

## Second Inquiry Class Series Set In Geneva

Geneva — Opening of a second series of Inquiry Classes for Catholics and non-Catholics in Geneva area on Friday evening, Feb. 8 is announced by the Rev. Edward K. Ball, pastor of St. Francis deSales Parish, here.

### Speaker



REV. RAYMOND KENNY

### Father Kenny To Lecture On Mass In Hotel Series

The Rev. Raymond Kenny of the faculty of St. Andrew's Seminary will give the next two lectures in the Catholic Information Series at Hotel Seneca, Rochester.

At the meeting to which non-Catholics are invited on Monday, Feb. 4, Father Kenny's topic will be "The Sacrifice of the Mass." He will again be lecturer on Monday, Feb. 11, and will illustrate his address with slides on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

### Nazareth Teacher Chosen Art Judge

Sister M. DeSales, head of the Art Department of Nazareth College, has again been chosen a member of the jury for the regional Scholastic High School Art Exhibition which will be held at Sibley's during the month of March. The judging will take place on Saturday, Feb. 9, at Sibley's.

High school students from Rochester and Western New York will enter their work in this exhibition which is sponsored jointly by Sibley, Lindsay & Curr Co. and the Board of Education.

Among the exhibitors will be students of a number of recent Nazareth College Art Department Alumnae, who are teaching in the area schools.

### Killmer Club Lists Cards On Feb. 8th

A parish card party, sponsored by the Joyce Killmer Club, will be held in the Blessed Sacrament Auditorium at 7:55 p.m., Friday, Feb. 8.

Jim Connolly is chairman and Olga Popowich is co-chairman of the fund-raising event. The price of admission is 74 cents.

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## Conferring on Christian Marriage



CANA CONFERENCE designed to imbue mixed couples with Christian principles are increasing in attendance in the Diocese of Rochester. Typical is the above taken at the evening conference participated in by 13 married couples from St. Margaret Mary Parish, Irondequoit, in Notre Dame Retreat House,

246 Alexander St., Rochester, on Jan. 28. In photo (from left) Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schnorr, Rev. Dr. Joseph M. Egan, St. Bernard's Seminary; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gears, Mr. and Mrs. Emile Steine and Mrs. Donald Lambertson. Mrs. Schnorr headed parish committee and Mrs. Gears is president of the parish Altar Society. (Courier Staff Photo)

### Attend Sodality Directors' Meet

The Rev. J. Joseph O'Connell, 18 Lake View Park, diocesan director of the Sodality of Our Lady, and the Rev. Patrick J. Grace, 34 Monica Street, attended the fourteenth annual meeting of diocesan directors of the Sodality of Our Lady, held at the Sodality headquarters, The Queen's Work, 3115 South Grand Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo., January 22-24.

Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter, of St. Louis, welcomed the group of 49 Sodality leaders, as did the Rev. Aloysius J. Heeg, S.J., national Sodality secretary.

Taking part in the discussions were Bishop David F. Hickey, S.J., of Belize, B. H., and the Very Rev. Peter Resch, Kirkwood, Mo., Provincial of the Society of Mary, and Chaplain (Major) Emmett L. Walsh, O.M.I., Fort Meyer, Va., who represented the Military Ordinariate, which has erected 17 Sodalities at Army posts.

The meeting considered practical procedures for putting into effect the prescriptions of Pope Pius XII's Apostolic Constitution regarding the Sodality. Topics were discussed in small groups according to a group dynamic method, some of them being: Selectivity and probation; development of personal holiness and the exercise of the apostolate.

Particular stress was laid on Sodality for men. A striking feature was the discussion of Sodalities for priests, led by the Rev. Joseph A. Hughes, Duluth, Minn., founder of this movement in the United States.

### Nurse Honored On 25 Year Service

Honoring Miss Mary H. (Molly) Scanlan, Supervisor of the Out Patient Department of St. Mary's Hospital, a group of her associates gave her a dinner at the Colony Restaurant on Jan. 28. The dinner was to mark Miss Scanlan's 25 years of service at St. Mary's. A dinner had been planned by the hospital previously but the day before Christmas, "Molly" as she is widely known had to enter the hospital, herself.

Miss Scanlan entered nurse training in 1918 and was graduated in 1921. She taught as Nursing Arts Instructor until 1925 and left St. Mary's to work in the Health Bureau. In January, 1927, she returned to St. Mary's to become supervisor of the Out Patient Department and Social Service, a post she has held since.

A past president of the Rochester Women's Aid Club, she is also widely known in the County Court circles through her work at the clinic. She resides at 14 Flora St.

### Ex-Aquinas Students Form Microfilm Firm

Three former Aquinas Institute students have organized a microfilm service company, known as Universal Microfilm, Inc. The organization is set up to give all phases of business and organizations complete service of microfilming. It provides the machinery, labor and film, and the work can be done at the client's laboratory, or at the plant premises.

Officers are: Edward Conzatti, who attended Aquinas Institute, and Utah State College; The Vice-president Carlisle Jacob attended M.I.T. in Boston; The Secretary Gerald Dorsey, also an attorney attended Aquinas, Niagara University, and Albany Law School. The Treasurer, Rudolph Passero, attended Aquinas and International Accounting Society.

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Any coward can fight a battle when he's sure of winning; but give me the man who has pluck to fight when he's sure of losing. —George Eliot.

### New Parish Lists 2 Units For Cana Conferences

Thirty-five married couples from St. James parish will make evening Cana Conferences next week at the Notre Dame Retreat House, 246 Alexander St.

So unexpectedly large was the response to the invitation for the first Cana activity in the new parish that it was necessary to divide the couples into two groups for separate conferences.

THE CONFERENCES, to be given by the Rev. C. Richard Nangle, assistant pastor of St. Peter & Paul Church, will be held at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 5, and Thursday, Feb. 7.

Mrs. Edmund Principe is general chairman of the parish Cana committee. In charge of the Tuesday night conference is Mrs. Charles Smith, while Mrs. Alfred Lockard heads the group handling the Thursday night conference.

### Fathers-Sons Dinner At Caledonia Set

The Fathers and Sons dinner for members of St. Columba's Parish, Caledonia and St. Patrick's, Mumfords, will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Caledonia-Mumford Central School Auditorium according to the Parish's Holy Name Society.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Charles P. Hilbert, M.M., veteran China missionary, whose home is in Rochester.

### Diocesan Camp Registration By Parents Set

Parents may now register their boys and girls for the coming summer at Camp Stella Maria, diocesan summer camp on Conesus Lake. Full information may be had by writing or calling at the Camp Office, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester 4, New York. The telephone is RAKER 7400.

### St. Louis Guild To See Mountain Films

Members of St. Louis Guild of St. Louis Church, Pittsford will meet Monday, Feb. 4 at 8 p.m. in the Pittsford Library.

After the business session, Dr. Henry Staehle of Eastman Kodak Company will show films of mountain climbing in the Rockies. Mrs. Basil E. Savard is chairman.

## Maryknoll Nun 'Easy Divorce' Hit From Here To Mark Jubilee

Sister Marie Pierre, the former Miss Bertha Josephine Samuels, of Rochester, is among the 27 Maryknoll Sisters who on Feb. 2 will celebrate around the globe, her Silver Jubilee in the community.

Other nuns who pronounced their vows with her on Feb. 2nd, Feast of the Purification in 1927, will be marking the day, some in Japan, in Korea, back in the United States and in the contemplative cloister at Maryknoll.

Sister Marie Pierre, who entered from St. Peter and Paul's Parish, Rochester, is widely known for her art work—sculpture, charcoal drawing, painting and Chi-Rho Art cards.

USING HER artistic ability for mission work, she has designed and painted many plaques and statues of Our Lady and of mission subjects. Her works in sculpture and paint are published under the name, Chi-Rho Arts. Sister Pierre's Stations of the Cross were selected as one of three outstanding works of art in the United States by Katherine Burton, the widely known author. The Stations are created outdoors at the Maryknoll Sisters Motherhouse at Maryknoll, N. Y.

Sister Pierre has a sister in the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Sister Mary Laurentina at St. Agnes Convent, 40 Park Place, Avon, N. Y. Another sister, Mrs. Louise M. Wehner lives at 223 Pullman Ave., Rochester.

### Sokolsky Talk Slated Tuesday

George E. Sokolsky, noted columnist, author and lecturer who will give the Thomas More Lecture Forum address on Tuesday, Feb. 5, in Columbus Civic Center Auditorium will be presented by Paul Miller, editor and publisher of Rochester Times Union.

Mr. Sokolsky will speak on "These Days" subject of his syndicated column.

Acting as ushers will be Mary Hebble, Fawn Scheffel, Mrs. Wm. Love, Myra Hanover, Violet Rowe, Mrs. J. Mallory Loos, Margaret Long, Mrs. John Boston. In the box office will be Helen Cooper and Shisley Engert.

## 'Easy Divorce' Hit As 'Menace' By N. Y. Catholic Group

Albany, N. Y. — (NC) — Warning that easy divorce is "one of the chief menaces of modern society," the New York State Catholic Welfare Committee has issued an appeal for unity in supporting legislation which will strengthen the marriage bond and safeguard the family.

In a statement by Charles J. Tobin, secretary, the Catholic Welfare Committee pointed out that one of the leading causes of the downfall of the Roman Empire was the ease with which divorce was granted.

"THE ENEMY IS within the gates — not without," said the statement. "The evils of divorce can be traced easily to human society."

Divorce is "injurious to society" in that it destroys the principle of divine authority, promotes dissensions, encourages sin and crime "as a means to freedom" and lowers the dignity of women, the Committee said.

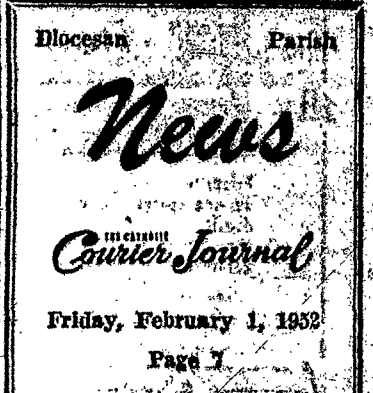
It is injurious to the family whose peace and stability it destroys and it is unjust to the wife and the children, the Committee added. Treading of the Catholic position on marriage and divorce, the statement said in part:

"Unity and indissolubility are the unique properties of Christian marriage. . . . Marriage is for life — and is therefore called indissoluble. It cannot be dissolved. Hence civil divorce is forbidden because the civil authority cannot break the bond of marriage which was made indissoluble by the Divine Law. The sacramental and consummated bond of matrimony is dissolved and broken only by death, according to the teachings of Christ, and this doctrine is reaffirmed by St. Paul."

CALLING FOR legislation to strengthen, rather than weaken, the bonds of marriage the New York group said:

"The common good demands that civil government should protect and strengthen the marriage ties, thereby preserving the marital union, conserving the home and safeguarding the children. The abuses arising from our divorce courts are well known to judges, lawyers, social workers and clergymen. They mark the breakdown of moral standards, the rejection of a divine Law-giver and result inevitably in the disintegration of family life."

A DECLINE in religious belief and practice in American life "will leave men and women a prey to their own passions, greed



and selfishness in marriage," warned the Committee. "Unless our fellow-citizens are motivated by spiritual ideals, a firm belief in God, the Atonement, marriage, and the duty to observe God's laws pertaining to marriage, they cannot long resist the invasion by their enemies of their homes and their families."

### Auburn Talk Set For Fr. Feller

Auburn — The Rev. Orrin W. Feller, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Moravia, will be the speaker at the Auburn First Saturday Luncheon Club, Feb. 2 at the Osborne Hotel. This activity, sponsored by "Auburn Diocese of St. Catharine's Council of Catholic Women," is scheduled to begin promptly at one o'clock.

The moderator of the Deacons' Council, the Rev. Kieran J. Hickey, O. C. M., will lead the group in opening and closing prayers. Mrs. George A. Snyder, chairman of the luncheon series, will preside.

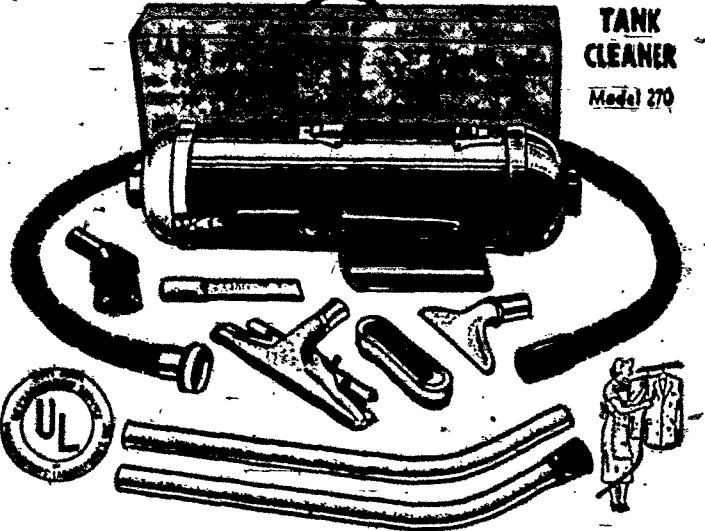
Reservations are in charge of Mrs. Harry M. Dillen, chairman of the Deacons' Spiritual Development Committee.

### St. Anne's Group To Hear Elmira Speaker

The Rosary and Altar Society of St. Anne's Church will meet in the school hall following the Holy Hour, Thursday, Feb. 4. Mrs. Mary E. Fitzgerald, executive director, Catholic Family Service of Elmira will be guest speaker.

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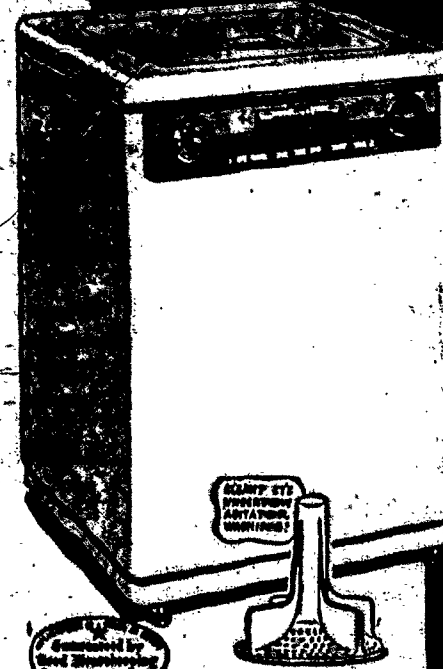
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