

Deaf Priest Marvels At American Sign Language

The Very Rev. Canon William J. Hayward of the Saratoga, England Diocese, the first totally deaf priest to be ordained in the Catholic Church, told the Catholic deaf of Rochester that the sign language used here is "infinitely superior" to that employed in the British Isles.

Canon Hayward told the Rev. John B. Gallagher, C.S.R., Chaplain of the International Catholic Deaf Association, in an interview that he planned to "improve" the American sign language to his country.

"It is easier to learn and understand," he said, "it is more definite, clearer, and more elaborate. Our system in England is based on pictures of ideas instead of letters, and is very incomplete. In America you can make signs word for word, and we cannot."

Canon Hayward, 58, who came to the United States as the special guest of the Fifth Annual Convention of the International

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Catholic Deaf Association, is observing methods of teaching the deaf in this country.

ONE OF THE 500 British soldiers from the famed Sherwood Foresters Regiment, who contracted spinal meningitis in the trenches during World War I, at the Battle of Loos, the Canon lost his hearing within two hours. Most of his fellow soldiers died.

A student for the Anglican ministry, he returned to his studies on release from the Army but later gave them up. In 1918 he joined the Roman Catholic Church and taught at the only Catholic deaf school in England at St. John's, Boston Spa, in Yorkshire.

Seeing the need for a priest to minister to the adult deaf, he applied to his Bishop and offered himself as a candidate for the priesthood. Special dispensations were granted by the Holy See and Father Hayward was ordained in 1927.

The only other priest admitted to Holy Orders under similar conditions is Father Vincent de Paulo Burnier of Brazil, 34 years old, who was the guest of the I.C.D.A. last year.

AFTER HIS ordination, Canon Hayward started centers for the deaf in various parts of England and Scotland. On the occasion of his silver jubilee as a priest, his diocesan Ordinary, Bishop Henry V. Marshall of Salisford, made him an honorary Canon of the Cathedral Chapter.

The Canon paid a short visit to St. Bernard's Seminary and was much impressed with the seminarians who are instructing the Catholic deaf children at the Rochester School for the Deaf. He was surprised at their familiarity and ease in making use of the manual alphabet and the sign language in speaking to him.

A meeting and social of the Catholic Deaf Club will be held in St. Joseph's Hall on Franklin St. on Monday, Oct. 4, at 8 p.m. A committee will be formed to aid in the drive to have every Catholic deaf person a member of the International Catholic Deaf Association. Also, plans will be made for the coming Card Party and Halloween Social.

CENTENNIAL PARTY MAPPED



ALUMNAE LEADERS who are mapping the Nazareth Academy Alumnae Association Card Party, Oct. 6 at the Academy Lake Ave. for the Sisters of St. Joseph. Centennial are: (from left) Mrs. Frank Eaton and Mrs. Edward Esse, ticket chairman; Mrs. Edward J. Mathole, co-chairman; and Mrs. William J. Ryan, chairman; and Mrs. Robert Nary, Alumnae president. (John D. Foy Photo)

Card Party To Benefit Sisters In Centennial Year

The Nazareth Academy Alumnae Association will hold a card party at the Academy on Wednesday, Oct. 6 at 8 p.m. The proceeds will be presented as a testimonial to the Sisters in the centennial year in the diocese of Rochester.

THE ASSOCIATION hopes to reach a goal of \$1,000 as their centennial gift to the Sisters who staff Nazareth Academy, according to Mrs. William J. Ryan, chairman, and Mrs. Edward J. Mathole, co-chairman.

Ticket returns should be made by Oct. 5. Anyone wishing to play at home may make reservations prior to this date and arrange to pick up the table prizes.

Assisting in arrangements are the Mesdames Edward Esse and Frank Eaton, tickets; Roy Burns, reception; John Foy and Raymond Mas, refreshments; David Moore, Donald Kipp and C. R. Palmer, prizes and tables; and John Foy, publicity.

Field Day Set By Mercy High At Ellison Park

Our Lady of Mercy High School will hold their annual field day at Ellison Park on Tuesday, Oct. 5 with a double-header baseball game featuring the seniors and juniors, and the sophomores and freshmen. Voting will take place to determine the "most valuable player."

A new feature this year will be the Parade decoration contest. Each class will display its decorations in the school auditorium. Tuesday morning and will be judged for quality, quantity and spirit shown.

CONTEST CHAIRMEN are Eileen Popkoski and Irene LaTempa, seniors; Doris Hobbett, juniors; Norine Christiano, sophomores; and Barbara Leone, freshmen.

A scavenger hunt will start off the day's activities. The list of items will be passed out following the pep rally Monday morning. The winning class will lead the parade to Ellison Park.

Chairmen are Gayle Krompant, seniors; Joan Hayes, juniors; Sharon Combs, sophomores; and Mary Kay Gaffney, freshmen.

A song fest will be held with Sheila Stampfl, senior chairman; Marilyn Forker and Margie Steink, juniors; Carol Wiest, sophomores; and Helen Lorey, freshmen.

Cheerleader teams will vie for honors during the baseball game.

Bishop Honored Portsmouth, England (NC)—Bishop John Henry King of Portsmouth has been given the personal rank of Archbishop to mark his priestly golden jubilee.

Fr. Erb Home From Africa To Address Mercy Pupils

Home after seven years in Africa missionary work, the Rev. Charles G. Erb, S.Y.D., a native Rochesterian will speak to students of Our Lady of Mercy High School on missionary work in Africa at the school on Oct. 13.

His talk is being sponsored by the school's Catholic Students Mission Crusade Unit.

WHILE SPENDING those seven years in Africa, Father Erb served as pastor of Christ the King Church. He was the head of Catholic Action on the Gold Coast and taught at a college in Accra, Africa. The Africans enjoyed Father's well-known movie van. American sound and silent movies were shown and translated by a catechist.

Previous to his missionary work Father Erb served in the Aetolians and in Germany as a chaplain of the Rainbow Division during World War II.

One of fourteen children, Father Erb was graduated from Holy Family School. He began his missionary training at the Mission House in Gerard Park, then went to St. Mary's Mission House in Vienna, in Vienna, Austria. Father Erb was ordained on May 28, 1933.

Father Erb is at Mercy High, Mary Erb, in the sophomore class.

Other officers of the society include: Mrs. Joseph Mercier, vice president; Mrs. Harold Schmeucker, treasurer; and Mrs. Frank Bourcy, secretary. Mrs. Dominic Cavalotti is sunshine chairman. Mrs. Walter Scheidt is NCGW representative.

The executive committee consists of Mrs. Thomas Regley, Mrs. John Reardon and Mrs. William Bell. The Rev. Andrew Teuschel is moderator.

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New Officers Installed By St. Thomas Holy Name Unit

St. Thomas Holy Name Society installed its officers at a banquet meeting at the Rochester Yacht Club. The new officers are:

Richard E. Maurer, president; Donald F. Foley, vice president; Thomas B. McCabe, recording secretary; Bill Archibald, corresponding secretary; Emmett J. Muldoon, treasurer.

Vigil committee is headed by Albert E. Smith; membership, Dean Coffey; publicity, Carl Haebele; and the meeting refreshment committee, John J. Conlon. Spiritual director is the Rev. John Morgan.

Maurer outlined the new program for the year. The two most immediate items were a membership drive and a father and sons Communion. The membership drive will be on Oct. 3 and its aim is to contact every man in the parish for ultimate membership in the Society.

The Father and Sons Communion will be on Oct. 10, the regular Holy Name Communion Sunday when all the fathers and sons will receive in a body at the 7:30 Mass.

Appreciation was extended to Robert R. Goschke, chairman of the installation banquet and to Louis A. Whalen, toastmaster, for the success of the meeting.

The meeting was addressed by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Richard K. Burns, Msgr. Burns, recently returned from Rome, spoke of his experiences. He was a teacher in the North American College and his close proximity to the Pope resulted in an enlightening description of the activities of the Church Hierarchy. He concluded with a request for prayer to the Church persecuted.

Newman Club Slates Talks On Christian Marriage

Newman Club of the University of Rochester has announced a series of talks on Christian Marriage to begin Oct. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Todd Union. Speakers at the series will be:

The Rev. Albert J. Shannon, M.A., Oct. 5, "Love, Courtship and Engagement"; the Rev. Louis J. Hohman, Oct. 19, "Spiritual Nature of Marriage"; and Mrs. John J. Conway Jr., Nov. 2, "Choosing the Right Partner"; the Rev. John O'Keefe, J.C.D., Nov. 16, "Role of the Church in Marriage"; Dr. William E. Madden, Nov. 20, "The Great Sin in Marriage"; Dec. 14, "Mixed Marriage."

At these meetings, two presents besides the chaplain, the Rev. L. John Hedges, will be in attendance to make personal consultation possible. They are Father Shannon and the Rev. Eugene St. McFarland.

Oct. 24 has been set aside as a Day of Recollection to be held at Sacred Heart Academy. Old Newmanites will be invited. Services will be conducted from 2 to 4:30 p.m. followed by Mass and Holy Communion at St. Mary Church at 5 p.m.

A weekly discussion group is held on each campus presided by the regular office hours of the chaplain.

Freshmen were greeted at the first general meeting held last week at Cutler Union. A picnic was held Sunday to Powder Mill Park.

Seminarians Hear Communism Hit

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required or recommended reading; using cleverly slanted texts; presenting lectures by communist-frontists to the parent teachers' associations; even staging a communist-line cantata to honor Lincoln's birthday, according to the speaker. Although the committee's disclosures have been backed up with indisputable proof, the local educational authorities have taken no action, Mr. Kernan said.

WHAT CAN CATHOLICS do in the face of infiltration? The speaker said that the only solution for Catholics to take an active interest in parent teachers associations and in the operation of our public schools; and in public educational meetings to speak up in the name of religious principles as strongly as communists speak up in the name of materialistic principles.

Since Catholics alone have clung unwaveringly to the fundamental Christian truths on which our nation was founded, they have a particular duty to come to the defense of the United States against those who are trying to undermine it, Mr. Kernan pointed out.

For the same reason, it is important for more Catholics to enter the teaching profession, where they can do much to offset the destructive work of subversive teachers, he declared.

Mr. Kernan is the author of "My Road to Certainty: An Autobiography," published in New York last year.

Speakers to appear before the Dante Society in the future are: Sir Arnold Lunn, Nov. 14 and Richard Patten, on March 3.

Judge Meagher To Address Veterans

Children's Court Judge Thomas J. Meagher will be guest speaker at the monthly meeting of Sacred Heart Post No. 1127, C.W.V. on Monday, Oct. 4 in Sacred Heart Cathedral School Hall at 8:15 p.m. according to Edward T. Plante, commander.

Hibernians Slate Card Party

Auburn-The Auburn Cayuga County Division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and Auxiliary will sponsor a card party Friday, Oct. 8, at 8:30 p.m. at the Hotel Osbourne. General chairman is Miss Bernice A. Hickey and John Griffin as co-chairmen.

Other committee members are: ticket chairman, John McDermott; co-chairman, Miss Shirley Sullivan; captains, the Misses Pauline Hayden, Eileen Ward, Katherine Randall, Paula Falsely, Mary Brett, Alice Kirwin, Anna Burns, Katherine Keegan, Miriam Hickey, Florence Ryan, Margaret Quigley, Mary Agnes Nolan, Kathleen McAuliffe, and Raymond Wall, John Madden, James Walker, Patrick Maye, Bernard Cullen, Peter Brennan, Gerald Shannon and William Farrell.

Prize committee, Miss Mary Donovan; co-chairman, Miss Anne Hennessey; also Mary McDermott, Mildred Barney, Catherine Barney, Josephine Brennan, Loretta Donahue, Frederick Farrell, John Maye, Martin Brennan, Jerry McAuliffe.

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