

Rochester Group Attends Deaf Congress in Buffalo

Buffalo, N.Y. (Special) — Funds for erection of a Catholic School for the Deaf in Paterson, N.J., will be raised during the coming year by affiliates of the International Catholic Deaf Congress.

Delegates from deaf clubs throughout the United States gathered in Hotel Tilden in Buffalo to attend the 1951 International Catholic Deaf Congress. The group from Rochester included Mrs. Josephine Charlebois of Youngstown, Ohio, formerly a teacher in the Rochester School for the Deaf, one of the convention speakers, called for increased efforts by priests, nuns and graduates of Catholic schools to aid in giving religious education to deaf persons.

John D. Carroll of Morris Plains, N. J., president of the Deaf Club of New Jersey, chairman of the building fund committee, outlined the need for the proposed Paterson school as one of the convention speakers. He also urged federal and state aid to church-sponsored schools for the deaf.

Among interpreters during the convocation sessions was the Rev. Stephen Landherr, C.S.B., R., moderator of the Philadelphia Catholic Guild for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. A HOME for aged Catholic deaf was urged by Marcel A. Warnier of Toronto, who contended it would supply the spiritual comfort that many aged deaf now lack.

The Rev. Daniel Higgins, C.S.B., of DeSoto, Mo., who has worked with deaf adults and children for 50 years, said the sign language was easier to learn than German, French or Latin. BELMONT for two-year terms were:

President, Marcel A. Warnier; first vice-president, John D. Carroll, Morristown, N. J.; second vice-president, Frank C. Mayette, Paterson, Ont., Canada; third vice-president, William Garland, Arlington, Mass.; secretary, Nicholas S. Wojcik, Kitchener, Ont.; treasurer, James J. Coughlin, Buffalo.

Boston was named as the site of the next year's convention, with Detroit to be the scene of the 1953 meeting.

Auxiliary Meeting At Holy Apostles

Holy Apostles Ladies Auxiliary of St. John, 128 will meet in the school hall, Wednesday, August 15, at 8 p.m. Mrs. Leona Clifford, president, will preside.

Give Blood To Red Cross



AUBURN—When the Red Cross Blood mobile set up headquarters in the Parish House of St. Peter Episcopal Church, here, five Catholic Sisters of Mercy Hospital staff were among those who donated blood. The sisters are shown with Mrs. Robert A. Nelson, volunteer receptionist, and wife of Mr. Robert A. Nelson, chairman of the

Cayuga County Blood Program: Left to right; Sister Rose Ellen, assistant supervisor of the surgical dept. at Mercy Hospital; Sister M. Elaine, supervisor of the Operating room; Sister Joan Alice, 2nd floor supervisor; Sister Frances Flavia, admitting officer; and Sister Frances Flavia, dietician.

Funeral Services Held For Aide Of Auburn Prison

Auburn—Funeral services for E. Warren Van Riper, widely known and popular kitchen keeper at Auburn Prison, who died Aug. 3, 1951, at the prison, were held at his home, 34 Grover Street, at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 6.

A Solemn Requiem Mass was sung at 9:30 a.m. in St. Mary's Church by the Rev. Robert Downs, assisted by the Rev. Irving Sullivan as deacon and the Rev. Paul Lynch as subdeacon.

The Rt. Rev. Mgr. William E. Cowen and the Rev. Joseph Beattini were in the sanctuary. Burial was in the family plot in St. Mary's Cemetery, Waterloo, where the final blessing was conducted by Father Lynch, assisted by the Rev. George McCall.

ACTIVE MEMBERS were Charles Hawelka, Herbert Lincoln, Frederick Wilson, M. Delos Brown, William Mackin and Clarence Root.

Honorary bearers were Francis D. Alexander, George H. Knecht, Edward F. Ryan, Philip J. Conboy, Francis C. Marshall, John H. Smith, George V. Hickey and Francis C. Cuddy, all associates of Mr. Van Riper at Auburn Prison.

The Rosary was led at the home Sunday evening by Monsignor Cowen. Father Sullivan, Father Downs and Father Lynch.

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Lackawanna, N. Y.—(NC)—At least 26 nationalities worship here at Queen of All Saints Church, which has an Irish pastor and a Negro assistant.

Adding to the international atmosphere is the fact that the administrator of a nearby parish which sends its pupils to Queen of All Saints School is a former secretary to Archbishop Aloysius Stepinac, imprisoned Yugoslav priest.

NATIONALITIES represented in the parish include Austrians, Bulgarians, English, Bohemians, Slovaks, Croatians, Czechoslovakians, Dutch, French, Greeks, Germans, Hungarians, Indians, Italians, Latvians, Mexicans, Negroes, Poles, Puerto Ricans, Russians, Serbians, Syrians, Spanish, Scotch-Irish, Rumanians, Ukrainians, Welsh and others.

The Rev. Michael J. Gallagher, pastor, is a native of Ireland. His assistant, the Rev. William C. Gray, is one of the two Negro Priests in the Diocese of Buffalo. He studied in Rome and was ordained there.

Nearly 600 children of "all tribes and nations"—to use the Biblical term—attend the parish school conducted by the Felician Sisters.

The students are from Queen of All Saints parish and from three others in the vicinity which do not yet have schools. Among these is Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, whose administrator is the Rev. Stephen Lackovic, former

secretary to Archbishop Stepinac. TWENTY-EIGHT converts were recorded in the parish last year. Several of these are now daily communicants.

In all activities of the parish the various races work together without trouble. The buildings of the nearby housing project house many of the families. These buildings stretch for blocks, linked together in groups. Children of all nationalities play together daily.

The following members of the committee attended: Mesdames Hiram Barnes, William Dempsey, Fred Hery, William McFall, Joseph Schnorr, John Sexton, John Van Norstrand and Miss Helen Costello, Patricia Morgan.

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