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Blood Donors Set Record At St. James, Hornell

Hornell—A local record, 265 pints, for the most pints of blood donated in a single day was set at St. James Mercy Hospital which sponsored the visit of a bloodmobile unit from Rochester on April 24.

The "Blood Bank" visit to St. James was promoted in "Mercy Echoes", hospital publication which set a quota of 250 pints. The publication stressed the need for blood also to produce gamma globulin, a human blood fraction, used as a Folie prophylaxis.

Fred A. Cornell, chairman of the Hornell blood program said the previous high donation was 243 pints of blood contributed two years ago by St. James Mercy Hospital.

Cornell said 299 persons appeared to give blood, with 212 of them from Hornell. The largest groups were from the Erie Railroad and the New York State Department of Public Works. Officials attributed the heavy Erie turnout in part to the work of the hospital in speeding a blood supply from Rochester to aid Merle (Mike) LeMunyan, an Erie employe, who lost his legs in a switching accident March 14. During the first day of the accident, 10 pints of blood were rushed from the Rochester bank to help him.

Sister Mary Elizabeth Anne, chairman of the hospital's recruiting committee, praised the "wholehearted co-operation of the entire hospital personnel."

THE STAFF alumni, nursing school, Woman's Board and medical profession all worked their hardest to make the program a success, she said.

Mrs. Mary E. Bradley, executive secretary of the Hornell chapter of the American Red Cross, said "special interest" was shown by the Canisteo Grange, Stern and Stern Textile, Inc., SKF Industries Inc., Hornell Brewery Company and North Jasper Mothers' Club.

Communities were represented by this number of persons: Hornell, 212; Canisteo, 32; Artport, 10; Caniston and Jasper, 5 each; Rathbone, 4; Stephena Mills, Canesara, Almond, Bath, Westfield, Pa., 3 each; Woodhull, Greenwood and Angelica, 2 each; and Andover, Alfred, Addison, Endicott, Rexville, Troupsville, Rochester and Whitesville, one each.

Sister Elizabeth Anne said these junior student nurses assisted at the Red Cross canteen: Marie Costello, Suzanne Dealy, Alice Jeffrey, Norma Nanno, Mary T. Moretti, Donna Mohr, Jean Quartz, Helen North, Louise North, Beverly Norton, Korvita McMichael, Alice Schieder, Marla Rosa and Francis Sherwood, and Mary Margaret Tobin and Mau-

Elmira Legion Post Named For Stephanie Lido

The name of the new American Legion Post for women veterans in the Southern Tier honors the memory of Sgt. Stephanie Lido who died Aug. 26, 1948, in Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, while serving in the Air Force.

MISS LIDO was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lido of 1401 Gd. Central Ave. She enlisted in the Air Force in 1943, was discharged in 1945 and re-enlisted in 1947. She was director of programs at Station WFLA, the Air Force Base Hospital radio station at Maxwell Field, Ala., when she was taken ill. Removed to Walter Reed Hospital by airplane, she soon succumbed after a brief period of treatment.

Miss Lido was a graduate of St. Casimir's School, attended Nazareth Academy in Rochester and took postgraduate work at Loretto Abbey in Canada. She was a lay teacher at St. Casimir's School for a time and also manager of the Lido Grille before entering the Air Corps in 1943. She was active in all sports.

At the time of her death a C-47 Army transport brought 14 former service companions of Sgt. Lido's in from Maxwell Field to serve as honor guard.

The charter was presented post commander, Mrs. Mary L. Roberts, by the sixth district vice commander, Eben Wiswell. The meeting was opened with a prayer by county chaplain, Leslie Jones, and conducted by the county commander, Harold Beach.

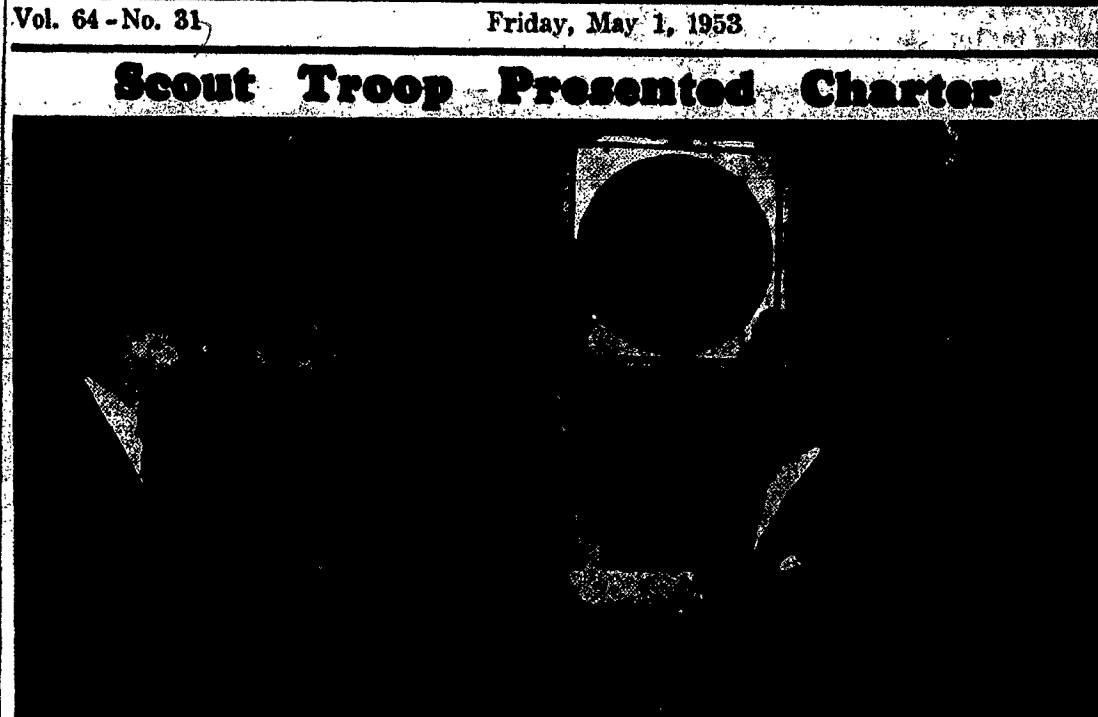
During the two months the newly-organized post had been functioning a committee has been doing a research on women who had died while in the service. The committee reported that Sgt. Stephanie Lido had been chosen the likely candidate for the post name and the committee's decision was approved by all members present. All women veterans in the area are invited to attend meetings and join the organization.

St. James Hospital Unit Raises \$325
Hornell—Mrs. William M. Wiarda of Hornell was hostess to members of St. James' Mercy Hospital Women's Board at a luncheon April 18 for the benefit of the hospital.

More than \$325 was realized. Seventy persons attended the party.

Mrs. Wiarda was assisted by a committee of Board members. They were Mrs. Raymond Coyne, Mrs. D. Roger Haggerty, Mrs. Ethan Welch, Mrs. C. E. Fitch, Mrs. William Rooney, Mrs. Edwin Scott, Mrs. Walter Coston, Mrs. W. J. Tracy, Miss Orann Kelly and Miss Marcella Snyder.

Scout Troop Presented Charter



CHARTER NIGHT program from Troop 37 of St. Patrick's Parish in Elmira was featured by presentation of the charter shown here. Participating in ceremony (from left) are: Alfred C. Morse, Joseph A. Gawias, Clement J. Knuth, John B. Lawless and Leo Krolok.

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20 Nurses Aides Complete Courses
Hornell—Honored at a tea in St. James Mercy Hospital here were 20 Nurses Aides who completed a course in the hospital.

Sister M. Valerian, director of nurses at St. James presented each aide with a certificate. She expressed appreciation for the help which the aides received during their training period.

Parish's Public Marks May Day

A public Shrine built in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes, special feature of May Day at St. Patrick's Parish in Elmira, was the Shrine, "Make May Day, Mary's Day," the Shrine.

An appeal to dedicate May 1st as a day of special prayer in honor of Mary, Father Bush said in his parish publication, The Citizen, "has ever more been made by Father James Keller, Director of the Shrine. It is expected that millions of Catholics in America will participate in making next Friday, May 1st, a rallying day for the friends of Christ who will pray especially that peace and freedom may soon come to those behind the Iron Curtain."

The building of the Shrine has been a project of the Sodality of Our Lady, Thomas Lane and Lawrence Sheahan of the Academy are constructing the Shrine, while Geraldine Moran of Catholic High is decorating the Shrine. Sylvia Palmer of the Academy is arranging to have two members of the Sodality watching hourly before the Shrine all during the day.

"It is the hope of the Sodality that this public Shrine to Our Lady will inspire every family in the Parish to make a private Shrine to Our Lady in the home where the Family Rosary can be recited every night during the month of May."

KC Women Will Adopt Family
Geneva—Knights of Columbus Auxiliary will adopt a family in Germany for 1953-54. They will provide clothing, food, and other necessities for them.

The project was discussed by the auxiliary at a meeting Monday in K. of C. Home. 30 members were present.

Members conducted a Rosary program Sunday in honor of Our Lady of Good Counsel, patron of the organization. Members were assigned certain hours to say the rosary during the day.

Mrs. John F. Gleason was chairman. Plans are being made for a Communion breakfast June 21. Mrs. Kenneth Matthews is chairman.

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Newman Clubs To Join In Picnic

Ithaca—The Newman Club will hold its Tri-College Spring Picnic at Taughannock Park on Sunday, May 3. This picnic, which is to last from 2 to 10 p.m., will be held in conjunction with the Newman Clubs of Cortland State Teacher's College, Ithaca College and Wells College. There will be refreshments, food and games available and free transportation is to be provided from Japes and Anabel Taylor Hall.

John Maholland '55 and Rosemary Manno '55 are in charge of the event, while Very Rev. Msgr. Donald M. Cleary is to be the moderator of the group.

Fr. Pecoraro To Sing First Solemn Mass

The Rev. James A. Pecoraro, a native of Rochester, will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood for the Diocese of Erie, Pa., by Bishop John Mark Gannon during Vacation Day ceremonies in St. Peter's Cathedral, Erie on Ascension Thursday, May 14.

The young priest will celebrate his First Solemn Mass in St. Francis Xavier Church, Bay St. Rochester on Sunday, May 17 at 11 a.m.

Son of Anthony Pecoraro and Mrs. Frances Vallone Pecoraro, 328 North Union St., Rochester. Father Pecoraro made his elementary and secondary studies in Rochester's public schools.

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Miss Diehl To Head Guild At Hospital
Auburn — Miss Genevieve E. Diehl was elected president of the Flower Guild of Mercy Hospital at the April dinner meeting held at Springdale Inn.

Elected to serve with Miss Diehl were: Vice-president, Miss Nora Hennessy; secretary, Miss Anna Donovan; financial secretary, Mrs. Geraldine Lauderbach; treasurer, Miss Catherine Burns.

The newly elected officers will be installed at the annual banquet scheduled for May 12 at the Auburn Golf and Country Club. Planning this party are the following past officers: Miss Mary Donovan, Miss Helen Synott, Miss Anne Merriman, and Mrs. John Graney.

Bishop Dies
Dublin — (RNS) — Bishop John Dignan of Clonfert died at his residence in Loughrea, Galway County, at the age of 72.

2 Books Reviewed For DCCW District
Hornell—Two books were reviewed by Miss Marie Pruner of Hornell at a tea, sponsored by Hornell District DCCW.

The tea, which was attended by more than 50 women, was held in the Pine Room of St. Ann's School. Miss Josephine Fitzgerald, president, welcomed the members and guests.

The Rev. John L. Coonan spoke briefly on the influence of Catholic literature. He then presented Miss Pruner.

She reviewed "Six O'Clock Mass" by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Maurice S. Sheehy and "Promises to Keep" by William E. Walsh.

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