.

Mrs. Louis Langie was elected vice chairman and Miss Eleanor Gleason continues as treasurer. Mrs. John Gleason was elected assistant treasurer, Mrs. John Menihan was reelected recording secretary and Miss Madeline Fahy, corresponding secretary.

After the business session, Board Members were guests of Mrs. Leo Simpson and Mrs. Edward Hanover at luncheon.

St. Salome Mothers Hear Mrs. Weider

Mrs. Richard Weider was the scheduled speaker at the School Mothers Club of St. Salome's meeting, last night in the school hall. Mrs. Fred Schopp presided.

Mrs. Weider's topic is "Happiness is Forever." Mother of five children she is active in Catholic organizations having helped to organize the Cane conferences, is a member of St. Ann's Circle of Young Mothers and Alumnae of Our Lady of Mercy High School.

Mrs. Joseph Moran headed the sixth grade mothers in charge of refreshments.

Knights To Honor Killian F. Eckert

Aide de Camp Killian F. Eckert, retiring treasurer of St. Eustace Commandery, Knights of St. John will be honored at a stag party, Saturday, Jan. 8 in the Knights and Ladies of St. John Club, 363 Andrews St.

Dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m. Guest speaker will be Brigadier General Leo D. Hosenfeld, supreme counsel, Knights of St. John.

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Knights To Fete Veterans At Bath

Talk, creature comforts and entertainment with them, a delegation of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus will leave by chartered bus for the U. S. Veterans Facility, Bath, on Saturday morning.

The bus will leave at 10:30 a. m. from Columbus Civic Center on Chestnut St.

Two shows will be given at the hospital featuring a magician, singers and dancers according to Chairman Robert J. Hand. The supper will be served from 5 to 8 p. m.

Other committee members appointed by Mrs. Charles Cobb, president, are: Mrs. Lester DeYager, hostesses; Mesdames Sommers and Herrman Koch, tickets; Mrs. James Volmer, decorations; Mesdames Lemmy Coon, Emil Hosenfeld, Frank Schwalbach, Albert Schmitt, kitchen; and the hospital will be William Mrs. Clifford Robinson, publicity.

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