

Holy Family Scout Sent To Governor

Eagle Scout Edward Nihil of Holy Family Parish, Rochester, was among the Boy Scout delegation from New York State which visited Governor Thomas E. Dewey last Saturday afternoon in his office at Albany.

Governor Dewey greeted young Nihil and the Scouts, representing the 42 local councils of New York, and received from them a scroll summarizing the advances made by Scouts in the state in 1949.

Eagle Scout Nihil, a member of Troop 212, sponsored by Holy Family Church, represented Otseana Council, Rochester's scout headquarters. Nihil, 16, lives at 278 Glide Street.

The boys also presented the governor with an engraved invitation to attend the Second National Boy Scout Jamboree at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, where 40,000 Scouts and leaders will camp from June 30 to July 8 in a huge tent city.

Franciscan Speaks To Corning KC



Leading roles at the Corning Knights of Columbus fathers and sons Communion Breakfast were taken by (from left) Joseph E. Sweet, grand knight; Rev. Gervase McMillen, O.F.M., native of Corning and national St. Bonaventure College Alumni secretary; Robert Patoni and his father Anthony J. Patoni, chairman of Catholic Affairs.

Kearns Heads DCCW Speakers List 19 Topics For 1950 Booking

Nineteen new topics were announced this week in a brochure distributed by the Rochester Diocesan Speakers Bureau of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Last year the bureau filed 82 speaking engagements including radio broadcasts and public school PTA meetings, according to Mrs. Arthur P. Farren, bureau chairman.

Any organizations may obtain speakers by calling Mrs. Farren at 425 Glenwood 3213. No remuneration is expected, but it is understood that any travel expenses will be provided.

The 20 speakers and 29 topics listed by the bureau for 1950 include:

THE PARISH PLACE IN THE DCCW - Your organization can fit in - Mrs. Frank T. Curtin

POINTERS TO PARENTS - Parent-child relationships as a teacher sees them - Mrs. Helen Burke

THE HOLY YEAR - Prayer and penance - Mrs. Lucille O'Reilly

THE HOLY FATHER AND THE HOLY YEAR - The Pope pleads for peace to all men - Mrs. Mary G. Doyle

THE VIRGIN'S VIRTUES - Especially today has Mary meaning - Mrs. Edward Esau

JUSTICE IN THE PEOPLE'S COURTS - Prelates before pro-secutors - Mrs. Edward Esau

WOMEN WILL TALK - Heart to heart or fat to heart - Mrs. Arthur P. Farren

HOW RICH CAN THE FAMILY BE? - Your importance to your family and yours - Mrs. H. Lou Gibson

THE UNITED NATIONS - The part in the part of peace - Mrs. H. Lou Gibson

VESTMENT MAKING - Original evolution - symbolism and financing of investments - Fern Kelly

ILL BE HOLY TOMORROW - The day of feeling spiritual hunger with promises - Mrs. Elaine Kolesnik

THERE'S ONE IN EVERY HOME - The necessary sacramental or shrine - Mrs. Elmer Lortz

MODERN MIRACLES AND MARY - Since Fatima - Mrs. Rosemary Lortz

YOU CAN CHANGE THE WORLD - The Christophers move - Mrs. Rosemary Lortz

STRUGGLE WITH THE QUEEN - Marx and Mary - Mrs. Edward Mathis

MY CHILDREN BROUGHT ME UP - A mother brings it

THE FEEL OF HER CHILDREN - Mrs. Edward Mathis

WHAT ABOUT MODERN ART? - Could it be Catholic? - Mrs. Madeline Nurett

THE HOLY YEAR - Prayer and penance - Mrs. Lucille O'Reilly

INTERIOR DECORATION - With a Christian motif - Mrs. Eunice O'Reilly

YOU CAN BE A STAR - The dignity of human hands - Mrs. Jeanne Schneider

FOR THE JOB TRAINING - Education for hereafter - and here - Mrs. Jeanne Schneider

ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL - The Catholic Negro point of view - Mrs. Harriet Schuyler

THE AMERICAN DP - The place of racial minorities in American life - Mrs. Harriet Schuyler

HOBBY OR VOCATION? - The role of a woman in the lay apostolate - Mrs. Lucy Sheehan

ARE WE WHAT WE READ? - Books - a thousand gates to God - Mrs. Lucy Sheehan

MOTHERS MUST MEET - To insure unity between our altars and our hearths - Mrs. Richard L. Weider

HAPPINESS IS FOREVER - A mother of six outlines the Christ plan for parents - Mrs. Richard L. Weider

STILL IN HIS IMAGE - Alcoholism - Mrs. Marian J. Wettrick

St. Eustace Groups Set Party Feb. 18

A Pre-Lenten Get-Together will be held by members of St. Eustace Commandery No. 39, Knights of St. John and Ladies Auxiliary No. 43 at the Club House, 365 Andrews St., Saturday, Feb. 18 at 8 p.m.

Program will include entertainment, music, dancing, lunch and refreshments. Reservations must be made no later than Friday, Feb. 10.

Father McMillen Urges Unity In Family Life

Corning — "There are certain things today crying to heaven for vengeance which we cannot allow to go unrecognized and unseemly," Rev. Gervase McMillen, O.F.M., warned the 130 men and boys who welcomed him "home" at the father and son breakfast of Corning Council, Knights of Columbus Sunday morning.

A native Corningite, Father Gervase attended St. Mary's Parochial School and is himself a member of the Knights of Columbus. A former war chaplain, he is a member of St. Bonaventure College faculty.

Speaking on the "state of our spiritual dauntion," Father Gervase lauded the Knights and their boys for their showing at the Communion breakfast, but called attention to the neglect and disunity of American family life.

"We cannot help but recognize that the weakness of our country is in the weakness of our family life," the Franciscan priest said. "The family is the core of social living and if we have a strong family life, then we will be a strong country."

REALIZING THE importance of the family standard, he asserted, "It makes us blush with fear that each year in our country there are approximately 300,000 divorces. Some 3 million children are the product of broken homes, he added.

"With this appalling picture of family disunity and disruption, we realize if this trend is going to continue, we are going down very rapidly to our own destruction and the abyss of our national disintegration."

He emphasized the fact that family life and family love are based upon love of God, without which there can be no mutual love. The fourth commandment, he noted, is based on a two-way

obligation which "enjoins the parents to live so that their children may respect them. How can a child respect a drunken father or a careless and unloving mother?"

IF A CHILD doesn't find love and respect in his home, in later years he will despise the society from which his parents came and in his own life will find "disillusionment, discord and disappointment," Father Gervase pointed out.

He called attention to the fact that neither the U. S. Constitution nor the Bill of Rights makes direct mention of the family and only implies reference in the bill of rights where it ensures "liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Two countries, in modern times, explicitly mention the family -- the Republic of Ireland and Portugal -- Father Gervase said. "Both constitutions trace their ancestry and authority to the Pope Plus XI encyclical on Christian Marriage."

The Franciscan climaxed his address with a plea to the Catholic men to "head the promptings of our souls, the beatings of our hearts for the perfection of our example to make family life the factor in all our living, to trace the beauty of our family life down through the ages less corridors to Nazareth.

"May we as Catholics and as Americans do our part in making our country strong by making our homes strong. May our sorry country, exposed to the threat of all of the injuries man may commit upon man ride out this storm of difficulty from within and without as did our ancestors."

TOASTMASTER Clement L. Murphy called attention to Father Gervase's athletic prowess, reminding the men that he has long been the idol of Corning sports fans, as an all-around basketball and football star in high school and college. "In church," Murphy said, "he is still carrying the ball."

Father Gervase expressed regret of the absence of the Rev. Dr. Charles J. Mahoney, superintendent of Rochester Diocese Catholic Schools, who was unable to attend the breakfast.



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Mrs. Markol Heads Group For 5th Time

Auburn — Members of St. Mary's Church of St. Peter and Paul's Church, selected Mrs. George Markol president of the society for the fifth time at the annual meeting held recently in the Church Hall.

Others elected were Secretary Mrs. John Zewan treasurer Mrs. Charles Ganey This society which now has nearly 100 members, made plans to cele

Catholic Women's Book Fair Set Saturday In Syracuse

Auburn — Under the direction of the Most Rev. Walter A. Foen, D.D., Bishop of Syracuse, the Catholic Women's Club of Syracuse is sponsoring the Second Annual Book Fair, Saturday, Feb. 18 from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Clubhouse, 864 E. Onondaga Street, Syracuse, according to word received here.

Interesting exhibits will be set up especially for the fair. Two of them will be the Mission Exhibit, arranged by the Catholic Students Mission Crusade, under the direction of Rev. Martin J. Watley, and the Holy Year Exhibit, which will include information concerning this and previous Holy Years.

During the day the Catholic Women's Club will have open house. At 4:00 p.m. Miss Covelle Newcomb, author of many "teen age books will speak on the topic "To Be Or Not To Be A Catholic Author." Some of Miss Newcomb's books are "The Red Hand," "The Secret Door," "Vagabond in Velvet," "Larger Than the Sky," "Black Fire," and "Running Waters."

At 8:00 p.m. the Rev. Valentine Long, O.F.M. of Siena College will speak on "Literature and Faith." Father Valentine's books include "They Have Seen His Star," "Not On Bread Alone," and "Magnificent Man."

The purpose of the Book Fair is to stimulate interest in Catholic books and to give the public an opportunity to become better acquainted with the Catholic Women's Club's reading center. It is being held as part of the Clubs Catholic Press Month program and in relation to National Catholic Book Week.

\$500 Raised By Geneva Society

Geneva — St. Stephen's Rosary Society benefit bazaar Wednesday, Feb. 1 at the Knights of Columbus home netted the organization \$500. It is the only large benefit planned by the society this year.

From the opening hour at 4 p.m. parishioners and friends crowded the bazaar to purchase the many articles on display. Baked goods, homemade candy, canned goods, needlework and other articles were featured. Refreshments were hot dogs, cakes and coffee.

Husbands of some of the members assisted in arranging the booths. A fishpond attracted many of the younger patrons and games provided entertainment for the adults.

By closing hour 10 p.m. every article donated for the bazaar had been sold.

Mrs. Leo J. Kelly was general chairman. Assisting were Mrs. Thomas Bolger, Mrs. Thomas Conway, Mrs. Raymond McDonald, Mrs. John Hoffman, Mrs. Louis Davis, Mrs. Herbert Crowley, Mrs. Stanley Powers and other members of the society.

Waterloo CDA Sets Pre-Lenten Meeting

Waterloo — The Catholic Daughters will hold a Social Hour next Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Knights of Columbus Rooms.

Mrs. Grace Morrin, Chairman of the Committee of the month urges all members and their friends to attend as it may be the last social meeting until after Easter.

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Two Showings Set For 'Avenger' Film

Two showings of "The Avenger" the motion picture made in Egypt at Aquinas Institute are announced by the Rev. Magr. Andrew A. Halak, pastor of St. Nicholas Church.

The film with Arabic dialogue and subtitles in English will be shown Saturday evening, Feb. 11 at 8:15 and Sunday, Feb. 12 at 3 p.m. Monsignor Halak extends an invitation to the clergy to be his guests at the showings.

Proceeds will be turned over to St. Nicholas Church of the Syrian Melchite rite at 379 Remington St.

Sullivan Named Head Of Notre Dame Club

Plans for participation in Universal Notre Dame Night will be the first business of newly elected officers of the Rochester Club of Notre Dame. The event is planned for Sheraton Hotel, Monday, April 17.

Heading the club staff is Rich and T. Sullivan, 29 Elmford Ave. as president. Other officers are Vice President Albert Roberts Secretary Richard Klee and Treasurer Victor 191810m.

Valentine Ball Set At Collage

Nazareth Seniors will hold their annual Valentine Ball Friday evening, Feb. 10 from 8 to 12 against a background of hearts and flowers, in the college auditorium.

Gene Zacher's orchestra will provide music for this last class dance of the class of 1950.

General chairman of the event is Jean Lipsias, assisted by Joan LeVeque, invitations, Eileen Thane, decorations, and Marilyn VandeVoerde, bids.

Board Report Set For Mission Guild

Regular meeting of the Catholic Mission Guild will be held Monday evening, Feb. 13 at 8:30 in Columbus Civic Center with Mrs. John Flaherty, president, presiding.

A report on the business meeting of Board of Directors of the Guild will be presented to the members.

An interesting program has been arranged by the hostess, Mrs. Willard Wakefield. Refreshments will be served following entertainment.

K. C. Auxiliary To Hear Father Hanna

Rev. Austin Hanna, chaplain of St. Joseph's Villa, will address the members of the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary at their social meeting, Thursday evening, Feb. 16 at 8:15 in Columbus Civic Center.

A Valentine party will follow, with Mrs. C. J. Jefferys in charge and Mesdames Thomas Mecheher, Robert Hand and George Parker assisting. Refreshments will be served.

Covington (NC) To mark completion of major renovations in St. Mary's Cathedral, here.

Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, will offer Pontifical Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday, April 23.

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