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Area Attorney Leaves Practice For Trappists

First to be accepted in the newly established Trappist Foundation at Piffard will be a Geneva and Cyle attorney, Philip Lanasa, 29, who has given up his law career to enter the monastic life.

Lanasa, eldest of three sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lanasa, 100 Oak St., Geneva, had talked about entering the priesthood since a child. He was received at the Piffard Monastery near Geneseo, last week.

Formal name of the order is Clericalian Order of Strict Observance and also named for La-Trappe, France, where a famous monastery was founded in 1098.

AFTER graduating from St. Francis de Sales grammar school, and De Sales High school, the young Geneva was graduated from Canisius College and Albany law school. His education was interrupted by service in World War II during which he saw service in the South Pacific.

A wound in the left arm on Easter Sunday at Okinawa put him out of active duty and sent him to the hospital in Virginia for a couple of months. Then he returned home. He was awarded the Purple Heart.

Before opening his law office in Clyde a year ago, he was for about a year in the law office of M. Maurice Chacchia.

The young man has two brothers, Michael, at Camp Dix; and Charles is in high school. He also has three sisters, Miss Frances Lanasa, Miss Claudine Lanasa at home, and Mrs. Marina Guarino of Webster Ave., Rochester.

Dedication Cleveland, Ohio (NC) - A former club house, which had a bar and dance hall attached and which had previously been used as a theater, became the parish church of Our Lady of Fatima here at dedication ceremonies here.

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Creche Featured At Yule Party



THE NATIVITY CHILD featured at the annual Christmas Party of the Sacred Heart League of the Holy Family Church, Auburn held at the Osborne Hotel, Monday is visited by pupils at the party. In photo (from left) Rev. Donald M. Cleary, Cornell University Catholic Chaplain, speaker; Rev. Edward Tolster, moderator; Mrs. Joseph P. Cuddy, toastmistress; Magr. John A. Conway, pastor and Mrs. Edward T. Boyle, president.

Double Morality Standard. Upsetting World, Fr. Cleary Tells Auburn Group

Auburn - One of the great problems confronting men today is the one which arises out of men's use of the "double standard of morality," declared Rev. Donald M. Cleary, chaplain of Newman Foundation, Inc. Cornell University, at the annual Christmas dinner of League of the Sacred Heart of Holy Family Church, here Monday night.

Father Cleary spoke on the topic "Morals or Moria" at the largely attended gathering in the Osborne Hotel. The Cornell chaplain listed the four schools of thought prevalent in the United States concerning the nature of God.

"If you were to ask a hundred people their idea about the nature of God, you would receive some startling replies, probably one hundred different answers. If you analyze the answers, however, you will find that they can be broken down into four distinct categories:

- (1) The Atheist, who denies the existence of a Supreme Being.
(2) The Agnostic, who doubts, or says he doesn't know, or that one cannot know anything about God.
(3) The Neo-Pantheist, who admits to the existence of some other world force, possibly a trinity, possibly personal or a force with which he identifies himself in the sense that all living being is God.
(4) The Theist, who professes the existence of a personal and an entity or being, separate from the world, a Spirit, possessing the faculties of intelligence and will and the attributes of justice and mercy.

Father Cleary stated that from these divergent points of view the nature of God is determined to result in a two-fold standard of morality. "There is the morality which is based on the ideas of men and upon the unstable conventions of the day. This is what we call the 'double morality' - one a morality in which lying may be a virtue today and a vice tomorrow and the other a morality which is based on the objective one and is based upon the principle that the laws of conduct like the physical laws of the universe were established unchangeable and immutable by Almighty God. He says that lying and baseness and cheating and dishonesty have existed ten thousand years ago and will still be vices ten thousand years from now, regardless of the thinking of people. He says that justice and mercy will exist for and care of the sick and the old and honestly were virtues ten thousand years ago and will be virtues ten thousand years from now."

Elmira Wins Bowling-Euchre Matches Over Ithaca KC

Elmira Knights of Columbus were hosts to a group of fellow Knights from Ithaca Council last Sunday in the initial tilt of a home and home series of bowling and euchre matches at Columbus Center.

The Elmiraans emerged victorious in both events, leading in bowling by a total pinfall of 7723 to 7092.

INDIVIDUAL game honors for the winners went to Chet Robert with 548, closely followed by Same DeRenzo 512 and Francis O'Brien 510. The three top men for Ithaca were, Anthony Spino 492, L. Flynn 472 and J. Ganev 470. The two groups were closely matched in the euchre efforts, Elmira overcoming their guests by 19 games to 16.

Following the matches a dinner was served in the Center under the direction of Francis E. O'Brien, chairman of Inter Council activities, assisted by Dan Burns. There will entertain the Elmira Knights in a return engagement scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 27.

Mercy Nuns Hear Reading Expert

Dr. William D. Sheldon, head consultant on reading at Syracuse University, visited the Reading Laboratory of the Teacher Training School conducted by the Sisters of Mercy Friday to evaluate the reading program now in operation.

Two full time teachers and eight part-time teachers are engaged at the present time in the diagnostic reading program being conducted by the Sisters. Besides the 80 pupils now enrolled a long waiting list exists.

Dr. Sheldon is likewise director of the Reading Laboratory and the Testing Program at Syracuse University. Much of his time is spent in visiting schools and reading laboratories to advise and consult with reading teachers and diagnosticians.

Following Dr. Sheldon's evaluation program, he addressed the faculty of Our Lady of Mercy High School. A complete diagnostic Reading Test has been administered in the school as a basis for the reading improvement program now in progress in the high school.

Negro College Choir Heard Around World

New York (NC) - The concert choir of New Orleans' Xavier University Catholic university for Negro youth, has left New York City after a whirlwind four-day series of concerts, one of which was broadcast throughout the world.

The first Town Hall concert was carried by the Armed Forces Overseas Broadcasting Service and the Voice of America to servicemen and civilians abroad. Other broadcasts included an appearance on the Catholic Hour network program, and an evening broadcast on WQXR. The choir also recorded a series of programs for the United Negro College Fund.

The program closed with prayer led by Rev. Edward Tolster. A vote of thanks was given the co-chairladies, Miss Bernice Corman and Miss Bernadine Cox and committee members, Mrs. William McCarthy, Mrs. Robert E. Murphy, Mrs. Roger Austin, Mrs. Josephine Milhausen, Mrs. George Cuddy, Mrs. Edward Heerin, Miss Elizabeth Burns and Miss Katherine Cummings for the excellent program.

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Elmira Catholic Highlights

By ALICE BANNON The Sodality of Elmira Catholic High School is sponsoring a project of collecting toys to send to the St. Elizabeth Mission at Selma, Alabama. This was decided at the Sodality's last meeting held last week.

It was also decided that each pupil is to send spiritual bouquets to their parents, and that Christmas baskets be sent to needy patients at St. Joseph's Hospital. All pupils are asked to contribute their services to these worthy causes.

I am sorry to announce that the senior play "Big Hearted Herbert" has been postponed due to circumstances beyond our control. Formerly scheduled for the 17th and 18th of December, the play will now be presented early in February.

A LIBRARY council has been formed under the guidance of Sister Mary Stephen. Mary Ann Stratton has been named president, but so far the other officers have not been elected.

The Sodality has decided to give an assembly for Christmas. A short play, "The Christmas Story", will be presented. The cast is as follows: The Blessed Mother, Ruth Ann Olszowy; St. Joseph, Thomas Daly; Shepherds, Joe Horka, John Murphy, Bill Larden, and Tom Reidy; Wisemen, Chuck Jung, Jim Farley, and Dan Kelly; Attendants, John Waita, John Burns, Dick Meeker, and Bob Janeski; Herod, Tom Waita. The angels and choristers will be portrayed by senior girls.

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