

2 Geneva Parishes Open \$100,000 Drive For Gym

Geneva—Joint campaign for \$100,000 to provide a gymnasium for De Sales High school got underway Monday night when about 450 workers from both St. Stephens and St. Francis de Sales parishes gathered at two "kick-off" affairs for the one week drive.

Leading the gym drive will be Rt. Rev. Asg. William H. McPadden, V.F., pastor of St. Stephens church and the Rev. Edward K. Ball pastor of St. Francis de Sales church.

Opening dinner of St. Stephens workers was held at Seneca Lake country club. St. Francis de Sales workers met at the school hall.

Spreading the drive in St. Stephens parish are Rev. Raymond P. Nolan, general chairman, and Arthur J. Cowan, associate chairman. Miss Jane Stauff, secretary. Members of the executive committee are Mr. Cowan, Cornelius L. Cosgrove, John F. Carroll and Robert Brennan.

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Throng Attends Closing Rites Of Elmira Novena

More than 1,000 persons attended the closing services of the Novena in honor of St. Anthony at the patronal church in Elmira, Sunday night. The novena was conducted by the Rev. William Baldassarre, O.F.M., Cap. of Geneva.

Attendance throughout the Novena was remarkable according to the Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor. The closing exercises taxed the capacity of the church and caused an overflow into the street.

A MOVING SERVICE on Sunday afternoon took place at 3 p.m. when the sick and invalids came for veneration of the relic and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Approximately 100 afflicted were present, one was borne in a wheel chair to the basement chapel and others attended on crutches.

At 4 in the afternoon, the church was thronged with mothers and their infants for blessings of the children.

The devotion of St. Anthony is increasing. Father Simonetti said. He noted that services are held each Tuesday evening throughout the year.

Veneration of St. Anthony's Relic



At the altar rail in St. Anthony's Church, Elmira on the Saint's feast, the faithful received St. Anthony's relic and venerated the relic. The Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor is shown conducting the services which attracted more than 1,000 persons.

26 In Seneca Falls Graduation Class

Seneca Falls — St. Patrick's School will graduate a class of 19 girls and 7 boys on Friday evening of this week. Rev. John P. O'Brien, pastor will give the address and Rev. Thomas A. Kane, assistant pastor will award the diplomas.

This is the first class to graduate under the supervision of Sister M. Eileen, who was appointed principal of St. Patrick's School last September.

Class officers are: president Joseph Peone, vice-president Duino Lombardo, secretary Karen Bove, and Treasurer James Truhart.

The class colors are green and white.

The exercises will close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

William J. O'Brien Final Rites Held

Corning — William J. O'Brien, 80, died at his home, 262 W. Second St., Sunday, June 18, 1950. He was born in Corning, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. O'Brien and spent his entire life here. He was united in marriage with Mary Jane Dolan in November, 1891 in St. Mary's Church, where he was a lifelong member. He was a member of the Holy Name Society.

Survivors include five sons, James, Charles E., Hugh V. and Raymond P. O'Brien, all of Corning; William O'Brien of Cattaraugus; two daughters, Mrs. T. J. O'Neill of Rochester and Mrs. Walter Wainwright of Elmira; one brother, Arthur O'Brien of Corning; four sisters, Mrs. Mary Thomas of Elmira, Mrs. Corrin J. Benedict and Mrs. Bert Harvey of Corning, Mrs. Evan Cole of Blossburg, Pa., 47 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held from the home Wednesday, June 21 at 8:30 a.m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

May Donnelly Of Owego, Wed

Owego — The marriage ceremony of Miss May Donnelly, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Donnelly, of Lounsbury, to Joseph Weitz, of Bergenfield, N.J., was solemnized in St. Patrick's Church, Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, assistant pastor, and the nuptial Mass which followed was officiated by the Rev. Gerald Murphy, S.J., a member of the faculty of St. Peter's College, in Jersey City, from which the bridegroom was graduated the previous week.

Miss Beverly Bolen, of New York, a classmate of the bride at St. Elizabeth's College, was the bride's only attendant. Frederick Weitz, a brother of the bridegroom, was best man and the ushers were James and John Donnelly, brothers of the bride, and William Weitz, brother of the bridegroom.

Traditional wedding music was provided by Mrs. Anna Mead, church organist, and Thomas Donnelly, brother of the bride, as

A wedding breakfast was served, following the ceremony at The Ahwaga Hotel, with plans set for 40 guests.

Following a wedding trip to Florida, the young couple will reside in Dean, N.J., where the bridegroom is associated with his father in business.

The bride is a graduate of the Owego Free Academy and of St. Elizabeth College, in Convent Station, N.J. She has been a member of the faculty of the college since her graduation. Mr. Weitz, is a graduate of St. Cecilia's High School in Englewood, N.J. and of St. Peter's College, of Jersey City.

Mercy Hospital Unit Of Nurses At Dinner

Auburn — The Nurses Alumnae Association of Mercy Hospital held its annual banquet Thursday evening, June 15, at Seneca Falls.

Co chairmen were Mrs. Thomas Brennan and Miss Evelyn Armstrong.

New officers for the coming year are Mrs. Anthony Viggiano, president, Mrs. Leonard Gusti, vice president, Miss Margaret Boardman, secretary, and Miss Nellie Clark, treasurer.

Montezuma Sets Church Picnic

Montezuma — St. Michael's Church will hold its Annual Picnic on the Church Grounds at Montezuma, Wednesday afternoon and evening, Wednesday, June 28 according to the Rev. John A. Guy, pastor.

Chicken dinner will be served from 4 to 8 p.m. Games will be played.

Mrs. Matthew Doherty is chairman. Large crowds from the surrounding towns and villages are expected as in past years.

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Corning Weddings

Schenectady — Corning
Corning — The marriage of Miss Rose F. Scianna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Scianna, 204 Fuller Ave., and Marlene J. Carozzoni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carozzoni, 186 E. Toga Ave., took place Saturday, June 17, in St. Vincent de Paul's Church. The Rev. Joseph V. Gull-fall, pastor, performed the ceremony.

Mrs. William McCarthy, sister of the bride was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Robert Clark, Miss Rita Molo and Miss Mary Ardolino. Fernando Carozzoni was best man for his brother and ushers were Dominic Elrpe, Philip Ardolino, Anthony Schon, Thomas Speciale and Rocco Fratelli.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Union Hall for 150 guests. Later the couple left by motor for a week's trip. Upon their return they will live at 77 E. Erie Ave.

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