

## ELMIRA CATHOLIC HIGHLIGHTS

Catholic High's Crusaders go down in defeat in their final tilt. Last Friday night, two buses transported the Varsity and Varsity squads along with the cheerleaders and a few faithful rooters to Auburn. The Varsity game was won by the Holy Family team in a stirring contest as the home court seemed to be the deciding factor.

The Varsity team took the floor at approximately 8:30 and it could be immediately seen that Catholic High's was a formidable foe. Throughout the game Holy Family held a large advantage. The scoreboard as the Crusaders' initially shot team could not get their hands on a rebound.

But credit can be given the Crusaders for their unceasing valor. Though hopelessly beaten in the fourth quarter, who held the upper hand could not be told in the faces or light of the Catholic High players.

The CATHOLIC HIGH team of '53-54 was not a great team, but it was a very fine credit to the school. It played a very fine game in the morning session of the school day and an assembly on safety in the afternoon. The assembly consisted of two

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## ELMIRA AOH AT BREAKFAST



PRINCIPALS AT Communion Breakfast of Mgr. John J. Lee Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians held at Mark Twain Hotel, Elmira are: (from left) speaker, Thomas F. Coggins, president and Rev. Joseph M. McNamara, spiritual director; standing, Matthias Fennell, Cornelius J. Milliken, Jr., co-chairmen.

## Irish Will Live Forever In Faith, Hibernians Told

Members of Monsignor John J. Lee Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians, Elmira attended a Communion breakfast last Sunday morning at the Mark Twain Hotel following

reception of Holy Communion by the group at the 9 o'clock Mass in St. Peter and Paul's church.

The Rev. Albert V. Ryan, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church was the guest speaker. (Text of his address starts below.)

The Rev. Joseph M. McNamara, spiritual director congratulated the men on the fine showing at Mass and receiving Holy Communion.

Cornelius J. Milliken Jr. was toastmaster, Matthias Fennell was chairman of the breakfast with Mike Leary.

Thomas F. Coggins, president welcomed the group.

## Text of St. Patrick's Address By Father Ryan

In the next few days, a great deal of fact and fiction will make the rounds of banquet tables and dining halls as people all over the English-speaking world celebrate the feast of

Saint Patrick. Thus it has always been and thus it always shall be; and, indeed, thus it should be.

Because no name in history provokes a more sympathetic remembrance than that of Saint Patrick; and no people are remembered with such touching memories as those made famous by this Bishop of the Catholic Church. Today we need speak no panegyric of the saint.

Rather we will recall a few of the incidents in history that will make this people always to be remembered, in order that you and I who glory in the past may be mindful of the challenge that that past presents to us; in order that you and I may carry on the long traditions handed down to us.

The impartial historian today bears witness to the fact that even in pre-Christian times the Irish were not unlettered or untutored; but were a people with quick wit, ready intelligence, and fine culture. They had their laws, their literature and their art. They had their national assemblies in the far-famed halls of Tara.

TO THIS PEOPLE came the great apostle to their nation. Before kings and sages he stood and told the simple story of Christ, impressing on their honest hearts the story of the Gospel. And he said for the eternal glory of that people, that the seed left upon good ground and brought forth fruit abundantly. Not in tears, and sorrow, and blood did he have to sow the seed of the faith, but rather his triumph took on the nature of a triumph rather than that of an apostolate.

Gladly and with reverence the nation received the faith. The gospel spread rapidly through the land. From north to south, from east to west, it spread until the whole island had been enwrapped in its holy flame and that too, a fact unparalleled in history, without the shedding of a single drop of blood to accomplish the divine task. Although in later years that blood would be poured forth generously to defend the holy Gospel.

The land that had been long denied the blessings of the Christian faith became transformed and refigured under the influence of Christ's messenger. And in his own lifetime, he saw it as a garden in the wilderness of the world. The long-standing prejudices of the Druids were dispelled and in their place took the reign of Christ, the King. And soon the whole countryside echoed the praises of Almighty God.

Then, as if by magic, there rose up in the island monasteries, schools, colleges, and universities to which came the intellectuals of the land. If Saint Patrick had made it an island of saints, his followers would make it an island of scholars.

FOR THREE centuries after his death Ireland ruled the world. Every city became a city of schools, and every school a

center of learning. Students came from the land beyond the seas; they came in ever-increasing numbers, speaking every language, wearing every costume. They came to take in the lore of antiquity from the lips of Irish masters, in Irish seats of learning, on the good green soil of Ireland.

Meanwhile, all Europe had become the theater of strife. War came over the land, and the barbarian hordes darkened the horizon of civilization. Impending ruin threatened the refinement and culture of civilization and peace had almost left the earth.

In Ireland alone the light of intellectual learning continued to flame and the sun of holiness continued to send forth her beams. The nations came to worship at her shrines, and study at her schools, and specialize at her universities, and enrich themselves from the storehouses of her learning. In a word, they came to go; to go back and proclaim to the world that in those unfortunate days in history, Ireland was the island of saints and scholars.

She became the missionary of civilization, of learning, and of sanctity. Her monks rose up and walked forth with the Gospel in their hands and Christ in their hearts, despising every danger and death that they might carry the light of the faith and science to the barbarian who overran Europe; lifting up their minds and hearts, opposing the spirit of the world of war, and binding men together with the bonds of brotherhood, religion, and learning.

IRISH MISSIONARIES have left their impress on the nations of the world. There come to mind the names of Columkill in Scotland, Columbanus in France, and Gall in Switzerland; these and thousands more come to mind reminding us that in the long history of the Church there is no more glorious chapter than that which tells the story of the Irish apostolate.

And the picture changed. Sedon has the world witnessed the scene of tragedy that follows. Bright had been her days, and now dark would be her nights. Ireland had gloried in her Transfiguration, and now, through sorrow, she would learn the meaning of Calvary. The drums of war were sounded and death and destruction became her portion. The Dane and the Norseman drove on her shores and when they leave they leave nothing but destruction for her. For 240 years she knows nothing but sorrow.

THIS IS THE TIME of the Dark Ages. When intellectual learning on the Continent sinks to a new low; when the light of the faith grows dim in Europe; indeed, it seems that civilization itself will be lost. But through the blood and the tears, Ireland holds fast to the faith, and the Irish monks in the monasteries

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## St. James Cagers Split At Owego

Waverly — St. James Varsity and Jayvees invaded Owego to play St. Patrick's five this week and brought home a split decision with the varsity five losing 48-43, and the local jayvees winning 50-21.

The local varsity got off to a bad start and never did catch up as Owego held period leads of 17-11, 27-17 and 37-23. High for the winners was Thompson with 19 points, Russ Fahey had 16 and Bob Payne 12 for the losers.

St. James jayvees lead all the way with Mike Leary and Bob Cortright each hitting for 12 points and Jim Gay getting 10.

Waverly — Waverly St. James church two varsity teams won their opening round games in the annual Rochester Diocese tournament play and this weekend will compete in the winners' bracket at Rochester for the championship.

Varsity team No. 1 which has been playing regular scheduled games in the Catholic league, defeated Immaculate Conception of Ithaca 32-27. Jack Schaefer had 13 points for the winners and Augustine netted eight for the losers. Bob Payne, a St. James regular, was the first period when he suffered a mouth injury.

St. James No. 2 squad, comprised of Waverly high school jayvees, defeated St. Ignace of Hornell, 50-38, to advance to the Diocese winners' bracket. Jan Hunsinger had 21 for the winners and Edmondson got none for the losers. All St. James players saw action in this one as the starting five piled up a 17-4 first period lead.

The St. James Jayvee team lost its game to St. Francis of Auburn, 45-42, in an overtime. The score was tied at 39-39 at the end of the regulation time. Mike Leary with 18 points and 14 by Jim Gay paced the losers and Basile was high for the winners with 15. The St. James five will enter the losers' consolation bracket in the Rochester tournament play.

All three teams will leave at 7:00 o'clock Saturday morning from St. James Church for Rochester, by chartered bus.

Where Ignorance Is Bliss As a rule, the man who thinks his wife doesn't understand him, would be out of luck if she did.

DISASTER has always been her lot. And finally there comes one disaster that forces thousands of her noble sons to bid farewell to their native land and the homes they loved so well to seek their fortunes in adopted countries. Into every land they went; the best, the noblest of Ireland's children that they might have away the blessings denied them at home.

If families and depression are hard to appreciate when they arrive, we can today look back and thank God who in His Divine Providence gave this occasion to swell the population of our infant republic with so many sons of Saint Patrick.

Because of circumstances in their own country which made life unpleasant, many came to America. And here, as in Ireland, they continued to give of themselves for the benefit of others. The original colonies held large numbers of Irish immigrants, and we can thank God that they did.

For whether we date the American Revolution from the Stamp Act, or the Boston Massacre, or Lexington and Concord, the Irish were there from the start. It has been estimated by some that at least one-half of the Colonial Army were Irish. Even if this estimate is too high it reflects the fact that the Irish played no small part in the Revolution. And this truth is reiterated by an English army officer of the time who said: "Our most formidable foe is the Irish element in the Colonial Army."

AND EVEN AFTER the war, the Irish continued their influence on the formation of the infant republic. The Declaration of Independence was signed by four natives of Ireland and five others of Irish descent. The Continental Congress, held twenty-two Irishmen in its number. And there is evidence to support the thesis that the Constitution of the United States was drafted by an Irishman.

Down through history that influence has not waned. And we find Irishmen holding down every important position in every war and have given of themselves most generously.

But important for us to notice is the contributions of the Irish to the life of our own diocese. We need but look at the line of Bishops: Bishop McQuaid, Bishop O'Hern, Bishop Hickey, Archbishop Mooney, Bishop Kearney, Auxiliary Bishop Casey. And the last directory of the Diocese shows that an amazingly high percentage of the diocesan priests today are the products of Irish homes. Showing that the faith has come to us through the Irish.

Even today, in regions of our country where vocations to the priesthood are few, the Bishops have taken themselves to Ireland and brought back to America Irish priests in order that the faith might not be lost.

We hear much today of the thesis that the Irish are a vanishing people. This may be true physically, but Ireland will live forever in the faith, the learning and the culture which are her contributions to the world.

## Waverly KC Plan Degrees, Honor Veteran Mothers

By ELIZABETH TUCCINARAH

Waverly — The Knights of Columbus, Council No. 251, met Tuesday evening at their rooms in the Albertson Memorial Building, Waverly, to complete plans for the degrees, Grand Knight, Richard Coeman, presided.

The First Degree will be given to approximately 25 candidates on Tuesday evening, March 23rd, at 8:00 p.m.

On the afternoon of Sunday, April 11, at 2:00 p.m. the first and second degrees will be put on. The Waverly Degree Staff will preside at both degrees.

Following the dinner, Mrs. Florence Korrigian furnished entertainment.

John Hughes and John P. Laux were honored as fifty year members and Dr. John M. Higgins as a forty-one year member.

Dr. Higgins gave an interesting discourse on the Knights of Columbus, their position as citizens, and their loyalty and patriotism to their country and church.

On the committees were Harold Brennan, chairman, assisted by Thomas Rynone and Joseph Nunan. The ticket committee was composed of Harry Schreck, Kenneth Rimbey, Daniel Haas and Angelo Smith.

which will take place in the Albertson Memorial Hall. Refreshments will be served after each occasion.

Waverly — The Knights of Columbus, Council No. 251, held a dinner Tuesday evening, March 2 at the Keystone Inn, Sayre, Pa., for the members and their ladies. More than 100 attended.

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