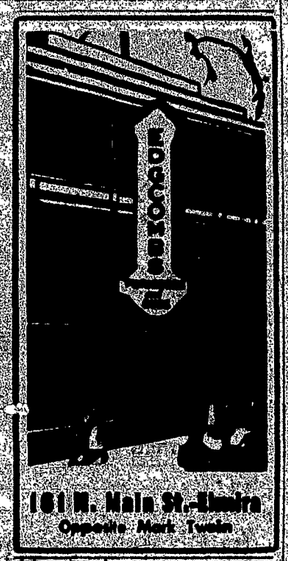
Abbe Pierre In Hospital

Paris— (NC) —Abbe Pierre, French priest who led a nation-wide campaign last winter on behalf of the homeless of Paris, has entered a hospital here for observation and rest.



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Poster, Essay Contests Announced For Students

Ladies of Charity are sponsoring an essay and poster contest on "Putting Christ Back Into Christmas" at the Elmira Catholic and public high schools. Essays must be between 1,200 and 1,500 words and are to be submitted to the Catholic Family Service office, 312 Lake St., Elmira, N. Y. by Dec. 1.

Winner will be announced Dec. 6. First prize is $20 and second prize $10. They will be judged on knowledge of subject, accuracy, originality and neatness.

COCHAIRMEN are Miss Mary FitzGerald and Miss Kathleen Sullivan. Entry forms are available at the schools.

Junior high school students in public schools and seventh and eighth grade students in parochial schools are eligible for the poster contest.

Posters must be submitted to 312 Lake St. by Dec. 1 and winners will be named on Dec. 6.

A first prize of $15 and a second place award of $10 will be made based on knowledge, accuracy, originality and neatness.

Boystown In Venezuela

Taguy, Venezuela— (NC) — Venezuela's first Boystown has opened its doors here. The project was inspired by Father Alfonso Vazquez, of Caracas, who was previously responsible for setting up a home and school for bootblacks in the capital.

Corning Weddings

Lentricchia-Ireland

Corning — St. Mary's Church in this city was the scene at 10 a. m. last Saturday for the Nuptial Mass and double ring ceremony uniting in marriage Miss Marjorie Ethel Ireland and Francis Louis Lentricchia, both of Corning.

The bride is the daughter of Earl H. Ireland of 183 East First Street and Mrs. Ethel Ireland of 164 Pearl Street. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lentricchia, 89 West Second Street.

Miss Elaine Ireland was maid of honor. Miss Rosemary Lentricchia was bridesmaid and Miss Carol Ann Manwaring, flower girl. All are from corning.

Best man was Francis Abreu and ushering guests at the service was James Cushing Jr., both of Corning.

Corning — Miss Marjorie Ellen Borhman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Borhman of Savona became the bride of Richard John Benincasa, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Benincasa of Bath, RD 1, in a double ring ceremony at 10 a.m. last Saturday, Nov. 20.

The Rev. Henry C. Manley, pastor performed the ceremony in St. Mary's Church in Bath.

The couple was attended by Miss Alice Borhman of Bath, sister of the bride and Frank R. Benincasa, brother of the groom.

Mrs. Spraque Rites Held In Ithaca

Ithaca — Funeral services for Mrs. Monica P. Sprague of 510 Mitchell St. who died Nov. 9, 1954, were held last Friday at the Bangs Funeral Home, followed by a Solemn High Mass of Requiem in the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Byrne was celebrant; the Rev. Paul A. Morgan, deacon, and the Rev. Otto J. Vogt, subdeacon.

Seated in the Sanctuary were the Very Rev. Msgr. Donald M. Cleary, the Rev. James T. Baker, the Rev. Vincent P. Collins, the Rev. L. John Hedges and the Rev. Robert J. Downs.

Active bearers were Joseph F. Farley, William M. Egan, Raymond J. Slany, John H. Hardy, Sergio S. Santos and Charlton C. Hetzler.

Honorary bearers were Mesdames Isabel Davis, Frances Sparo, Lillian Charron, Clara Smith, Sonia Peech, Mary Daniels, Mary Hetzler, Lucy Aguilar, Nell Bedell, Jane Lisenring, Phyllis McKee, Eileen Kohles, Genevieve Bossack, Mary McCarthy, Rita Egan, and Elizabeth Hartsock, members of the Altar and Rosary Society of the Church of the Immaculate Conception and the Parent-Teacher Association of the school.

Burial was in Calvary Cemetery, where Msgr. Byrne conducted the prayers at the grave assisted by the priests who attended the Mass.

Requiem Mass Held For Mrs. McMahon

Corning — Funeral services wereheld Nov. 17 for Mrs. Martha Felce McMahon, 81 widow of Patrick J. McMahon, who died at an out of town hospital Nov. 14 1954, following a long illness. Her residence was at 135 W. First St. with a niece, Mrs. Katherine Elston.

Following a prayer at A. W. Beilby and son Funeral home, Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Lawrence Sansom, assistant pastor, in St. Mary Church. Burial was in St. Mary Cemetery, where Father Sansom also officiated.

Bearers were Sebastian Frey, Harold Tawney, Robert Burns, Frank Dailey, Robert Said and William Gernon.

Mrs. McMahon was born in Fallbrook Pa., November 7, 1873, the daughter of Eli and Mary Jane Thomas Kelce. She came to Corning as a young girl and became a member of St. Mary Parish. Mr. McMahon died in Corning Sept. 18, 1937.

Other survivors than the niece are: a brother, Thomas B. Kelce of Mainsburg, Pa.; nieces, Mrs. Elmer Allen of Blossburg, Pa. and Mrs. Harold Tawney of Columbia Street, Corning; two nephews, Francis Neally of Corning and William Neally.

Pilgrims Slate Bethlehem Trips

Jerusalem — (RNS) — More than 2,500 Arab and other Christians living in Isreal have already filed applications for three-day passes to cross the border into Jordan-controlled Bethlehem on pilgrimages during the Christmas season, it was reported here.

It is expected that the number permitted to cross over into Jerusalem's Old City on Dec. 24 for the five-mile pilgrimage to Bethlehem will far exceed last year's record total of 3,000.

Direct Clothing Drive In Chemung

IN RESPONSE to the Bishop's appeal for clothing for sufferers abroad, this group is directing campaigns in Chemung county parishes. Clothing is being taken to specific points in each parish to be sent to the needy. Members of St. Mary's Church committee in Elmira include from left: Mrs. Robert McCarthy, Mrs. John Corcoran, chairman; Mrs. Robert Allmendinger and Mrs. William Supple.

Triduum To End IFCA Marian Year

Rochester Circle, International Federation of Catholic Alumnae will close the Marian Year with a Triduum in honor of Our Lady to be conducted by His Excellency Bishop Kearney in Our Lady of Mercy Convent Chapel, 1437 Blossom Road, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 1,3 at 7:30 p.m.

Services will consist of Rosary of Our Lady, sermon and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. At the Wednesday service, Bishop Kearney's topic will be Alma Mater; on Thursday, Alma Mater, Dei Dei; and on Friday, Alma Mater, Sancta Ecclesia.

Mrs. William John Kelly and Miss Mary Bush head a special committee on invitations and are being assisted by Miss Winifred Kelly, Miss Anne Marie Stauffer, Miss Marian Warner, Mrs. Roy Martin, Mrs. Herbert Sundholm, Mrs. William Maloy.

An invitation to friends to join with IFCA members in this Triduum in honor of Our Lady has been extended by Mrs. John J. Mahoney, regent of Rochester Circle.

Pigrimage To Rio Planned In July

A diocesan pilgrimage will be held to the International Eucharistic Congress in Rio De Janeiro from July 17-24 1955 under the direction of the Rev. Francis K. Burns, S.T.B., of St. Bernard Seminary faculty.

Two tours are being offered by the Kalbfleisch Travel Agency which will include the Congress. One is a 31 day tour by sea and air and the other is a 33 day tour by air. Information may be obtained by calling the Agency at BAker 5440.

Engagement Announced By Corning Couple

Corning — The engagement of Miss Mary Costello, daughter of Constantino Costello of 341 W. Erie Ave. and the Late Mrs. Phelomenia Costello, to Airman Second Class Walter W. Briggs Jr. of Corning was anouncement a few days ago.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Briggs of 340 W. William St.

Miss Costello is a graduate of Corning Free Academy, Class of 1951, and is employed at the Lincoln Rochester Trust Company in this city.

Briggs, who attended Northside High School, is now stationed at Sampson Air Force Base near Geneva.

The young couple are making plans for a summer wedding.

Reds' 'Model City' Has No Church

Berlin — (NC) — There is no place for a church in a new "model city" planned by the Polish communist regime in Silesia.

To be called Nowa Dabrowa, the new city, according to a Red announcement, will house 40,000 miners, foundry workers and workers in other industries in the area. The plans call for construction of nine elementary schools, one school of "general education," four vocational schools, 13 kindergartens, a "house of culture," four community centers, a 400-capacity movie theater, health centers, nurseries and pharmacies.

There is no mention in the announcement of any provisions for a church in the "model city."

Takes Intelligence

"It doesn't take intelligence to fall in love but it takes real intelligence to stay in love."—Anita Colby, in The Sign.

Elmira Area Deaths

The following deaths were reported in the Elmira area during the past week:

Joseph Zukowski of 1258 College Ave., Nov. 16, 1954. Survived by daughters, Mrs. James Brown of Horseheads, Mrs. Joseph A. Gawlas and Mrs. Carroll Ripley, both of Elmira; son, John Zukowski of New Haven, Conn.; 10 grandchildren. Body was at Justin T. McCarthy Funeral Home and was removed to W. T. Scuenman Funeral Home, Wyoming, Pa. Requiem High Mass Friday morning at St. Joseph Church, Exeter, Pa. St. Joseph Cemetery, Exeter.

Paul G. Kingston of 530 W. Clinton St., Nov. 17, 1954. Survived by wife, Mrs. Nellie B. Kingston; daughters, Mrs. Daniel F. O'Neill and Mrs. Frederick J. Lindberger; brother, William R. Kingston, all of Elmira. Body was at Frank O'Dea Funeral Home. Prayer service there Friday. Solemn High Requiem Mass in St. Patrick Church. St. Peter and Paul Cemetery. The Holy Name Society of St. Patrick Church met at funeral home for the Rosary.

Nancy Besanceney, 3 week-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Besanceney of 336 Home St., Nov. 17, 1954. Survived by parents; sisters, Marilou and Janette; brother, Robert Besanceney Jr., all at home; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Lowery; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Louis Clayson, all of Elmira. Body was at Olthof Funeral Home. Committal service Friday in St. Peter and Paul Cemetery.

Miss Anna Hart of 380½ W. Fourth St. Prayer service was held at the Justin T. McCarthy Funeral Home, Friday, Nov. 19, followed by Requiem High Mass in St. Patrick Church. The Rev. Francis J. Erb was the celebrant, and the Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Brien, V.F., and the Rev. Robert J. Donovan were in the sanctuary. Pallbearers: John, Gerald and Louis Hart and John Culnane. The Rev. James J. Martin conducted the committal service in St. Peter and Paul Cemetery.

Frank Joseph Bonsignore of 808 Johnson St., Nov. 19, 1954. Survived by wife, Mrs. Gloria Bonsignore; parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bonsignore; brother, Michael Bonsignore; sister, Mrs. Anthony Christofaro, all of Elmira. Body was at Francis T. Mogros Funeral Home. Prayer service there Monday, Requiem High Mass in St. Anthony Church, Woodlawn National Cemetery.

Mrs. Esther Ballard Pierce, 35, of Cleveland, Ohio, formerly of Elmira Heights, Nov. 18, 1954. Survived by son, Robert Reid, and father, Carl Ballard, both of Elmira Heights; sisters, Mrs. Phyllis Heverly and Mrs. Mary Wheeler, both of Elmira. Body was at Philip F. Wolf Funeral Home. Prayer service there Monday. Requiem High Mass in St. Charles Borromeo Church, Elmira Heights. St. Peter and Paul Cemetery.

Andrew Sucowish, 82, of 125 Verona St., Elmira Heights, formerly of Germania, Pa., Nov. 19, 1954. Survived by daughters, Mrs. Oscar Eline of Elmira Heights, with whom he resided, Mrs. J. H. Sanford of Elmira, Mrs. William Beck of New York City, Mrs. N. T. Ballou of Fredericksburg, Va., Mrs. George Chase and Mrs. Albert Haughey, both of Watkins Glen; sons, John of Endicott, Harry Succowish of Germania. Body was at home of daughter, Mrs. Oscar Eline of 125 Verona St., Elmira Heights. Prayer service there Monday. Requiem High Mass in St. Nicholas Church, Elmira Heights, the Very Rev. W. B. Dowhovich. St. Nicholas Cemetery, Town of Horseheads.

John F. Costello of 655 College Ave., Nov. 21, 1954. He was a retired machinist at Remington Rand Inc., Survived by daughters, Mrs. Frank Harchison and Mrs. Howard Terwilliger, both of Elmira, Mrs. Elwood Woelfel of Tonawanda; sisters, Mrs. James French and Mrs. Charles Lovejoy, and brothers, Vincent and Henry Costello, all of Elmira; seven grandchildren. Body was at Charles F. Hughes & Son Funeral Home. Prayer service there Wednesday. Requiem High Mass in St. Patrick Church. St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Argentine Bishops Hit Spiritualism

Buenos Aires—(RNS)—A campaign to combat spiritualism will be waged during the coming year in Argentina, it was announced by the Roman Catholic hierarchy in a joint pastoral letter read in churches throughout the country.

Spiritualism has been promoted in Argentina by an organization called the Escuela Cientifica Basilio which, the pastoral letter said, "not only teaches grave errors in the matter of faith but even denies such fundamental truths as the divinity of Christ and the redemption of mankind by the Son of God."

Condemning the activities of spiritualist mediums the bishops said that "the spirits of the dead do not depend upon our will and are not at the disposal of those who seek to make contact with them at seances."

Spiritualism is "doubly grave and insidious," the letter added, because "in its tortuous and dangerous evolution," it purports to "put forward a spiritualist philosophy as a positive religion."

Integrated Catholic School Planned

Greensboro, N.C. —(NC)— This city of about 80,000 persons will get its first Catholic high school next year. Plans for the school—which will admit both boys and girls, white and colored students—were announced by Bishop Vincent S. Waters of Raleigh.

The new parochial school, to be known as Notre Dame High School, follows in line with the Bishop's order last summer that all parochial and diocesan high schools accept Catholic children regardless of race.

Red 'Retreat' Claim Hit By British

London—(NC)—The Universe, Catholic newspaper here, criticized a statement in the American secular press attributed to Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, retiring British Home Secretary, that communists are "in retreat" in Britain. It declared that this showed a complacency not warranted by facts.

"Admittedly the membership has fallen to 38,500 and they are unable to win a seat in the House of Commons but there is little doubt that communist influence is greater than ever within the trade unions, the paper said.

"Many found that being publicly branded as communists did not help their cause. As fellow-travellers they receive a much more sympathetic hearing in the unions and are ready at hand to exploit every genuine and fancied grievance."

THE CATHOLIC TIMES, commenting on the present outbreak of industrial unrest in Britain, also warned British trade unionists that "power is passing into the hands of the communists." It said that "industrial unrest and grievances are enabling the communists to do what they failed to do by ordinary political methods—to wield power.

The newspaper, declared that it was up to the trade unions themselves to insist that no strike should be possible without a proper vote by ballot of all the workers in an industry. At present, it said, men were being blackballed in some cases to come out on unofficial strikes for fear of victimisation.

Father Wohlrab Offers Requiem For Mother

Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Paul G. Wohlrab for his mother, Mrs. Mary A. Wohlrab of 249 Arlidge Dr., Greece, in Holy Family Church on Nov. 22. Mrs. Wohlrab, who died Nov. 18, 1954, was a member of the Rosary Society and the Ladies Catholic Benevolent Assn.

The Rev. Roy B. Morphy was deacon and the Rev. John P. Norris, subdeacon.

Surviving besides Father Wohlrab are five other sons, Robert A., a teacher for 35 years; Dr. Raymond B. of Utica; Leo J., Jerome C. and Charles R. Wohlrab of Rochester. Also surviving are a sister, Elizabeth Chamberlain of West Palm Beach, Fla.; a brother, Joseph Schur of Rochester and eight grandchildren.

A native of Rochester, she was married to Charles J. Wohlrab in 1898. He died in 1931.

In the sanctuary were:

Right Reverend Monsignor James C. McAniff, Charles F. Shay, F. William Stauder, John M. Duffy, Richard K. Burns.

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Reverend Fathers Frank Taylor, John Steger, John S. Merklinger, Albert J. Geiger, Gerald T. Connor, Bernard Dollen, John Healy, George J. Schmitt, Joseph Reinhart, Donald J. Murphy, John J. Hempel, John B. Kleinjes, Francis M. Feeney, Raymond G. Heisel, Michael P. O'Brien, John Newcomb.

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