

Oldest Priest
Honolulu (NC)—Father Valentin Frank, SS.CC., called the oldest member of the clergy in Hawaii, died in St. Francis Hospital here. He was 83.

Corning Athlete Gives Life In Korea Action

Corning—Word was received in Corning Monday, March 9, by Mr. and Mrs. James Hogan of 224 W. First St., that their son, Pfc. Mark Hogan, was killed in action in Korea on March 7, 1953.

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Elmira Parish Basketball League Results
A surprisingly easy victory over St. Cecilia five earned for St. Casimir's cagers at least a tie for the Second Round title in the Elmira Parochial Basketball League, last week.

ARRANGE MARCH 17th FETE



ST. PATRICK'S DAY dance to be held in St. Mary's Parish new auditorium is being planned by (from left) John E. Strong, Arthur M. O'Neara and Mrs. James P. O'Leary, president of the Altar and Rosary Society. (Courier Staff Photo)

Mary Intercedes For All Men, Saturday Unit Told

Hornell—The Blessed Virgin Mary, as Queen of Heaven and earth, is the solicitous representative of all mankind before the throne of God, the Rev. Robert MacNamara told a First Saturday luncheon group.

Father MacNamara, assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, was principal speaker at a luncheon meeting Saturday in the Moose Club. This was the fifth in the current series sponsored by Hornell District, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, in honor of Our Lady of Fatima.

SUGGESTIONS for meditation on the Fifth Glorious Mystery of the Rosary—the Crowning of the Blessed Mother as Queen of Angels and Saints—were given by the priest.

"Mary's coronation in Heaven was an occasion of sublime joy," he said. "We can picture, even with human hearts, a measure of the delight God the Father felt at receiving His most perfect creature into the Court of Heaven."

"God, the Son, shared that delight in seeing His beloved Mother attain her place in Heaven. God, the Holy Ghost, welcomed her as His sublime spouse."

Mary merited her Heavenly honors through the extraordinary privileges bestowed upon her by God, the priest continued.

She, of all mankind, was spared the effects of original sin. She also was the only woman to become a mother and preserve her virginity. Her body was spared corruption after death, since it was assumed in its perfect condition, into Heaven.

THE CONCERN Mary feels for all her children stems from another great privilege, Father MacNamara said. She was given to mankind as his mother by her Divine Son on Calvary when he said to St. John:

"Son, behold thy mother," and to Mary, "Mother behold thy son."

The Rev. John L. Coonan, spiritual director of Hornell District, DCW, gave a brief talk on Divine Providence.

"God's handiwork is evident in all things," he said. "That fact is manifest vividly in the recent death of Stalin. For all his power, Stalin had to accept death through Absolute Authority."

"President Eisenhower beautifully expressed the sentiment each of us should feel in his prayer that Stalin's successor work for the welfare of the people and to bring about peace."

Father Coonan continued. "We have a special obligation to pray for that end, since it was Our Lady of Fatima's prediction that Russia will be converted if the world returns to Christ," he concluded.

Miss Josephine Fitzgerald, president of the Hornell District, was toastmistress. She announced that branch of the Catholic Reading Club, under sponsorship of the Hornell District, has been opened in St. Ignatius Loyola Church, Misses Armella and Elizabeth Brill are librarians. Books may be obtained in the entrance room to the church each Wednesday evening following Lenten services.

The speakers' table was centered with a hand-carved statue of Our Lady of Fatima, flanked by bouquets of pink and white sweet peas.

Marquette Diocese Marquette, Mich. (NC)—The Marquette diocese will celebrate its centennial year with ceremonies in the See city of Marquette on August 30.

St. Patrick's Day Dance Set By St. Mary's HN Men

The annual St. Patrick's Day dance sponsored by the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Parish will be held in the new auditorium on Tuesday evening, March 17. Music will be furnished by Dick Hamlin's orchestra and dancing will be from 9 until 1.

ARTHUR M. O'NEARA, general chairman, announces that the affair will be arranged cabaret style.

Assisting on the committee are John E. Strong, publicity; Joseph Kempe, entertainment; Leo Pint Sr., refreshments; John Murphy, tickets; Alfred Denton, Frank Maloney, Thomas Donahue and Thomas Stapleton.

Vocalists appearing on the program are Erminia Palmieri, Louis Saxe Jr. and the Morgan Trio.

Preacher



REV. PHILIP DION, C.M., opening retreat for Catholic students in St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel at Cornell University.

Elmira Catholic Bowling League

Table with bowling league results including names like St. Patrick #2, St. Peter & Paul, and scores for various teams.

Forty Hours

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

- Sunday, March 15—Holy Rosary, St. Ignace's, St. Michael's, Rochester; St. Stephen's, Geneva.

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Newman Club Lists Spaghetti Supper

Elmira—Cornell Newman Club will hold a Spaghetti Supper at the Alpha Phi Delta fraternity house, 515 Stewart Ave., on Saturday, March 14.

Designed for Newman Club members and their guests, the supper will begin at 7 o'clock. Refreshments will be served later. Music will be provided by the John Ferrara combo.

Tickets are on sale in Monsignor Donald M. Cleary's office at Annabel Taylor Hall; price per ticket is \$2.50.

Sacred Heart League Sets Promoters Meeting

A meeting of the League of the Sacred Heart promoters will be held at the Academy of the Sacred Heart, 8 Prince Street, Sunday, March 15, at 4 p.m.

Anyone who would like to become a member of the League and participate in the prayers and good works of members of the League throughout the world is most welcome to attend.

Cornell Students Hear Vincentian

Ithaca—Father Philip Dion, C.M., gave the annual retreat for Catholic students at Cornell University, March 1-3. Father Dion, a member of the faculty of St. John's University in Brooklyn, stressed in his talks the practical applications of the teachings of Christ to college students in their daily life.

The program for the retreat included Mass in the morning followed by a short instruction, conferences in the afternoon, and private consultations.

Evening devotions, consisting of Rosary, sermon, and Benediction, were also held. The retreat was closed by the Apostolic Blessing, given by Father Dion.

Elmira CDA To Receive 17

Reception for 17 candidates for Court St. Rita 137, Catholic Daughters of America, in Elmira, will be held on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. in the club rooms at State and Church streets.

Miss Margaret Barrett, District Deputy of Corning, will be presiding officer. Assisting will be Mrs. Edward J. Widman, grand regent, and Mrs. Francis B. O'Connor, vice grand regent.

Affiliates to be received are, Madames Mary Reidy, William Gilbert, Robert McBride, Esther Mettack, Mary Cernak, Agnes Baker, Francis Curran, Peter Chalk, John Orzech, Clayton Gallagher, Daniel O'Buckley, Joseph Rice, William Lowrey, Stella Wightman and Alice Carey. Also the Misses Helen Coyngmans and Helen Ganesy.

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