

Formosa Student At Nazareth College Hails President's Move For Island

By WALTER KOLESNIK

President Eisenhower's order releasing the Seventh Fleet, a highlight of his "State of the Union" address Monday, has the endorsement of a Nazareth College junior whose interest in the matter is more than casual. She is Miss Bessie Huang, a resident of Formosa, the island stronghold of Chiang Kai-Shek. Her father is attached to the Chinese Nationalist government there.

Eisenhower's cancellation of the orders issued by former President Truman in June, 1950, is considered his first move to step up military pressure on the Chinese Reds to achieve peace in Korea and throughout Asia. Under the Truman orders, the U. S. fleet has prevented Nationalist troops on Formosa from raiding the Red China mainland.

Limiting action to Korea, Bessie believes, will not be enough to stop communism in Asia, since Red strength is chiefly on the mainland. According to her, the non-Communist Chinese have at least one thing in common with millions of Americans: they like Ike. The 20-year-old biology major indicated that his foreign policy move would not lessen that fondness.

Bessie was born in Paris, where her parents first met. Both were there in diplomatic service. When Bessie was only two months old, her father was transferred to Nanking. Thereafter, depending upon his assignments, they lived in Sumatra, Singapore, Calcutta, Chungking, Peiping, Nanking, and returned to France for three years. Her parents now live in Taipei, Formosa, at 119 Ch'i Chang Lu, Chang Nan Li, Hsi Tai.

A SCHOLARSHIP brought Bessie to Nazareth College in 1951, and she has been heading dean's lists ever since. Besides being an excellent biology student, she is an accomplished violinist and artist.

While she plans to return to Formosa after she completes her education, her parents have advised her to remain in the United States until conditions in the orient settle. She is taking a pre-medical course, but may do advanced work in biology after graduation.

English is no obstacle to Bessie. She studied the language at the British school in Singapore, at schools in France, and at the Sisters of Providence school in Tai Chung, Formosa.

Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Friday, Feb. 6—St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell.

Sunday, Feb. 8—St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

Tuesday, Feb. 10—St. Joseph's Villa, Rochester.



HER HOMETOWN in far-off Formosa was brought near to Miss Bessie Huang, student at Nazareth College as she heard radio "State of the Union" address by President Eisenhower. The President's announced foreign policy action won her approval, she said. (Courier Staff Photo).

ter, she applied for an American scholarship to the National Catholic Welfare Commission in Washington. Father Mao, then with the N.C.W.C., now a missionary in Formosa, recommended her to Nazareth.

Library Membership Drive Opens In Elmira Deanery

Annual membership drive for St. Christopher's Library, in Elmira has begun with enthusiasm under the leadership of Mrs. William Roberts, president, and Mrs. Charles Williams, membership chairman.

Members of the Board of Directors are visiting each affiliate of the Elmira Deanery to tell of the work of the Library and to solicit members.

During the next few weeks Mrs. James Mallon will speak at the meeting of the Sodality of Our Lady, St. Patrick's Parish; Miss Mary Corley at the February meeting of the Ladies of Charity; and Miss Grace Miller to the Sodality of St. Mary's of Horseheads, the Altar and Rosary Society of St. Mary's, Parish of Elmira, and The Immaculate Heart Society of St. Peter and Paul's Parish.

THE DRIVE will reach its climax during the last week of February, "Catholic Book Week." Open House will be held on Sunday, February 22 at the Library. Rev. Benedict Ehmann, pastor of Our Lady of the Lake Church of Watkins Glen, will be guest speaker. Mrs. Daniel Kennedy is

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3 Sisters Of St. Joseph Paid Final Tribute

Funeral services for three Sisters of St. Joseph were held during the week at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford. Tributes were paid to Sister M. Saint Agnes, Sister M. Vincentia and Sister M. Melita.

Last Saturday, the Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered for Sister M. Melita Rafferty. Rev. Russell Pendergast, C.S.B., was celebrant, assisted by Rev. L. Edward McManus, deacon. Rev. Roy B. Morphy, Sub-deacon, Rev. William H. Shannon, Master of Ceremonies, and Rev. Edward J. Lintz, Thurifer. Rt. Rev. Magr. Joseph H. Geffell and Rt. Rev. Magr. Louis Edelman were also present in the sanctuary. Monsignor Geffell gave the last blessing at the grave.

A native of Seneca Falls, Sister Melita entered the Sisters of Saint Joseph in 1900. She taught in a number of the diocesan schools including Holy Apostles and St. Augustine's in Rochester, Immaculate Conception, Ithaca, and St. Theodore's, Gates. She was also principal of St. Mary's School, Waterloo, for twelve years.

Sister Melita is survived by several nieces and nephews.

'Parish' Topic Picked For Discussion By 250 Clubs In Diocese During Lent

More than 250 Discussion Clubs organized in the Diocese of Rochester for Lenten discussion in 1953 will concentrate on "the parish" according to the Rev. Albert H. Schnack, diocesan director, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine arranging for the clubs.

The pamphlet chosen for this year's study is entitled: "Our Parish: House of God and Gate of Heaven," by the Rev. H. A. Reinhold, diocesan director of Christian Doctrine, Diocese of Yakima, Washington. This pamphlet was used ten years ago in the Lenten series.

"AS WE ARE proud of our hometown, so we should be proud of our own parish," Father Reinhold said of the program for study.

He pointed out that a conscientious study of this pamphlet will make Discussion Club members parish-conscious, and thus parish-bound. It is a study of the parish altar, the parish confessional, the parish baptistry, the parish sick-call.

Parish priests are familiar with the workings of a Discussion Club, Father Schnack said, this week. The members, ten at the most, gather once a week for an hour at the homes of one of the members. One member is chosen as "leader" and directs the discussion.

EACH member, Father Schnack said, should have a copy of the pamphlet and read the Chapter beforehand. Then, at the meeting, the members will take turns reading the text, and then also take turns answering the questions at the end of the Chapter. Difficult questions and problems will be referred to the parish priest.

Membership certificates certifying the indulgences gained will be issued to members who complete the six weeks of discussion.

Hornell Society Names New Staff

Hornell—Mrs. Henry Hebenstreit was elected president of St. Ignatius Loyola Rosary-Altar Society at a business meeting in the home of Mrs. Raymond Curry, Canisteo St.

Fr. William Boland's Rites To Be Held In Rochester

The funeral of the Rev. William T. J. Boland, pastor of Immaculate Conception Church (Old Cathedral) in Leavenworth, Kansas, who died in Kansas, Monday, Feb. 2, 1953 will be held in his native Rochester on the return of the body from Kansas.

Father Boland who was also president of the Diocesan High School Board in the Diocese of Kansas City in Kansas, attended St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester and completed his education for the priesthood in Kansas. He was ordained in June, 1921.

HIS PARISH was originally in the Diocese of Leavenworth which became the Diocese of Kansas City in 1947.

The former Rochester priest's two brothers, Edward J. Boland residing at the family home; 256 Parkway and Michael F. Boland went to Kansas to accompany the body home. Arrangements there were in charge of the Rev. J. Kenneth Spurlock, pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, Kansas City in Kansas, a long-time friend of Father Boland's.

Arrangements for services here were not completed as this issue went to press.

Cartoons on Display
A collection of original cartoons by Elmer R. Messner, editorial cartoonist of the Rochester Times-Union, have been put on display in the special exhibition hall on the second floor of the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences.

The one-man show of Messner's work will continue on view until April 1. There are 65 editorial page cartoons and portraits in the showing.

Police Recite Rosary With Bishop



ON THE FEAST of the Purification, Monday night, recitation of the Family Rosary for Peace on WSAY at 7 p. m. from St. Francis of Assisi Center, Rochester, was led by His Excellency Bishop Kearney. Responses were by members of the Rochester Police Holy Name Society. The Bishop will again lead the Rosary on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on WSAY, Wednesday, Feb. 11. (Courier Staff Photo).

Lenten Novena To Open Tuesday

Annual Lenten Novena in honor of our Blessed Mother and St. Anthony will open in St. Anthony's Church, Elmira on Tuesday, February 10.

Services will be held each Tuesday morning at 11:15 a.m. and again in the evening at 7:30 p.m. They include recitation of the Novena prayers to our Blessed Mother and St. Anthony, by members of the congregation, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and veneration of the relic of St. Anthony.

Mrs. Clauss Heads K. C. Auxiliary

Mrs. Edward A. Clauss was re-elected president of the Ladies of Columbus for the coming year, at the last meeting.

Others elected were, Mrs. Albert V. Bogardus, vice president; Mrs. Harry Altman, secretary; Mrs. William J. Murtaugh, treasurer; Mrs. Joseph Limoncelli, social chairman; Mrs. Paul Willis, sentinel; Mrs. Justin F. Romaszer, trustee.

Plans were discussed for activities to be held during the term of the newly designated officers, including installation ceremonies and a dinner at the next meeting of the group.

Culture Lectures To Open With Dr. Pattee Address

Dr. Richard Pattee, nationally known lecturer and author will open the first in a series of Christian Culture Lectures on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in the Dunn Memorial Auditorium, Elmira.

These informative lectures have been arranged and sponsored by the Elmira Deanery Council, Holy Name Societies under the direction of Cressy A. Mowrey, president. Aiding in the program are Charles J. Kromer, Frank A. Groom and John D. Frawley.

DR. PATTEE will speak on "Tito and National Marxism," a subject much in the foreground of American thinking for the past several years.

Holy Name Societies of the Deanery participating include Elmira, Waverly, Oswego, Trumansburg, Watkins Glen and Corning.

The Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor of St. Anthony's church is Deanery Moderator.

Valentine Dance Set By Lourdes Sodality

A Valentine dance, sponsored by the Sodality of Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Elmira, will be held in the hall on Wednesday evening Feb. 11. Dancing will be from 8:30 until 11:30 p.m. with music furnished by Peterson's orchestra.

William Updyke, chairman of social committee is in charge of arrangements and will be assisted by officers of the group.

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British Jesuit
Tokyo—(INC)—Father Martin C. D'Arcy, S.J., Provincial of the English Province of the Society of Jesus, arrived here by air for a seven-week visit.

Solemn Closing Set For Lourdes Novena

Solemn closing of the Novena in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes now being held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Elmira, will take place Tuesday evening February 10 at 7:45 p.m.

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