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Foster Home Plea Made To Catholics

The urgent need for foster homes in Elmira and surrounding areas brought a particular appeal to Catholics in this territory from the Chemung County Welfare Department. The department is asking Catholics to help them solve the problem of placing about 15 Catholic children either in Foster Homes or in some cases, for adoption.

At the present time these children are located in a Catholic institution outside of Elimra. They are the product of broken homes, eager to return to Elmira and once again be among friends.

The case of the five brothers, whose ages are, 6, 7, 9, 12 and 14, is cited.

THESE FIVE youngsters were born in Elmira and have been in a Catholic home for children, outside of Elmira, for the past 3½ years. They constantly refer to Elmira as their "home" and are anxiously waiting for some family or families to take them in as foster children or with a view of ultimate adoption.

The father of these five children is dead and the mother has remarried and is unable to care for them, she is willing to surrender them for adoption. All born and baptized in Elmira, the children are fine, bright children, in the best of health. They constantly pray that they can come back "home" and be located either in one home or in homes close by so that they can always keep in touch with each other.

YOU CAN DO much to gladden the hearts of many little ones if you will but open your heart and home to some needy child, provide them with the tender love of a parent, make them feel a part of your home and life, give them the advantage of attending a parochial school to learn more of their holy religion and thus afford them an opportunity to grow up as useful American citizens. In addition to these five boys there are 10 other children, ranging in ages from infancy to 14 years.

A personal call or a letter for an appointment to find out all the facts in these cases can be made to Miss Marion McCarthy of the Chemung County Welfare Department, phone 39146.

Certainly there are many Catholic families in Elmira who would be willing to care for one or more of these children. Call Miss McCarthy and tell her you want to gladden the hearts of some youngster and your own heart will be filled with the joy of having helped one of His little ones to a better place to live.

Bishop At Church Dedication Of N. Y. Parish He Founded

A parish in the Bronx has a beautiful new church, dedicated to St. Francis Xavier and built in violation of an archdiocesan rule because a zealous pastor's enthusiasm surmounted the letter of the law, according to the NCWC News Service.

St. Francis Xavier parish had for its first pastor His Excellency Bishop Kearney of Rochester who celebrated the first parish Mass at Woodmanstown Inn on July 22, 1928.

His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, told the story in dedicating the red brick church for a parish founded 23 years ago. It replaces a wooden structure destroyed by fire in February, 1948.

AN ORDNANCE of the New York archdiocese requires that at least half the necessary money must be raised before the actual building of a church is begun.

The Rev. John M. Quinn, pastor, asked permission of the Cardinal to start the work about a year ago. The required amount of money was not in the bank then, but Father Quinn emphasized the loyalty of his parishioners and the generosity of New Yorkers of all faiths where church building was concerned. Cardinal Spellman was convinced and in this case set aside the rule.

"I was reluctant to bow to Father Quinn's entreaties at that time," the Cardinal recalled, "but now I am sorry I felt that way because I did not realize the energy of Father Quinn and his parishioners."

A congregation of 1,000 persons who filled the church and the surrounding area, where loudspeakers were placed, heard the Cardinal read a message from His Excellency Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, which conveyed the Apostolic Blessing of His Holiness Pope Pius XII on the parish and said the Pope was with the parishioners in prayer on the day of dedication.

The first Mass in the new church was offered by Father Quinn and the sermon was preached by Bishop Kearney, the church's first pastor.

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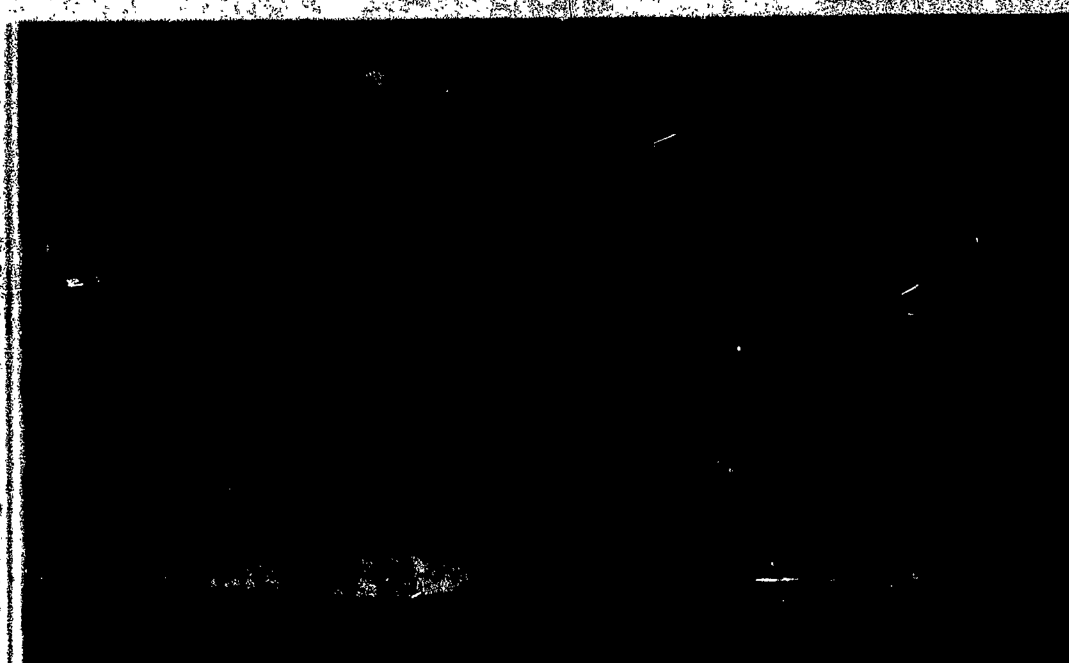
Maryknoll Sisters' First Religious Vacation School In Rochester Diocese Conducted For Trumansburg Area



OUTDOOR CLASSES are enjoyed at the Religious Vacation School conducted by the Maryknoll Sisters for children of Trumansburg and Interlaken. Above SISTER ROSE MAUREEN teaches (from left), Jerry [illegible] of Trumansburg, Mary [illegible], Interlaken, and [illegible] and Sharon Jo [illegible], both, [illegible], of Trumansburg. Sister Rose Maureen is a niece of the Rev. Leonard Kelly, pastor of St. James Church. (Trumansburg Photo)

Three Maryknoll Sisters will bring their first Religious Vacation School conducted in the Diocese of Rochester for children of Trumansburg and Interlaken to a successful conclusion on Sunday, July 29.

The Sisters were invited into St. James the Apostle Parish, Trumansburg, and St. Francis Solanus, Interlaken, by the pastor, the Rev. Leonard E. Kelly who was well satisfied with their first summer school sessions, he told the Courier Journal, this week.

Sixteen summer children from the two parishes will receive Holy Communion at the 8 a.m. Mass in St. James Church, Trumansburg, as a climax to the school program. Many of them have come long distances to attend the classes. In the afternoon a family picnic is scheduled at 3 p.m. in Taughannock Falls State Park, prizes will be awarded.

In charge of the school are Sisters Rose Maureen, a niece of Father Kelly's, Sister Bernadette Marie and Sister Gregory Marie, all of the Maryknoll Sisters or officially known as the Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic.

Sister Rose Maureen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelly, formerly of Rochester, is a graduate of Bishop McDonald High School in Brooklyn, class of 1946 and her family resides in St. Gregory the Great parish, Bellerose, Long Island. As a lay helper she taught in the first summer school at Trumansburg. She is enrolled in the Teachers' College, at Maryknoll.

Sister Bernadette Marie has been serving in the Maryknoll missions of the West Coast particularly in the Mission Center for Mexicans and Filippinos at Guadalupe, Cal. Sister Gregory Marie is a senior at the Maryknoll Teachers College.

This is the sixth year of the Trumansburg Religious Vacation School and the attendance was reported as almost 100 percent. Sessions were conducted from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

HIGHLIGHTING THE religion program was family and neighborhood Rosary recitation brought about by the Sisters giving two statutes of the Pilgrim Virgin each night to different children as an incentive for the group prayers.

The Sisters also taught Gregorian music. On the Feast of St. James the Apostle, Wednesday, Jan. 25, the Missa Recitata was featured by the older children. All children furnished the choir in singing at the Masses in Trumansburg.

A group of high school girls numbering between 6 and 8 was trained in Gregorian music with the hope of making a permanent choir and to encourage church music.

This year's school in Trumansburg has been in operation since July 9. Besides conducting the sessions in the parish hall, the Sisters visited the home of each of the children.

Of great assistance in the school program, this year, was the committee of women who furnished transportation. Committee chairman for Trumansburg was Mrs. Ralph Low and for Interlaken, Mrs. James Dailey.

Prior to this year the Sisters of St. Joseph with Sister M. Estelle, principle, conducted the summer school and they did a remarkable job in laying the foundation for this year's achievements. Father Kelly said.

New Hampshire Branch

Manchester, N. H. — (NC) — Organization of a New Hampshire division of the National Council of Catholic Women has been announced by Bishop Matthew F. Brady of Manchester.

Soldier, Wife In Japan Send Gift To Auburn Pastor

Auburn — A special gift of a set of gold vestments has been received from Sgt. and Mrs. Patrick Toomey of Tokyo, Japan, according to the Rev. John B. Crowley, pastor of St. Aloysius Church.

The gift was sent by the young couple to commemorate the golden jubilee of their native parish. Sergeant Toomey's home is on Washington Street in Auburn. He is a native of St. Aloysius School.

IN A LETTER accompanying the gift, Mrs. Toomey told Father Crowley that the vestments were hand-made by some socially prominent Japanese women who spend much of their time helping the Sisters of the Sacred Heart in Tokyo. These sisters conduct a grammar school, high school and college.

The vestments are hand embroidered and have been described as exceptionally beautiful as well as valuable. Mrs. Toomey's letter termed the unusual gift as a "small token" of their affection for Father Crowley.

Hibernians Elect McDermott To Head New Auburn Group

Auburn — After an interim of many years, Auburn will once again have a chapter of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. A meeting for purposes of organization was held at the Utopia Club.

The following were elected: John J. McDermott, president; Martin Brennan, vice-president; Daniel Connery, treasurer; John M. Griffin, recording secretary; John R. McKeon, financial secretary. John Keegan is chairman of the standing committee. Patrick A. May is marshal, and Peter Ward, sentinel.

The speaker at the first meeting was Edward O'Neill of Syracuse, former State President of the Order. His subject was the History of the AOH. The object of the organization, it was stated, is to foster good fellowship and to preserve the traditions of the Irish people.

1,000 Kids

Honolulu — (NC) — Over a thousand youngsters went on a picnic to mark the closing here of the annual Catholic Vacation Schools.

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Clothing, Bedding Asked In Elmira NCCW Campaign

Another urgent appeal for cooperation in the NCWC War Relief Services campaign for clothing and bedding of all descriptions, being conducted by Elmira Deanery Council of the National Council of Catholic Women is made today by Mrs. Samuel L. Terwilliger, chairman.

"The lean years of peace have brought continued shortages to institutions and homes for homeless children in war-torn areas," Mrs. Terwilliger said.

"Unless a considerable amount of bedding is secured, these institutions and homes will be forced to close their doors," she explained.

THE NEED IS for used sheets which can be made to fit cribs and small baby beds, other pieces may be used for bandages. Used clothing is also said essential that "the homeless may not perish from lack of warmth."

All shipments are made to the institutions and persons in Europe most in need, regardless of race, creed or color, the donors are assured.

Contributions may be left at any one of the Elmira parish schools or at Mrs. Terwilliger's, 326 Webber Place, Elmira. Her phone number is 2-1266.

28 Religion Schools Held In Diocese

Rev. Albert H. Schnacky, diocesan director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, has listed the 28 religious vacation schools in operation this summer in the Diocese of Rochester.

Schools in Rochester include Annunciation, St. Lucy, St. Patrick, St. Augustine and St. Francis Assisi.

Twenty three Rochester area schools serve 31 towns in the Diocese. They are Moravia and Owasco, Honeoye Falls and Mendon, Waverly, Caledonia and Mumford, Cayuga, Hilton, Clifton Springs, Dundee, Marion, Sodus and Wolcott, Shortsville, Nunda and Groveland, East Rochester, Watkins Glen, Dryden and McLean, Henrietta and Rush, Elmira Heights, Addison, Newark, Lyons, Churchville and Chili and Ithaca.

St. Anthony's Altar Boys Outing Slated

The annual picnic for Altar boys and choir girls of St. Anthony's Parish, Elmira, will be held on Monday, July 30 at Taughannock Falls State Park.

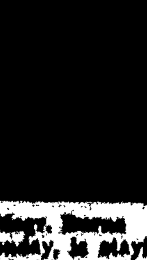
Chartered buses will leave from the school playground at 9:15 a.m. Rev. Albert L. Simmonetti, pastor will be in charge of arrangements.

An extensive program of games, swimming and baseball contests is scheduled for the entertainment of the groups.

Volunteers Donate Labor To Church

Mermentau, La. — (NC) — Members of St. John the Evangelist Parish have volunteered to haul bricks, sand, gravel and earth to cut down expenses in the construction of the $75,000 church which will replace the one built in 1913. The Rev. Marc Cramers, pastor, said it is hoped that volunteer labor will further cut down the cost of the new building.

Monsignor Burns Home From Rome



Msgr. Burns

Home on a six-week vacation from Rome, the Very Rev. Msgr. Richard K. Burns is visiting with relatives and friends in the Rochester diocese from where he went to become vice rector of the North American College.

Monsignor Burns who called at the Chancery, Monday, is staying in Rochester with his mother, Mrs. Adelaide Burns of 16 [illegible] Place. He is the son of the late John Burns, veteran Rochester newspaper man.

The young prelate was last home in May 1948. He has been at the North American College since his appointment there in March, 1947. Prior to that he was assigned for one year as secretary of the Oriental Congregation at the Vatican.

In Rochester he had been a member of St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries' faculty and served at Holy Rosary Church.

Catholic Nurses To Visit Four Churches

Rochester Council of Catholic Nurses will make a Holy Year Pilgrimage Monday, July 30, starting at 7:30 p.m. from St. Joseph's Church, Franklin St.

Families and friends of members are invited to join in this pilgrimage.

Capuchin Fathers [illegible] Property At Sheld[illegible]

Transfer of the former [illegible] N. Y., [illegible] J. Quinn of Trumansburg to the Capuchin [illegible] York will bring the [illegible] the Franciscan Friars into the Diocese of Rochester.

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Very Rev. Paschal Abrams, O. F. M. Cap., superior of St. Michael's monastery at Brooklyn, completed the property transfer with Mr. and Mrs. Quinn.

The Rev. Bede Reilly, O.F.M. Cap., a former state chaplain of the Catholic War Veterans and a Navy Chaplain in World War II is making the preliminary arrangements at the Sheldrake property in preparation for the foundation of a Monastery.

Annual Family Picnic Set By Elmira Knights Sunday

The annual Family Picnic sponsored by [illegible] Council, Knights of Columbus, will be held at [illegible] Park on Sunday from 1 until 6 in the afternoon.

Grand Knight Joseph E. [illegible] extends a cordial invitation to all members and their families to be present. Clement J. Kurth and John E. Strong are cochairmen.

COMMITTEES Assisting are, refreshments, Thomas Conley, Joseph DeMarco, [illegible], Cornelius Sullivan, [illegible], Robert Pautz, Walter [illegible], McBride, Paul Wills; [illegible] Samuel DeMasso, Thomas F. Coggins and Mr. [illegible].

A feature of the affair will be baseball game between the single and married men. Refreshments and free rides will be available for the children.

Teen Agers [illegible] Picnic [illegible]

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All Teen Agers of the parish are invited to attend.

Swiss Bishops

Basel, Switzerland — (NC) — The Swiss Hierarchy has sent a message to Pope Pius XII expressing their "sorrow and grief in view of the sentence passed on Archbishop Grosz of Hungary, which is a mockery of all right and and justice."

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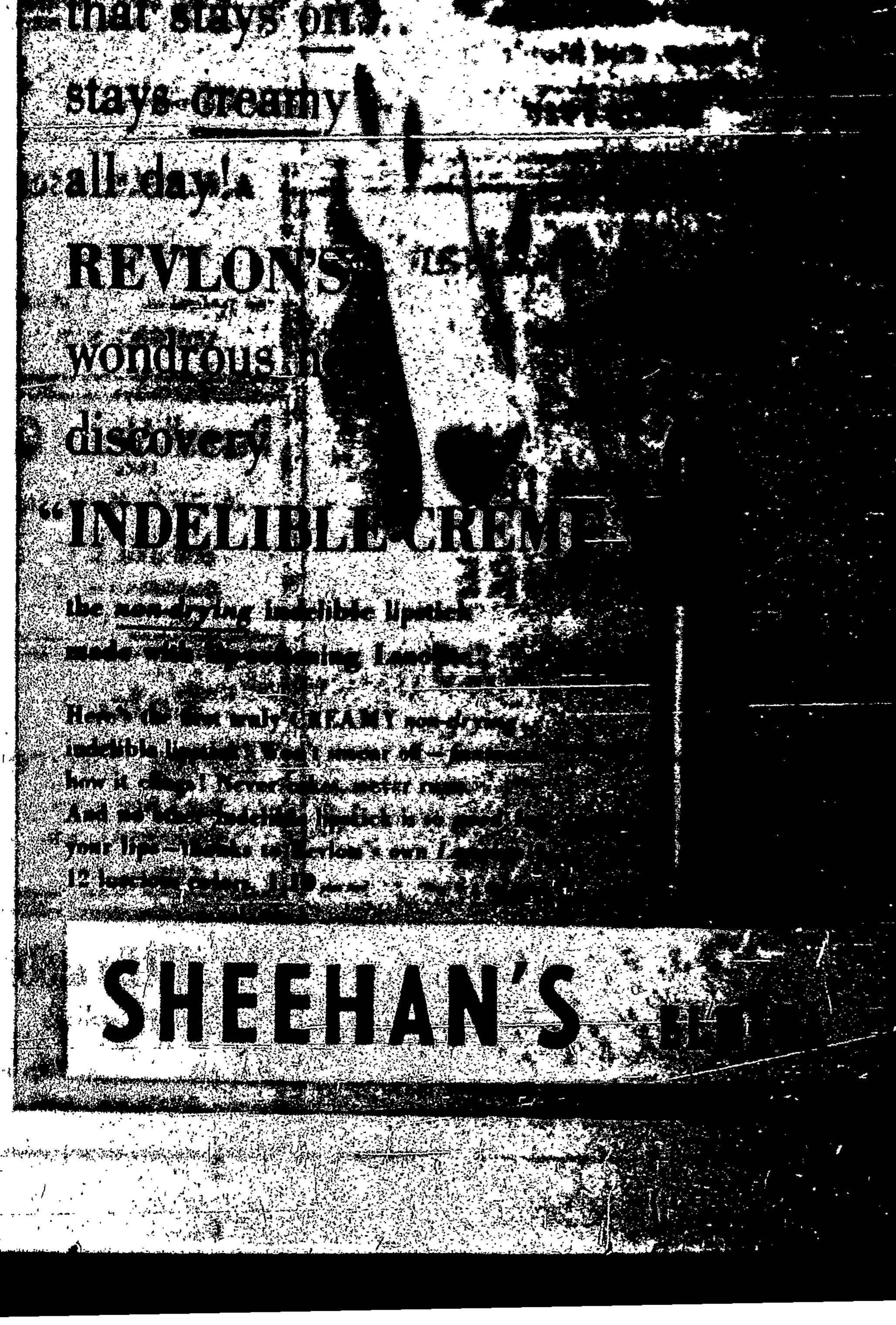
Tokyo — (NC) — [illegible]