

New Rector Prepared For Tradition-Making Role

Very Rev. Maynard A. Connell, M.A., Ph. D., Rector of St. Andrew's Seminary, modestly admits a richer opportunity to make ecclesiastical history in the Diocese of Rochester than any one of his four predecessors who have guided the destinies of the Minor Seminary in the past 80 years.

Appointed suddenly to the Rector's chair five months ago, he has had to weather trying storms to complete construction details of a building first planned five years ago. Architectural snags, contractor's troubles, material shortages and even housing problems have called for saintly patience and diplomacy.

But next Thursday when the "new" St. Andrew's is dedicated, a sparkling, well-equipped school, a young, energetic faculty and a high-caliber student body ready to create new traditions, will add relish to the challenge of the past which faces this new superior.

Named to the Rector's dignity June 16, 1950, six weeks after the unexpected death of the beloved Rt. Rev. Magr. Edward M. Lyons, Dr. Connell came to St. Andrew's with long experience in seminary life.

Professor of English and Sacred Eloquence at St. Bernard's Seminary for 18 years, 1932-50, he also taught in the college department of the minor seminary from 1935 to 1937.

Born in Canandaigua, Aug. 27, 1903, Father Connell came with his family to Rochester in 1912. After completing studies at St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries, he was ordained June 11, 1927 in the old St. Patrick's Cathedral by the Most Rev. Archbishop Pietro Sumasoni Biondi the then Apostolic Delegate to the United States.

After two years of parochial work as assistant pastor at the Church of the Nativity,

Brockport, St. Mary's, Canandaigua, and Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, Dr. Connell took up graduate studies in English at Cornell University until his appointment to St. Bernard's Seminary faculty in September, 1932.

He holds Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Cornell.

During his years of teaching in the Seminary the new Rector served as weekend assistant pastor at Blessed Sacrament Church, Rochester.

Twelve Priests On St. Andrew's Seminary Staff

Twelve diocesan priests, headed by the Rev. Dr. Maynard A. Connell, rector, comprise the faculty of St. Andrew's Minor Seminary. They include:

Rev. William J. Riefer — Prefect of Studies, Professor of Classical Latin and New Testament Greek.

Rev. Francis A. Marks — Professor of College English.

Rev. J. Walter Carron — Spiritual Director and Student Counselor.

Rev. Joseph Lynch — Professor of College Science.

Rev. John F. Cavanaugh — Professor of College English and Elocution.

Rev. Charles J. McCarthy — Professor of Church Music.

Rev. Richard M. Quinn — Professor of History, Social Studies and French.

Rev. Albert J. Shamon — Professor of English.

Rev. Paul Gibbons — Professor of Latin and General Science.

Rev. Raymond Kenny — Professor of Latin and Social Studies.

Rev. T. Paul Muzley — Professor of Physics and Health.

Majority of 190 Students Will Commute Daily

Total enrollment of students at St. Andrew's Seminary in 1950-51 in the four-year high school classes and 111 in the two years of junior college courses.

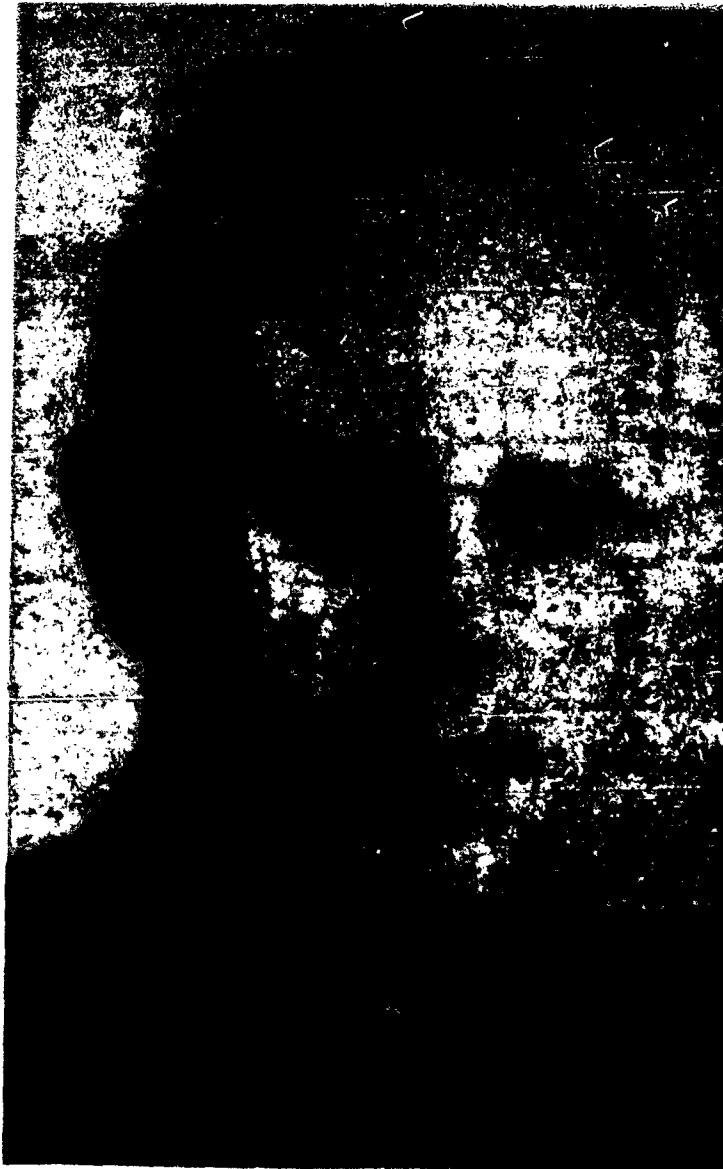
All 79 in the high school classes are from Rochester Diocese. Among the 111 in the junior college freshmen and sophomore classes is a group of pre-college students who have completed standard high school courses but have not had sufficient specific courses necessary for St. Andrew's standards, such as Latin.

Of the 190 total enrollment, 119 students are from Rochester Diocese. Forty-six are from Syracuse Diocese, 21 from Albany Diocese, two from the Diocese of Manchester, N. H., and two without direct affiliation.

More than 100 students living in or near Rochester will commute daily. Some of the upperclassmen drive cars.

A chartered bus will take commuting students to the seminary each morning and return them in the afternoon. Its terminal will be at the so-called "Bull's Head" corner in the west side of the city near St. Mary's Hospital.

The entire student body will lunch daily at the school.



Very Rev. Maynard A. Connell, M.A., Ph.D., 81th Rector of St. Andrew's Seminary.

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