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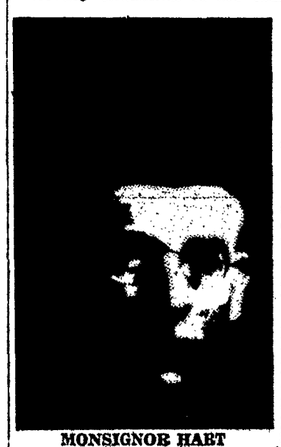
Bishop Kearney's High School Jubilee Fund

Diocese Plans Four New High Schools

$3,045,550 Goal Sought In High Schools' Drive As Jubilee Tribute To Bishop

The Diocese of Rochester will conduct a Fall campaign for funds as a forerunner to launch an ambitious $5,500,000 building program calling for the erection of four new Catholic high schools—one in Auburn, one in Elmira, and two in Rochester.

The diocesanwide drive, scheduled for October 28 to November 11, will seek a goal of $3,045,550 to help defray the cost of the new schools, according to the announcement made today by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, vicar-general of the diocese and honorary chairman of the campaign.


MONSIGNOR HART

The campaign to provide critically needed high school facilities will be called the "Bishop's High School Jubilee Fund" and will be a diocesan tribute to Bishop Kearney who will mark the twentieth anniversary of his consecration on October 28 and the fifteenth anniversary of his installation as Bishop of Rochester on November 11.

DETAILS OF the high school expansion program include:

1. Erection of a new Catholic boys' high school on the east side of Rochester. Planned to accommodate 1,000 boys, it is slated to be opened in September, 1954.

2. A new St. Agnes High School for girls to be built by the Sisters of St. Joseph on Westfall Road west of the West Henrietta Road in the thickly populated Rochester suburb of Brighton. Planned to accommodate 800 girls it will be opened in September, 1953, and will replace the present St. Agnes High School in East Main Street.

3. A new Catholic central high school to be erected on a 26-acre site on Maple Street in the south section of Elmira. Staffed by the Sisters of Mercy, the new high school will be opened in September, 1954, to 700 boys and girls.

4. A central high school to be erected in Auburn for 800 boys and girls on a site yet to be selected. Plans call for the opening of this school in September, 1954. It will be staffed by religious orders yet to be selected.

In addition to funds for the construction of these four high schools, the drive will provide for the reduction of the debt on De Sales High School in Geneva and create a revolving fund under the direct control of the Bishop to be administered at his discretion on the basis of loans for deserving causes.

Of the $3,045,550 campaign quota, Rochester and Monroe County has been assigned $1,706,500. Goals of $512,275 each have been established for Elmira and Auburn.

The new boys' high school for Rochester will be located on an east side site to be picked by a committee of clergy and laymen selected by Bishop Kearney.

THE BISHOP'S committee is now negotiating with several religious teaching orders of men who could conduct the new School. Selection of the order which will build the school with funds raised in the campaign and assume the remaining debt will be announced shortly.

The Basilian Fathers who operate Aquinas Institute have notified diocesan authorities that they can accommodate boys for high school education this year and next but cannot meet the influx of freshmen in 1954 with present facilities. That is why the new high school must be ready that year.

THE NEW ST. AGNES High is expected to meet the growing needs for high school facilities for girls. In addition to St. Agnes, high school courses are now open to Rochester area girls at Nazareth Academy, Our Lady of Mercy High School, Academy of the Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's Commercial School.

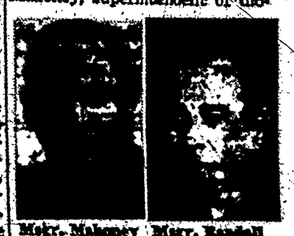
In announcing the building program and the campaign to partially finance it, Monsignor Hart emphasized that the amount raised in each locality for high schools over and above the quota will remain in that locality for high school expansion.

Campaign leaders are now being selected from among the clergy and laity. Campaign headquarters already have been established at the Sheraton Hotel in Rochester. Similar offices will be opened in Elmira and Auburn at an early date.

Msgr. Randall To Direct Fund Drive

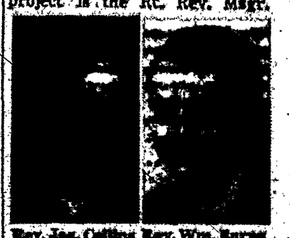
The Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall has been designated campaign director of the "Bishop's High School Jubilee Fund" which will be conducted throughout the diocese from October 28 to November 11.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles J. Mahoney, superintendent of diocesan schools, will serve as executive secretary of the campaign.


Msgr. Mahoney — Msgr. Randall

THE REV. WILLIAM BURNS, principal of Elmira Catholic High School, has been named to serve as clerical chairman of the campaign in Elmira and the Rev. James Collins, assistant pastor of Holy Family Church, Auburn, has been designated clerical chairman in the Auburn area.

Chairman of the executive committee directing the diocesanwide project is the Rt. Rev. Msgr. James C. McAniff, chancellor of the diocese.


Rev. Jas. Collins — Rev. Wm. Burns

Names of lay chairmen who will assist in the undertaking will be announced shortly, according to campaign officials.

PLANS FOR THE campaign call for the division of the diocese into zones consisting of parishes. Zone and parish chairmen, including priests and laymen, are being selected to form teams of workers who will spearhead the bid for the $3,045,550 high school fund.

Monsignor Randall, campaign manager, previously directed many successful diocesan fund drives including those for St. Andrew's Seminary, Nazareth College and St. John Fisher College.

Nazareth Faculty Member Honored At Rochester, England, Church Ceremony

Rochester, England — (Special) — The "New World" Diocese of Rochester, New York, was represented here in person and in spirit on Sunday, July 6, as the cornerstone was laid for a new St. John Fisher Church — first Catholic church in this community since the Reformation 400 years ago.

Vacationing in England, **Miss Rosemary White,** teacher of English at Nazareth College in Rochester, N. Y., attended the cornerstone-laying ceremony for the new church toward which Catholics of the American diocese, through their Ordinary, His Excellency Bishop Kearney, have contributed $30,000.

Presentation of the check from the American Catholics was scheduled to be made later this week by two priests enroute here — Monsignor Donald M. Cleary of Ithaca, N. Y., and the Rev. Richard Tormey of Rochester, N. Y.

Miss White, invited to attend the luncheon following the ceremony, was accorded the honor of sitting to the right of His Lordship Bishop Cyril Cowdery of Southwark, in whose diocese the ancient Rochester community is located.

Also present was the Mayor of Rochester, Alderman A. J. Anderson, and members of the City Corporation in their official robes.

The Rev. Thomas O'Riordan, pastor of the Chatham, Kent, parish of which Rochester is a part, proposed a toast to Bishop Cowdery of Southwark and to Bishop Kearney of Rochester, N. Y., and said: "We feel there has been a great link made today between the two dioceses."

In his sermon following the cornerstone rite, Bishop Cowdery took particular note of the generosity of Rochester (U.S.A.) Docesan Catholics. He pointed out that the new church, besides providing a link with America, also will link with the past:

"As we look back to the days of Catholic Rochester, the figure that towers above them all, the Bishop to whom we look with greatest reverence and admiration, is the Bishop who ruled over this diocese for 30 years — John Fisher, Bishop of Rochester and Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church, now acclaimed as St. John Fisher, Bishop and Martyr."

MISS WHITE, promising to describe the ceremony to Bishop Kearney on her return to America, said it was "very impressive," and that "the whole day bore witness to the fervor and the Catholic spirit of the people."

The new church, to be of Romanesque or Norman style, will cost approximately $70,000 and will seat 350 persons. Thus far only part of the building has been licensed for construction, and is expected to be ready for use next spring.

BISHOP KEARNEY decided to help in its erection when he heard that the town in England from which his own diocese gets its name had no Catholic church. He appealed to his people, and the $30,000 contribution was made through all parishes on Whitsunday. A third of the amount came from diocesan clergy.

Catholics here have had to go to Mass at Chatham, a naval center several miles away.

SISTERS—DENTAL SURGEONS

The Doboslewicz family of Erie, Pa., can boast of this unique trio, three daughters who won doctorates in dental surgery, also two sons who are Catholic priests. Left to right are: Dr. Mary Elizabeth Doboslewicz, who received her degree in June; Dr. Helen Doboslewicz, a practicing dentist for ten years, Erie's only woman dentist; Dr. Sonia Doboslewicz Panteres, former Erie Public School dentist and now wife of Dr. Eugene Panteres, dentist of Lackawanna, N. Y. (NC Photos).

Maryland Governor Gives Papal Medal To Bridge Worker

Annapolis, Md. — (NC) — Gov. Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland presented a medal he received from Pope Pius XII to a Catholic workman on the new Chesapeake Bay bridge here.

Governor McKeldin, a Methodist, drove across the bridge to inspect it prior to the official opening scheduled for July 30. He stopped to chat with workmen along the way who were eating lunch.

The Governor asked one group if any of them were Catholics. When Joe Novosel of Annapolis spoke up, Governor McKeldin gave him the medal. Pope Pius gave it to the Maryland chief executive when he was visiting Rome.

The new bridge spans Chesapeake Bay from Sandy Point, near Annapolis, to Maryland's Eastern Shore.

Guides WAVES

Lt. Comdr. Kathryn Dougherty, USN, of Sacred Heart parish, Waterloo, Ia., who has been named Deputy Director of Washington, D. C. Lt. Comdr. Dougherty has been in the Naval Service since Sept., 1942.

Instruction On Sacred Art

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Holy See Bans 'Second-Rate' Statues, Explains Church Architecture Standards

Vatican City —(NC)— In accordance with the traditional principles of the Church governing "sacred art," the Holy See has instructed Bishops throughout the world to "severely forbid second-rate and stereotyped statues and effigies to be multiplied."

In building new churches, the Bishops are advised to let them "be resplendent also for the simple beauty of their lines," and to avoid any "deceitful adornment" as well as anything "that savors of a neglect of art."

BISHOPS ARE furthermore instructed to entrust execution of sacred works of art "only to men who are outstanding for their technique, and who are capable of expressing sincere faith and piety, which is the purpose of any sacred art."

These prescriptions are contained in an "Instruction to Ordinaries on 'Sacred Art,'" which had been issued on June 30, 1952, by the Supreme Sacred Congregation of the Holy Office, and published July 18 in Osservatore Romano. Together with the Latin text, an English translation of the document was made available by Vatican authorities.

The Instruction, which documents the Church's rules on sacred art going as far back as the Second Council of Nicea (787) is understood to have been rendered necessary by the aberrations of a pseudo-sacred art, whose "corrupt and errant forms" have recently been reprobated by the Holy See. It declares:

"OF NO MOMENT are the objections raised by some that sacred art must be adopted to the necessities and conditions of the present times.

"Sacred art, which originated with Christian society, possesses its own ends, from which it can never diverge, and its proper function, which it can never desert."

After recapitulating the pertinent documents, including a discourse by Pius XI and the present Pope's Encyclical Letter On the Sacred Liturgy (1947), the Holy Office formulates rules concerning architecture and descriptive art (painting and sculpture) for the attention of Ordinaries throughout the world.

Concerning sacred architecture, the rules say that, "although it may adopt new styles, (it) cannot in any way be equated with profane building." Sacred architecture "must always perform its own office," the decree adds: to be fitting for "the house of God and the house of prayer."

"In building churches," the instruction says, "care should be had of the convenience of the faithful, so that they can take part in the divine offices with a better view and better attention; let new churches be resplendent also for the simple beauty of their lines, abhorring all deceitful adornment; but still everything that savors of a neglect of art or of a want of pains should be avoided."

Ordinaries are furthermore reminded of the canonical prescriptions that the Most Blessed Eucharist should be kept in the most distinguished and honorable place in an immovable tabernacle set in the middle of the altar.

REGARDING descriptive art, the instruction cites the norms laid down in Canon 1279 that, without the approval of the Ordinary, nobody is allowed to place or cause to be placed in any church or in any other sacred place an unusual picture. Furthermore, no sacred images are to be approved for public exposition if they do not agree with the approved usage of the Church.

The Bishops should see to it, the instruction points out, "that everything is removed from sacred buildings which is in any way contrary to the holiness of the place and the reverence due to the house of God. Bishops and religious Superiors should "refuse permission to edit books, papers or periodicals, in which there are printed pictures foreign to the sentiment and decrees of the Church."

Mountain Crash Ends Priests' Flying Vacation

Penticton, B. C. —(NC)— The Rev. Lambert Lavoie of Detroit received a broken ankle when a light plane in which he and the Rev. Vincent Myrick, also of Detroit, were flying crashed into wild mountain terrain 10 miles northwest of here.

The two priests were on a flying vacation when the crash occurred. They were stunned temporarily in the crash and spent two and a half days without food and water in 100-degree heat.

THEY HAD TAKEN off from Penticton, B. C., and were flying through the mountains to Vancouver, 160 miles away, en route to Seattle to visit Father Lavoie's uncle. A downdraft pulled their craft down 400 feet on to the top of a ridge on a Rocky Mountain slope.

Father Lavoie, who has more than 700 hours of flying time to his credit, was the pilot.

Both priests quickly revived after being stunned. The plane was a total wreck.

THE CRASH occurred in the afternoon. The priests decided to stick near their craft that night. They remained with the plane all the following day but sighted only one plane, which did not sight them. It was then decided that Father Myrick would head for the nearest town and try to get help. After seven hours he reached a farm at Summerland, near here.

The first thing the tired priest asked for was a cold drink of water.

The farmer telephoned to the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Then he drove Father Myrick to the airfield and Father Myrick went aloft in an RCAF plane to help pin point the scene of the crash.

AS THE RESCUE plane took off, a ground rescue party also set out. When the plane located the scene of the crash it circled over head to guide the ground party.

The ground party walked and stumbled over the shale of the mountainside — which at times was at an angle of almost 65 degrees — for seven hours before they reached the site of the crash. There they found Father Lavoie standing with the aid of improvised crutches which he had made from boughs of pine trees. He also had picked some berries but was saving them in case rescuers did not get to him soon.

No Swimming In Iowa For Parochial Pupils

Salix, Iowa—(NC)—Even the ol' swimmin' hole no longer seems safe from those who invoke the separation of church and state.

Here in Salix parochial school children have been barred from riding public school buses to nearby Sioux City for free Red Cross swimming lessons.

THE BUS TRIPS were arranged by the Salix Public School Board as an extracurricular summer activity. State Attorney General Robert L. Larson ruled that under an Iowa Supreme Court decision, parochial school students can't ride on public school buses.

Woodbury County's sheriff and two deputies stood by as the first trip since the attorney general's ruling got underway uneventfully.

EARLIER, ONE of the weekly trips had been cancelled when 18 Catholic children boarded the bus despite a public school board ruling that they were not entitled to go along. Parents of the children cited an opinion by Warren G. Dunkle, assistant county attorney, that they had a right to ride.

The free swimming lessons at Sioux City — unlike the Woodbury County School buses—are open to children of all races, creeds and colors. These lessons are an annual project of the county Red Cross and the Sioux City park department.

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China Reds Oust 3 U. S. Priests,

Hong Kong —(NC)—Three American priests, a French Bishop and two French priests have arrived here after their ouster from Red China.

The Americans are the Revs. Kenneth Williams of Brooklyn and Walter Menig of St. Albans, L. I., N. Y., both Vincentians, and Albert V. Fedders, Ky.

The French prelate is 47-year-old Bishop Lucien Lacoste of Taki, Yunnan province, in the southwest corner of China. Bishop Lacoste, a native of Navailles-Angos, France, was held in communist jails four months before his expulsion.

Japan Parish Lists 102nd Convert

Toyooka, Japan —(NC)— Celebration of the first anniversary of the Catholic mission here was marked by the baptism of the 102nd convert.

Administering the Sacrament was Bishop Paul Taguchi of Osaka, who also confirmed 105 Catholics in the same day. Among those witnessing the rites was the mayor of Toyooka.

Truman Signs Bill Giving Nuns Sanctuary

Washington — (NC) — President Truman has signed a bill granting permanent U. S. residence to four Polish nuns who were expelled from China by the communists after service as missioners there which added up to 64 years.

THE NUNS, now working at hospitals in the Midwest, were running a hospital and school at a mission in Chunfehfu when the Reds took the town in 1948. They were permitted to operate for a while, but later Sister Helena Ginal, the mother superior, was jailed and the other Sisters kept as virtual prisoners for eight months. Expulsion from China followed.

After going first to the Philippines, the four Sisters came to the United States May 27, 1949, on temporary visitors' visas which were subsequently extended. They are Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

SISTER HELENA Ginal, who served in China 18 years before her expulsion, is now at De Paul Hospital, St. Louis, along with Sister Anna Szoldrska. Sisters Anna Gluchowska and Bronislawa Szewczyk are working at St. Mary's Hospital, Milwaukee.

The bill granting them permanent residence was introduced by Rep. Charles J. Kersten of Wisconsin.

Hearing Held On Baptist 'Parochial' School Charges

La Vega, Tex.—(RNS)—A stormy school board hearing on charges that Superintendent P. W. Shelton ran the town's school system "like a Baptist parochial institution" was closed here by board chairman P. N. Hallmark with a promise that a public report would be made shortly.

The hearing was held after 500 parents had signed a 226-page petition charging Mr. Shelton with violating the principle of Church-State separation. They demanded his dismissal and the rehiring of school principal Joel Grimland who was fired last spring.

THE PARENTS claimed that teachers and students of the school were forced to attend religious sessions that were mainly "Baptist-style," and that three Catholic students got failing grades because they did not attend a Baptist convention at Baylor University in nearby Waco.

Witnesses presented and questioned at the hearing by E. H. O'Dowd, attorney for the petitioners, also accused Mr. Shelton, superintendent for the past 22 years, of discriminating against students of Latin-American descent and of other irregularities.

MR. O'DOWD protested the halting of the hearing after three hours, saying he had 45 more witnesses to call. He said that if necessary, he would "drag the board members into district court," to get all of the witnesses' complaints on the record.

In opening the hearing, Mr. Hallmark said that the board had investigated the charges of religious sessions and found them to be "isolated instances." The board has ordered them discontinued, he said, except for daily readings from the King James version of the Bible which is permitted by state law.

La Vega is a rapidly-growing and prosperous community on the outskirts of Waco.

Book Documents Tito Persecution

London — (NC) — Vatican Radio has announced the publication of a book entitled "Tito the Persecutor," which reviews the persecution of religion in Yugoslavia until the present day.

The book, written by a Croat priest identified as Father Veorgivic, is said to be fully documented.

The book, which has just come out in a Spanish edition, is also being translated into English, French and Italian. Editions in these languages will be ready soon, Vatican Radio said.

Holy Father In Summer Villa

Rome— (RNS) —Pope Pius took up residence at his summer villa in Castle Gandolfo after making the eighteen-mile trip from the Vatican by automobile.

At the first of the summer audiences at Castle Gandolfo the Pope received several hundred American sailors and civilians.

'Shrimp Boats'

Biloxi, Miss. — (NC) — A street parade of 16 floats depicting the evolution of the shrimp industry on the Mississippi Gulf Coast will feature this year's annual blessing of the Biloxi shrimp fleet August 3.

The floats will be followed by a parade of shrimp trawlers. The boats will parade two abreast up the Biloxi channel. After they have passed the reviewing stand each will close slowly past a priest, who will bless the boat and crew.

The Fish and Wild Life Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior will film the blessing ceremonies as part of an educational film, "The Story of Shrimp."

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