

St. Bona Degree To Be Conferred On Bp. Kearney

His Excellency, Bishop Kearney will receive an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws at the 51st Commencement of St. Bona Venture College at the college near Clean on Sunday, June 6, according to the Very Rev. Juvenal Lalor, O.F.M., college president.

The Bishop will be one of five to receive the degree. Others will be Earl J. McGrath, United States Commissioner of Education, who will deliver the commencement address; Rt. Rev. Msgr. James F. Hopkins, Titusville, Pa., the Hon. Mary T. Norton, U. S. representative from New Jersey and the Hon. William T. Powers, Jus-

tic of the Supreme Court of New York State.

BISHOP KEARNEY, head of the Rochester Diocese since 1937, is known as the "Educator Bishop," according to the college release. Under his administration ten new elementary schools, a high school, three colleges and several seminaries, novitiates and monasteries have been built.

Born in Red Oak, Iowa, Bishop Kearney is a graduate of Catholic University of America.

Ordained in 1908, the 65 year old prelate was assistant pastor of St. Cecilia's Church, New York from 1908 to 1928. In 1928, he founded the Church of St. Francis Xavier in New York

Bavarian Minister To Visit U. S.

Munich At the invitation of the Public Affairs Division of the Office of the United States Commissioner for Bavaria, Dr. Alois Hundhammer, Bavarian Minister of Education and one of the most distinguished German lay Catholics, will visit the United States to study educational institutions.

Mercy Killing Hit At State CD Convention

Delegates from more than 100 units of New York State Court, Catholic Daughters of America, meeting last week in Syracuse, N. Y. for their 22nd biennial convention, presented the continued improvement of Cardinal Mundelein and smaller euthanasia or mercy killings and any form of legislation tending to advocate them.

Acting on resolutions on the second day of the convention in Hotel Syracuse, the representatives voted to send a petition to President Truman asking him to demand that the Hungarian government release the Cardinal.

AMONG HIGHLIGHTS of the three-day meeting was the presentation by Miss Marie C. Curran of Belrose, L. I., state representative and national director of the CDA, of the Papal Cross. Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice, by the Most Rev. Stephen J. Donahue, auxiliary bishop of New York and state court chaplain. The honor for her services to the Church came from Rome through His Eminence, Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York.

Miss Curry who has been afflicted with the Catholic Daughters more than 30 years, was re-elected for another two year term at the convention. She was also presented her passage for a Holy Year pilgrimage to Rome in a group led by Bishop Donahue.

State officers also re-elected by the convention were Mrs. Margaret D. Lantico of Chateaugay, vice state president; Miss Elizabeth M. Walsh of Colonus, treasurer; Mrs. Mary D. Harrington of Dunkirk, secretary; and Mrs. Jane Benzling of Mount Vernon, monitor.

ANN SHEEHAN of Waverly was chosen as a delegate to attend the national convention July 10 at Asheville, N.C.

Among 18 new junior courts added to the state CDA according to Mrs. Margaret McKearney, state junior chairman, was one in Ovid.

Court representatives began the convention Tuesday morning by attending a pontifical High Mass celebrated by the Most Rev. Walter A. Foery, bishop of Syracuse, in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception.

The Rev. Robert F. Dillon, chancellor of the Syracuse diocese, gave the sermon, declaring that briefly, but truly, it has been spoken, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world."

In her position of motherhood, either as the physical mother of man, or in the spiritual sense, that the exercise of her God-given qualities in influencing those about her woman wields a power for good or evil that can change and often has altered the course of human history," he said.

Delegates later heard an address by Bishop Donahue in which he urged "Let the spirit of the early Christians guide you" in standing as a united front against the menace of atheistic Communism.

Pre-School Clinic Registers 28 Tots

Geneva Twenty-eight of next year's kindergarten pupils registered at St. Stephen's school May 15 at the first of a series of pre-school clinics to be held through out the city schools.

Under the direction of Mrs. Rachel Palmer, public health nurse, all children were physically examined. Nine small pox vaccinations, 18 diphtheria anti-toxins, and 12 booster shots for whooping cough were given.

Doctors in attendance were Dr. James S. Allen and Dr. Charles L. Willmarth. Nurses were Miss Mary Dormer and Miss Mary Gallagher, the school nurse. They were assisted by Mrs. Elizabeth Mooney and Mrs. Dorothy Legg.

Dental hygienists were Miss Pearl Holt and Miss Dorothy Ross, Associate chairmen of the clinic were Mrs. Edward Breuer and Mrs. Arthur O'Neill assisted by Mrs. Joseph Fennell.

Colleagues Honor Rep. Mary Norton

Washington (NC) — Representative Mary T. Norton of New Jersey was presented with a gold bracelet at a ceremony in the House of Representatives. The gift was from eight other Congresswomen. Mrs. Norton, widely known Catholic laywoman, will retire this year after 26 years of service in the House.

The Congresswomen kissed Mrs. Norton on the cheek, but all of the men legislators confined their sentiments to applause — all except Representative Jobst Lestinski of Michigan, who planted a resounding kiss on Mrs. Norton's right cheek.

N. C. C. W. Leaders Meet



Twenty members of the Board of Directors of the National Council of Catholic Women met in Washington for the annual meeting of the Board, held at N.C.W.C. headquarters building. Pictured on that occasion are, left to right: (front row) Mrs. Patrick Gibbons, of Kansas City, secretary; Mrs. A. S. Lucas, of Birmingham, Ala., president; Mrs. William McAlpine, Atlanta, treasurer; (rear row) Miss Margaret Mealey, Oakland, Calif., executive secretary; Mrs. John F. McCrystal, Sandusky, Ohio, vice-president; Mrs. John Kenneley, Bridgeport, Conn., vice-president and Mrs. Neal Sullivan, Newkirk, Okla., vice-president.

Romans Thank America For Aid to Italian War-Needy

Rome — It is hard to keep track of American pilgrimages in Rome these days. They come and go with the frequency of trains in the New York subway.

At least six diocesan groups have passed through this center of Christendom within the last week in addition to hundreds of individual American pilgrims not traveling in organized groups.

Among the largest United States groups were those from Washington D.C., Albany, Rochester and Indianapolis, now en route home. Archbishop Patrick A. O'Boyle of Washington and Bishop William Scully, Coadjutor of Albany were received by His Holiness Pope Pius XII before their departure.

ARCHBISHOP O'Boyle was also the honor guest at a reception given by the Pontifical Relief Commission. Monsignor Baldelli, commission president, thanked him in the name of millions of Italians, for the aid given by the charity of American Catholics.

Archbishop O'Boyle said the United States owes a debt to Italy whose missionaries brought Faith to America, for their contributions of Italian culture to America and the work of Italian immigrants in building the nation.

Among the latest arrivals in Rome is the New York pilgrimage headed by Bishop Joseph F. Flannelly, Auxiliary of New York. New Yorkers marked the anniversary of the ordination of His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, by attending a Pontifical Mass offered by Bishop Flannelly.

National Director Urges Understanding Of Youth

Corning — A full understanding of youth was urged on approximately 200 members and guests of the Aquinas Club of Corning by the Very Rev. Msgr. Joseph E. Schieder, National Director of Catholic youth activities speaking at the club's third annual banquet.

Monsignor Schieder stressed his faith in youth speaking in the Knights of Columbus Home. He cited cases of crime among children and said that the public knew only the newspaper stories and not the stories behind the stories.

Youth of today, he explained, is the product of the "terrible twenties," when parents were dollar chasing and of the eventual depression.

"Then," Monsignor Schieder said, "on a certain December 8 we handed them the whole dirty mess and sent them to take care of it. They rose to tremendous heights and became heroes a few months after it was held they were incapable of driving old jalopies."

"I HOPE WE never again sit in judgment. Our debt to them is too great. We must never again underestimate their ability, loyalty and love."

The speaker said the home is the kingdom of the boy and girl, with the father, the king, and the mother, the queen. Obedience, he said, can be obtained through love and devotion.

Monsignor Schieder, who was introduced by Charles Golber, president of the policy committee of the Aquinas Club and a member of the faculty of Corning Free Academy, is well known for his work among youth.

Although ordained only 14 years ago he has attained many honors, among them the appointment by Pope Pius XII as one of a board of seven to direct the

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On the speakers program was Francis R. Scherer, president of School Business Officials.

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