

Corning Police Slate Smut Publication War

Corning — Police Chief Roman J. Laurence has announced that after an extended time in the planning stage, a movement to block the sale of crime, sex and immorality will get underway in Corning next month.

"When we start," he said, "we are going to do as good a job as is possible within the purview of state laws.

"I want to go into the bills drawn by the joint legislative committee on comic books. It is the intent of two of these bills to give local police and city attorneys greater authority in bringing about enforcement."

HE POINTED out that comic book publishers, meeting recently in Daytona Beach, Fla., announced that they would set up a self-regulatory system under a specially selected head who would censor their publications.

"We are waiting to see how this system works out," Chief Laurence explained. "As yet, it has not reached Corning, but we hope that it will before long."

He asserted that laws to keep indecent, horror and crime books away from minors can be enforced just as easily as laws to keep alcoholic beverages away from them are enforced.

"We get no more complaints about the sale of liquor to minors," he said, "and I think we have just about eliminated that business from the local picture. We can do the same with indecent books."

"SOME DEALERS" complain

that they are still being forced to take the cheap comics from distributors and publishers in order to get their fair quotas of high class periodicals.

"It is my thought that the dealers could stop this high pressure business by getting together and drawing up an agreement and sending copies to the better publishers."

"One merchant says that he cannot get his orders for magazines filled as ordered because he refuses to display comic books. He explains that he merely stacks the dirty books in his back room as soon as they are delivered to him.

"He is losing business by sticking to principle — and I don't know how we can help him. However, if he can show us that any law is being violated or that interstate commerce regulations are being flouted, we shall report to the proper authorities."

EN ORDER that he may complete his preparations for the October drive, Chief Laurence requests that specific complaints be made to him.

"I want all of the information that I can get," he said, "and all of the cooperation that the people can give."

Inquiry Classes To Reopen For Elmira, Monday



REV. FRANCIS J. LEE, RENEWAL OF THE INQUIRY CLASSES in St. Patrick's Parish Elmira, will take place Monday evening Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the school assembly room.

Classes will be held each Monday and Thursday evenings and run for one hour, followed by a question and answer period and are open to Non-Catholics.



REV. ROBERT D. DONOVAN, Rector and Catechist who are desiring to take a refresher course in their Holy Religion. Instruction will be given by Rev. Robert J. Donovan and Rev. Francis J. Lee, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church. Arrangements may be made for private instruction by calling St. Patrick's rectory.

School Zone Establishment Set For St. Patrick, Corning

Corning — Children attending St. Patrick's School and parishioners going to and from St. Patrick's Church will have some protection against speeders in the near future.

Mayor Joseph L. Andrews has announced that a school zone will be established on the new arterial highway in the vicinity of the parish church and school.

The new arterial highway passes directly in front of the church and school, and many residents of that area have indicated a danger to persons attempting to cross the busy thruway. Establishment of the safety zone was made known in a letter received by Mayor Andrews last week.

IN THE LETTER, Lloyd A. Maeder, director of the New York State Traffic Commission, said "arrangements will be made for erection of 'School Slow' signs to inform users of the highway of the presence of the school. It is assumed, he said, that motorists are acquainted with the 15 mile per hour limit in connection with a school and "this should be sufficient."

CONSIDERATION will also be given "the desirability of the application of crosswalk markings and erection of school crossing signs on the arterial in advance of Pine and Chestnut Streets," the director wrote.

The letter was in answer to a request for establishment of the school zone in the St. Patrick's vicinity and the establishment of crosswalk markings at the arterial's intersection with Pine St.

and Chestnut St. The request by the mayor was in line with action requested by the Corning Common Council.

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Women's Club In Painted Post Holds Meeting

Painted Post — Mrs. Robert Melkel took over as president of the Catholic Women's Club of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church here at the fall reorganization meeting held last week in the church.

Serving with the new president are Mrs. Charis Parker, treasurer, and Mrs. Phyllis Frost, secretary. During the meeting, Mrs. Melkel reported on her attendance at a meeting in Geneva a week ago in company with Mrs. Stanley Manning and Miss Alice Hart, at which plans were announced for the annual convention of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women in Rochester Oct. 13.

PLANS WERE announced last week for a public bazaar and harvest fair to be sponsored by the local Catholic Women's Club on Nov. 5. Mrs. James Rader and Mrs. Raymond Van Dusen were named co-chairmen for this event.

At the luncheon supper prior to the business meeting, the Rev. Harold Rogers, pastor, gave the invocation and group singing was led by Mrs. Rose Mary Sprick at the piano. Mrs. Norbert R. Holland and Mrs. Stephen Hocking were co-chairmen of the supper.

NEW PROJECT this year will be a question and suggestion box to be used by any member. Mrs. Margaret Culp was appointed to take charge of this venture. All questions will be answered by Father Rogers at the monthly meetings.

Three new members were welcomed Monday evening. They were Mrs. Francis J. Kelly, Mrs. Frederick White and Miss Bernice Connell.

MRS. RADEK announced the various chairman of committees for the fair as follows: Mrs. Stanley J. Apenowich, aprons; Mrs. William E. Bassney, fancy work; Mrs. A. Edward Bassney, Christmas decorations; Mrs. Thomas Elmer, children's booth; Mrs. Mary Crispino, fish pond; Mrs. Shirley Frost, children's games; Mrs. Stanley Manning's food and baked goods; Mrs. Vernon R. Volght, homemade candy; Mrs. Norbert L. Galis, parcel post booth; Mrs. Raymond C. Trolle, refreshments and Mrs. August Stenger, hall decorations.

The next meeting, Oct. 4, will be a new membership tea at 8 p.m. preceded by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the church proper. Miss Ruth Warraer is tea chairman.

Assisting Mrs. Holland and Mrs. Keating Monday evening were the Mesdames Hugh Murphy, Robert C. Wylie, Bruno Fortino, Frederick Balozzi, E. C. Davis, Louis J. Spaccio, Joseph P.

Father Ammering Blesses Graves In Owego Parish

Owego — "If we here, today, were Godless men and women, this would be a sad affair, but since we have faith in the justice and fairness of God, and a strong belief in life hereafter, this gathering need not take so dreary an aspect."

These were the words of the Rev. Bruce A. Ammering, at the annual blessing of the graves at St. Patrick Cemetery, on Sunday afternoon.

Elmira Area Deaths

The following deaths were reported in the Elmira area this week:

Clyde Simon Peck, 48, of 1063 Magee St., Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1954. World War 2 veteran, employe of Harding Bros. Inc., communicant of St. Casimir's Church; member of Rex Field Post, VFW. Survived by wife, Mrs. Anna Peck, son, Clyde S. Jr., Aloys and Andrew Peck, all of Elmira; stepdaughters, Mrs. Benjamin Delbert of Wellsburg, Mrs. Frank Petrochko of Olyphant, Pa.; stepson, Francis Beckage of Canada; brothers, Stanley, Clarence and Frank Peck, all of Elmira; Stephen of Texas; sisters, Mrs. Louis Wineckel, Mrs. Frank Kalec and Mary Peck of Elmira, Mrs. William Maul, Mrs. Robert Wethers and Mrs. William Kennedy, all of Cleveland, Ohio. Body was at Francis T. Mogros Funeral Home. Prayer service there Friday. Requiem Mass at St. Casimir's Church, Woodlawn National Cemetery.

James F. Murray of 210 W. First St., Sept. 15, 1954. He was a retired electrician, having worked for the Lackawanna Railroad for many years. Survived by sisters, Margaret E. Eleanor L. and Mary Florence Murray, all of home. Body was at Charles F. Hughes & Son Funeral Home and Thursday afternoon was taken to the family home. Prayer service there Saturday followed by Requiem High Mass at St. Patrick's Church, St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Emmett Thompson of 714 College Ave., Sept. 17, 1954. He was a retired employe of the American Sales Book Co. Survived by sister, Mrs. Emma Cleary of Elmira; nieces, Mrs. Gerald Walsh of Elmira and Mrs. Joseph Murphy of Endicott. The body was at the Justin T. McCarthy Funeral Home, 403 Walnut St. Prayer service there Monday followed by Requiem High Mass in St. Patrick's Church, St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

John Donald McCauley of 557 E. Church St., Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1954, at Dansville, N. Y. DL&W Railroad conductor; member Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. Survived by wife, Mrs. Fay D. McCauley; stepson, Jack Loman; sister, Mrs. James E. Ryan, and brother, Edward W. McCauley, all of Elmira. Body was at Charles F. Hughes & Son Funeral Home, and was removed to family home. Prayer service there Friday at 8:15 a.m., Requiem High Mass at 9 in St. Peter and Paul's Church, St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Troy, James E. Trumble and Alexander Wylie.

Women At Retreat
Owego — The fourth annual retreat conducted by members of Court St. Rose, all Elmira, Catholic Daughters of America, was held recently at the Canacle Retreat House in Rochester. The retreat was conducted by the Rev. Robert H. Flood, C.S.B., librarian of St. John Fisher College.

Five members of the local court were in Rochester for the retreat and they included Miss Genevieve Birch, Miss Frances Hoffman, Miss Mary Hager, Mrs. Mary Robinson and Mrs. Gertrude McGovern. Mrs. McGovern was chairman of the movement, a position she has held for the past four years.

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Two Corning Marines Reunited In Korea

Corning — Two Corning boys who enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in August, 1953, and who took their boot training together at Parris Island, S. C. were reunited this month in Korea in the First Marine Division after months of separation.

They are Pfc. Vincent P. Caracel, son of Mrs. Mary Jelliff of 263 East Second St., and Pfc. Vincent Capo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mello Capo, 161 Wall St.

Both graduates of Corning Free Academy, Caracel was employed in the drafting department of Ingersoll Rand before entering service. Capo, who enlisted following graduation was a star football and track man while in high school.

They were separated following boot training after they were at Quantico, Va. They will be in Korea for 14 months.

Former Corning Couple Celebrates Anniversary

Corning — Anthony and Rose Conzo of Paterson, N. J., who were married at St. Vincent de Paul's Church in Corning 21 years ago, celebrated their anniversary last Sunday at a reception for 15 guests at the Casino de Charles in Paterson. Hearing the vows at the wedding was the late Rev. A. F. Temmerman, pastor of the local church at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Conzo left Corning about nine years ago with their two daughters, Edith and Louise. They own a grocery business in Paterson.

Mrs. Conzo is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Conzo of 223 Chestnut St., Corning.

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