

Nazareth Freshman Studies Negro Aid, In Washington

By WALT KOLESNIK

Although she was not old enough to vote in the last election, Thelma Carroll, Nazareth College freshman, has twice been a visitor to Washington, D. C., in an official capacity.

These visits have helped to convince her of the important role an individual can and should play in government, she said, and have increased her knowledge of legislation the federal government might enact to alleviate some of the social problems of her own Negro race.

Miss Carroll, 21, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Carroll, 70 Woodward St. While a senior at Our Lady of Mercy High School in 1950 she was a Youth Delegate to the Mid-Century White House Conference on the Needs of Children and Youth called by former President Truman.

Earlier this month she was one of about 250 delegates

from all parts of the United States to the convention of the National Federation of Settlements and Neighborhood Houses. There she met and shook hands with "Mamie" Eisenhower, whom she found "charming" as in on Congressional committee meetings, made the acquaintance of a number of Senators and Representatives, and "saw how the government works." She also attended conferences and meetings pertaining to common problems of settlement house workers.

For three years after her graduation from high school, Miss Carroll was employed by the Atomic Energy Commission of the University of Rochester as an X-Ray therapy technician. During that time she was also a volunteer group worker at the Baden Street Settlement House, an activity she is continuing now that she is a prospective sociology major at Nazareth College. She helped organize the Young Adults Club, a group of about 40 Negroes who are striving for inter-racial harmony by working with various other organizations.

According to Miss Carroll, there is "some" racial discrimination in Rochester and "mutual understanding" is needed. HOUSING, she said, is still the main problem in the Baden-Ormond section, especially for the "middle class" which is barred from the Hanover project. She feels that the whole area needs re-development and that the federal government should increase appropriations for this purpose. She also pointed out that much remains to be done to help assimilate migrant workers from the south who come to Rochester.

Her recent visit to Washington, she said, taught her that the legislature should be concerned with legislation which is pending and should voice their opinions. She found that neither political party has a monopoly on virtue and when she casts her first ballot in November she will be strictly non-partisan.

Record Turnout of 53 Men Noted At Retreat House

With 53 men in attendance, the largest weekend retreat of the season was recorded at Notre Dame Retreat House, 246 Alexander St., from March 12 to 14 according to the Very Rev. Francis X. Kenny, C.S.S.R., director. All of the total were from Rochester parishes and 39 were new retreatants.

Number attending from each parish was: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 10; Holy Redeemer, 13; St. Michael's, 16; St. Stanislaus, 11; St. Joseph's, 1; St. John the Evangelist, 1 and St. Margaret Mary's, 1.

At the conclusion of the retreat the Sunday afternoon, officers of the various parishes represented were elected as follows: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Frank J. Fantona, president; James D'Amico, vice president; Sam Scoglio, secretary; Holy Redeemer, Salvatore Guzzetta, president; Jesse R. Meyers, vice president and Raymond Warth, secretary; St. Michael's, Joseph A. Zimmer, president; Al Cecchi, vice president; and George Turner, secretary; St. Stanislaus, Florian Balcar, president; George Walker, vice president and Frank Sobolewski, secretary.

The next retreat will be held during the weekend March 19, 20 and 21, at which time men from St. John the Evangelist (Spencerport), St. John the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin (Brookport), Holy Trinity (Webster), St. Rita (West Webster), St. Mary of the Lake (Ontario), St. Louis (Pittsford), Immaculate Heart of Mary (Byham) Basil, Williamson and Holy Apostles will attend.

St. Melrad's Benedictine Abbey of St. Melrad here will mark the centennial on March 21, the feast of the patriarch of monks, St. Benedict.

SODALISTS PLAN FEAST



ATTENDANCE OF young people at Solemn Evening Masses in observance of the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25, being marked here by Sodality Union leaders. With the Rev. Edward E. Selinski, assistant diocesan Sodality moderator are: (from left) Mary Ann Engler, Holy Redeemer Sodality; Katherine Morahan, St. Michael's and Eugene Kehoe, St. Augustin's, deanery union officers.

Evening Masses in 3 Cities To Mark Annunciation Feast

Observance of the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mother is scheduled in three sections of the Diocese by the Diocesan Parish and School Sodality Unions.

There will be Solemn Masses with special Marian sermons held simultaneously on March 25 at 7:45 p.m. at Holy-Roseary Church, Rochester; St. Patrick's Church, Elmira; and St. Mary's Church, Auburn.

The young people of these areas of the Diocese, whether Sodality or not, will have the opportunity of joining in the great tribute to Mary during the special year by attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion.

IN ROCHESTER, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles F. Shay will celebrate the Mass assisted by the Rev. Robert Fox as Deacon and the Rev. William Shannon as Subdeacon. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Albert Shannon.

The congregation will sing Mass IX under the direction of the Rev. Charles McCarthy, a choir of priests will chant the proper.

Philip Kreckel will play the organ. Aquinas Institute is supplying the servers and the ushering arrangements are being made at Holy Roseary by the Rev. James Marvin and the parish Sodality.

THE ELMIRA Solemn Mass will be celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Bryen, V.F., with the Rev. L. Emmet Davis as Deacon and the Rev. Albert V. Ryan as Subdeacon. Preacher will be the Rev. Joseph F. Hogan. The students of Elmira Catholic High School will sing the Mass. The Rev. Frederick Bush, Elmira, is handling the arrangements.

IN AUBURN, the Rev. Joseph P. Bestini will sing the Mass assisted by the Rev. Joseph Baffey, Deacon, and the Rev. Robert Downs, Subdeacon. The Rev. William Davie will preach the sermon. The Mass will be sung by St. Mary's Sodality Choir. The Rev. Robert Downs, Auburn, Deanery Sodality Director, is in charge of arrangements.

Rummage Sale Slated By St. Rita's Group Members of St. Rita's Society of West Webster will conduct a Rummage Sale on Thursday, March 25 at 200 West Main St., Rochester. Store will open about 9 a.m.

Bishop Says KC Program Fits into Marian Year

The Knights of Columbus program is needed today, declared two speakers at the Annual Communion and Breakfast of Rochester Council, which brought close to 500 men to St. Joseph's Church for the Mass and Columbus Civic Center for the breakfast, Sunday.

His Excellency Bishop Kearney celebrated the Mass and spoke to the knights on the need of the world for the K. of C. program, especially in this Marian Year.

The K. of C. program, the Bishop said, with its encouragement of the sanctification of selves and fostering of religion and patriotism would make the members feel closely knit to the Mother of God.

The knights' own patron, Columbus discovered America under the patronage of the Mother of God and came in a ship named the Santa Maria. The organization has an outstanding record for patriotism, the Bishop said, and long before the present opposition to threatening subversive forces sent speakers up and down the country warning of the danger.

Addressing the Bishop at the Mass was the Very Rev. Msgr. John E. Marney, vice chancellor. The Fourth Degree furnished a luncheon for the speakers.

STATE DEPUTY Denis A. Mansfield of Saratoga Springs was the speaker at the breakfast. This is a "Time of Challenge," the state deputy said and he came with the "drums of truth" and the "trumpets of courage" to urge the Rochester members to follow through on the program of the state officers.

This country, the state deputy warned, is engaged in a war of ideologies—a death struggle between the forces of good and evil—which it is losing so far.

The speaker cited the conditions existing in this country which he likened to the pagan days of Rome before the fall of the Roman Empire. This condition calls for sanctification of the individual, he said, to overcome the evils which include greed, avarice, ignoring of the marriage laws, indecency in motion pictures and publications and untrustworthiness in high office.

"Dual responsibility are called for," he said. "Catholics must

bring on your back." "Some Catholics think they are broadminded and liberal when they join with the chorus of McCarthy haters," Mansfield said. "I say, thank God for the McCarthys who have the courage to bring these traitors to bay."

Bishop Kearney spoke briefly at the breakfast before leaving to keep another engagement. A guest, also at the breakfast, was John C. Symonds, of Yonkers, state secretary who accompanied Mansfield to Rochester.

Toastmaster was John J. Conway, Jr., assistant district attorney.

Grand Knight George F. Vick Jr. welcomed the knights. William C. Kanaley was breakfast chairman.

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