



MISS ROBERTA FLOOD, a junior at DeSales High School, Geneva, was crowned "Miss Valentine of 1954" at public ceremony held in that city. Miss Flood was chosen from among 18 contestants after she received the largest number of votes of students of both DeSales and Geneva High Schools. (P. R. Oakley Photo.)

'Queen Of Hearts' Contest Won By DeSales Student

Geneva—Roberta Flood, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Flood, William St., an attractive 16-year-old brunette, holds the title "Miss Valentine of 1954."

A junior at DeSales High School, Roberta received the title queen of hearts and was crowned in a colorful coronation ceremony in Geneva Theatre Friday, Feb. 12.

Assisting the queen with her royal duties were members of the court, Catherine Bullock, Bonita Cupelli, Patricia Lahr, Mollie Miller, Linda LeFever, Lois Miller, Beverly Elcico, Mary Sign and Joan Welby.

Roberta is a newcomer to Geneva. She came here in September from Seattle, Wash., and was voted her royal post in a Geneva High and DeSales High School student beauty and popularity contest. She was one of the finalists chosen for the title from 100 girls who received 2,218 votes cast by pupils.

The contest was sponsored by radio station WGVA and the Youth Bureau with 12 city merchants.

IDENTITY OF the queen was disclosed in the theatre ceremony by J. Glenn Hudson, Youth Bureau director, and one of three contest judges.

Other judges were the Rev. Dr. Joseph Hoyan, De Sales High School principal and Arthur J. McCann, Geneva High vice-principal.

Escorted to a throne bedecked in purple brocade and mounted above stage level, the new queen received her crown from Mayor W. Eric Rogers. A blue velvet robe was placed about her shoulders and she was presented a large bouquet.

Presentation of gifts from merchants was made by the theater's head usher who placed before the queen such prize items as a fur cape, wrist watch, portable radio, an evening gown with matching slippers and gift certificates.

EACH MEMBER of her court comprised of the other nine finalists also received gift certificates as well as bouquets.

Alex Lamuris of station WGVA emceed the ceremonies.

Assisting the girls backstage were Mrs. Via Fowler of the radio station and Miss Dorothy Hudson of the Youth Bureau.

Elmira Groups Set Area Cleanup Of Evil Literature

Elmira Deacons Council, National Council of Catholic Women along with the Elmira Deacons Holy Name Society will hold a Clean Literature Campaign opening March 7. The Rev. Magr. William J. Brian, V.F. will be Honorary Chairman.

Co-Chairmen of the campaign will be Daniel F. Kennedy for the Deacons Holy Name Society and Mrs. Francis B. O'Connor for the National Council of Catholic Women.

Purpose of the Campaign is to clean up the news racks and magazine stands in the Elmira area. The Campaign will open with a meeting at 8:15 p.m. on Sunday, March 7 in St. Mary's Auditorium, Franklin Street, Elmira, N. Y.

The Rev. Albert V. Ryan, Moderator Elmira Deacons Council N.C.C.W., is program chairman.

St. Salome Mothers Schedule Breakfast

St. Salome's School Mothers Club will hold the annual Communion Breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 21 following the 8 a.m. Mass.

Mrs. Kenneth Doran, chairman, has announced that Mrs. Patrick Pette will be the speaker. She will discuss "The Family Rosary and the Marian Year."

Assisting Mrs. Doran on the committee are: Mesdames Bernard Skinner, Robert Jensen, August Clark, Stewart Coon, Norman Brugger and Betty Brule.

Villanova Sets 20-Year Building Plan

Philadelphia, (NC)—Father Francis X. McGuire, O.S.A., has relinquished the post of president of Villanova University, which he has held since 1944, to serve as director general of the University Development Foundation.

Father James A. Donnellon, O.S.A., has been named president of the University. It was announced by Father Joseph M. Dougherty, O.S.A., provincial of the Augustinian Fathers who conduct the university.

Father McGuire has been connected with the development of the foundation plans from the start and has been released from his other duties to devote full time to the project, Father Dougherty said.

The university announced in December its plans for a \$21,150,000 expansion program during the next 20 years. Eight new buildings to house the law, engineering, science, nursing and dramatic departments, as well as dormitories and expanded dining facilities are included in the plans.

Laity Seen Next China Red Target

Vatican City—(RNS)—Chinese Communists will turn on the native laity as soon as all foreign priests have been liquidated. Fides, official news agency of the Propagation of the Faith, said here.

Fides said that as soon as foreign missionaries have been expelled or imprisoned or killed, individual Christians will be isolated and questioned.

"The dilemma facing them," it said, "will be—cede to the government and apostatize or be thrown out of work, deprived of savings, and imprisoned or tortured while your family dies suffering for starvation."

"The first target will be the few priests still around. The barbarous interrogations now being used to torment their arrested conferees will be turned against them. They will perhaps follow those others languishing in horrible prisons."

"Soon after," Fides said, "will come the turn of the laity, men and women, young and old."

Business Women To Meet, View Pictures

Business Women's Group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 23 at a supper meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Catholic Women's Club at 215 Alexander St.

Phyllis O'Connell, Kodak Company will show pictures taken in Ireland and Spain. Miss Ada Meng is supper chairman.

St. Fechan's Men To Sponsor Supper

Members of St. Fechan's Men's Club will sponsor a spaghetti supper in the church hall, Chestnut Ridge Road, Chitt on Wednesday, Feb. 24 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00. Games and dancing are on the program.

Priest-Journalist New Rochelle, N.Y.—(NC)—Father Franklyn J. Kennedy, editorial manager of The Catholic Herald Citizen, Milwaukee archdiocese newspaper, observed the 25th anniversary of his ordination by offering a Mass of Thanksgiving in Holy Family Church here.

Smorgasbord Party Slated At Immaculate, February 28

Owing to the tremendous success of the pre-Lenten party held last year, the same program will be repeated this year in the Immaculate Auditorium. A large committee from all the parish organizations will take charge of this Mardi Gras.

The Smorgasbord will be served from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Following the supper, chair-rotal games will be played until 10:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28.

Paul Scottabo has been named chairman. He will be assisted by Mrs. and Mrs. James Rogers. Mrs. Rose Kelly is chairman for the dining room and Mrs. Fred Resch and Miss Veina Chrono will assist.

The number of reservations this year will be limited to 1200. The price for adults is \$1.75 and for children in grammar school \$1.00. Tickets are available at the Rectory. All reservations will close on Tuesday, Feb. 23.

Committee follows: Preparation of food: The Mr. and Mrs. Paul Scottabo, James Rogers, Ernest Wilson, Elmer Halloran, John Corcoran, Walter Jamison, Martin Koszarski, Martin Plonier, Clinton Osborne, Nelson Park, Jr., Jack Free, Charles Walker and John Phillips. The Mesdames Harold Drizell, Willie Fisher, Sidney Smith, Joseph Barrett, Harry Murphy, Sadio Pasquillo, Alva Hertz, Joseph Resch, Joseph Hagan, Richard Scaslan, Jack O'Neill, John Barnes, Paul Burns, Edward Pappas.

Supplies: Charles Feder, Howard Pappas, Kauffmann, Melvin Quinn, Herman Klingenberg, Raymond Zimmerman, Raymond Wilson, William Robertson, Anthony Quinn, Joseph Wilhelm, Conrad Gagnon, Robert Squiers and Norbert Hill.

Traffic: Arthur Coughlin, James Decker, Eugene McInerney, Eugene McFarland and William Shroy. Dining Room: The Mesdames Rose Kelly, Annie Everett, John, Frederic Olesco, Charles Fender, Melvin Quinn, Daniel Miller, Howard Fisher, William Morrison, Leo Minton, Lois Thibault, Benjamin Tocco, Paul Gilliam, James Rogers, Jr., Mary Herbert, Frank Spencer, Peggy West, Edmund Leary, John Corcoran, Richard Hamilton, Edith Gibson, Dorothy Conner, Raymond Watson, Raymond Zimmer, William Robertson, Herman Klingenberg.

Arts: Arthur Deiman, Donald Polace, Joseph Amoroso, Thomas Larkin, Frank Gioia and Carol Curtin. Also the Mesdames Patricia Creedon, Janet Ryan, Veina Chrono, Carol Amick, Helen Olesco, Betty Gillard, Patricia Fender, Janet Saveland, Mary Alice Resch, Mary Ann Haloran, Barbara Quinn, Jean Keating, Diane Edwards, Kathleen Morrison, Joan Lombardy, Irene Feeley, Louis Woodard, Janet Pae, Isabella Schuetz, Betty McWhorter, Alice Smith, Joan Meisel, Rosemary Spence, Elaine Caluso, Mary Sullivan, Ann Theresa Grace, Betty Stanton, Theresa Halloran, Martha Resch, Helen Wallard, Rita Wallard, Margaret Heinrich, Rosemary Lee, Eleanor Lombard, Mickey Corcoran, Louise Tomczak, Nancy Sweeney, Patricia McCarthy, Rose Fischer, Beverly Klein, Joan Gerber, Betty Hart, Theresa Hart and Peggy Curtin.

Chairs: The Mesdames Gladys Egan, Audrey Gandy, Charles Blumens and Miss Alice Walters. Also Mesdames Lavinia, Charles, Edna, Leo, Edna, Leo, Frank Spitzer, Harold Gold, William Morrison, Samuel DiPietro, Jack Callahan, Thomas Arnold, Joseph Kennedy, William Furlong, Jack Smith, John McShorrock, Thomas Moriarty, John Dowd, Sydney Smith, Jr., Richard Gallagher, Edna Lavier and William Frost. Mesdames Alice McGee, Louis Belkitch and Fred Olesco.

Cakes: The Mesdames James McWhorter, John Callahan, Russell Gerace and Miss Mary McCarthy. Refreshments: Mrs. Lillian Tomczak and Viola Kurran. Checkings: Joan Klein, Barbara Hiberno, Margaret Mills, Nancy Walsh, Ray Ann Coughlin and Gertrude Cullen.

Hour of St. Francis Scheduled By WELM

Starting Sunday, February 21, "The Hour of St. Francis" will be a special feature of Elmira's radio station WELM. The fifteen minute program will commence at 12:15 p.m.

The material for the broadcast is prepared by the Order of Friars Minor of Los Angeles and the cast includes the best know stars of stage and screen.

This program will be a regular feature each Sunday through the cooperation of WELM.

The program is designed to bring peace to the heart, to the home and to the world, it is said.

Visiting Hours Listed At General Hospital

Extended visiting hours at Rochester General Hospital, which went into effect on a trial basis in December, will be continued permanently.

Beginning Dec. 15, the visiting hours were extended to 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily. This was an addition of five hours to the visiting period which was formerly limited to one hour in the afternoon and one hour in the evening.

Visiting hours in the children's department remain 3 to 6 p.m.; in the maternity department 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

Catholic Nurses Admitted To WHO

Geneva, Switzerland—(NC)—The International Committee of Catholic Nurses and Medico-Social Workers has been formally admitted to official relations with the World Health Organization, it was announced here.

The action took place at a meeting in Geneva of the Executive Board of the United Nations specialized agency. It was made possible by the decision of the Sixth World Health Assembly last May to recognize more than a single non-governmental organization working in the same field.



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Student Nurses Visit Lady Of Lourdes Church

A group of about 60 nursing students from St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira made a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Wednesday evening, Feb. 10. They attended the closing services of the Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes conducted there by Rev. John Hurley, C.M.

THE PILGRIMAGE was planned as a Marian Year devotion by the Sodality of Our Lady of the Hospital's School of Nursing. The sodality vice-president, Miss Carol Monahan of the Junior Class stated that the pilgrimage was arranged so that the group might participate in visiting a church, especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady.

There was representation of all the classes of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing as well as the Nazareth College nursing students attending at the hospital at this devotion of the Marian Year.

RBI Spring Term To Open February 22nd

Rochester Business Institute will open its new Spring term with starting classes in eight courses Monday, Feb. 22, according to Mrs. Marguerite M. Carl, registrar.

Advance registrations are now being accepted for one-year courses in medical secretarial science, standard secretarial practice, stenography and office machines. Also being offered are three-month courses in computer operation and dictaphone and typing as well as six-month courses in salesmanship and special office machines.

Mrs. Anna McNamara Final Rites Held

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Arnold McNamara, aged 84 years, of 23 Pillsbury St., who died on Saturday, Feb. 6, 1954, were held at the August M. Maier Funeral Home and in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Thursday, Feb. 11. The funeral Mass was celebrated by Rev. Frank J. Hoefen, and Rev. Jacob R. Hauber was present in the sanctuary.

Mrs. McNamara is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Paul Marichant, Mrs. Guyton Bender, and Mrs. Michael Costello; one son, William McNamara; one sister, Mrs. Florence Lahmer; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Interment was made in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, where the final blessing at the grave was given by Rev. James Baker.

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