

Recital To Dedicate New Organ In Elmira

The dedication recital for the new Teller organ, newly installed in St. John the Baptist Church, Elmira will take place on Sunday afternoon at 5:30 p.m.

Professor Philip G. Kreckel, organist at St. Boniface Church, Rochester, a member of the Diocesan Music Commission and prominent composer of church music will play.

- The program will include:
- Procession and blessing of organ
 - Several organ selections
 - Notes by the choir
 - (a) Jesus Christa by Melchiorre Mauro-Cottone
 - (b) Adagio Fideles arr. by P. G. Kreckel
 - Organ selections
 - Solemn Benediction
 - (a) Deus, Ego Amo Te XVIII Cent.
 - (b) Tantum Ergo Mode V (Suziel)
 - Holy God We Praise Thy Name
 - Organ Recessional
- An invitation is extended to all music lovers.

Triduum Slated For Christmas

The annual Christmas Triduum will open in St. Anthony's Church, Elmira on Tuesday evening, Dec. 21 and conclude with solemn services on Thursday evening, Dec. 23. The Rev. Silvio DeLuca, C.P. will conduct the services. The regular Novena services will be included in the Tuesday evening devotion.

Christmas Plans Made By Group At Hospital

Preparations are being made for the annual Christmas party at St. Joseph Hospital. More than 500 employees and student nurses will be guests of the sisters.

The party will be held on Tuesday from 2 to 4:30 p.m. in the dining room and auditorium of the Dunn Memorial Nurses' residence.

During the afternoon a musical entertainment will be provided, gifts exchanged, and refreshments served.

A HIGHLIGHT of the party will be the presentation of service awards to employees by Sister Margaret Adelaide, administrator.

Further Christmas week plans underway include caroling for the patients and a children's party. These are projects of the Sodality and the Student Government Association.

The student nurses annual Christmas formal is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 27 from 7 to 12.

Grants Awarded
Washington, D. C. (NC) - Five grants for medical research have been awarded to Georgetown University by the United States Public Health Service. It was announced here by the University's medical center.

Man On Comics
Denver (RNS) - Sen. Frank L. Gill, newly-elected president pro-tem, of the Colorado Senate has announced he will introduce legislation to outlaw the sale of comic books featuring horror sex and crime.

DAILY LECTURE
Some men's idea of practicing economy is to preach it daily to their wives.

Elmira Students Close Marian Year



STUDENTS AT ELMIRA Catholic High School close Marian Year with appropriate prayers to the Blessed Mother. Seated in the front row are (standing) Hugh Thomas and Susan Posthauser; (kneeling) Daniel Mc Carthy.

Degree Conferred On 11 Candidates

Corning - The first degree was conferred on 11 candidates at a meeting of Corning Council Knights of Columbus in the KC Home Dec. 9 with Grand Knight Paul Tammaro in charge of the ceremony.

The candidates were James V. Bothe, James E. Flannery, Albert J. Quattrini, John N. Gehl, Fredrick Barr, Robert J. Danachic, Robert J. Smith, Joseph T. Drumbeck, Joseph D. Liptak, Ferdinand W. Bobrick, and Edward C. Kernan.

The Council held a Christmas party Dec. 16 at the home, with George Oliver in charge of entertainment and Clement Murphy in charge of refreshments. There will be a ball on New Year's Eve with Norman Hultzman in charge of arrangements. It was announced.

Plans are now being made for a Christmas scene to be displayed on the lawn of the Council home.

Ithaca Girl Receives Habit Of Benedictines

Atchison, Kans. - Miss Marcia La France, daughter of Mr. Mark R. La France, 308 Elmwood Avenue, Ithaca, was clothed in the habit of the Benedictine sisterhood in monastic ceremonies of investiture in the Mount St. Scholastica chapel, Atchison, Kans., on Dec. 12. The Rev. Culbert McDonald, Abbot of St. Benedict's, Atchison, celebrated the Pontifical Mass of reception.

Concluding the clothing ritual, the new novice received her name in religion. Miss La France will be known as Sister De Lourdes, O.S.B.

Prior to her entrance in the Mount St. Scholastica novitiate, Sister De Lourdes was a member of Immaculate Conception Parish, Ithaca. She is a graduate of Marywood seminary, Scranton, Pa., and a former student at Mount St. Scholastica college, Atchison.

Clifford Sargent Promoted In KC
Clifford B. Sargent, of 23 Oxford St., Rochester, was promoted from field agent to general agent by the Knights of Columbus - Insurance Department, according to John F. Ricker, director of the Agency Department in New Haven.

Sargent has been serving as executive secretary of Rochester Council. In his new post he will direct the K. C. Insurance Councils throughout the Rochester diocese, and some councils in Buffalo and Syracuse diocese.

A past grand commander of Musa Caravan, Order of the Alhambra, Sargent has been active in the K. of C. for many years.

Three Parish Drives Meet With Success In Diocese

One parish fund campaign for a new Cathedral central has gone over the top, another for a school and convent is close to the goal set and a third for a new school is expected to meet its quota Sunday. Reports from around the Diocese of Rochester revealed this week.

The campaign of St. Mary of the Lake Parish, Watkins Glen, has gone over the \$100,000 mark by \$1,000 in Elmira, the drive for Our Lady of Lourdes school and convent passed \$187,000 on Tuesday. Parishioners of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Spencerport will hear the results of a two-week campaign for \$175,000 on Friday.

St. MARY OF THE LAKE PARISH, WATKINS GLEN, Watkins, Glen - Church bells will ring out from the tower of St. Mary of the Lake parish Friday, Dec. 17, to announce success of the Fund Campaign just completed there, according to Rev. Benedict Ehrmann, pastor.

The original goal of \$100,000 has been over-subscribed by \$1,000 and many cards are yet to be reported.

Success in the drive assures construction of a Cathedral and Social Center next to the rectory on Decatur St. Downstairs classrooms will provide facilities for religious instruction of public school pupils and a hall upstairs will seat 500 and enable parish groups to conduct meetings and activities there.

\$10,000 of the parish goal was pledged from the village of Odessa, \$5,000 from its sister village. This will be used for construction of a chapel there for Sunday and Holy Day Masses. Catholics in the Odessa area must travel up to ten miles to come to Watkins Glen for Mass.

Construction of both units, Father Ehrmann said, is expected to begin in the spring and will probably be in use by late autumn of 1955.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH, ELMIRA
The campaign to raise \$225,000 towards the construction of a new school and convent in Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Elmira, has achieved a fine measure of success according to a statement released Tuesday by the Rev. Leo G. Schwab, pastor.

Father Schwab said that as of Tuesday, the pledges for the new school amount to \$137,000.00, with some few pledge cards yet to be accounted for. This accomplishment is particularly gratifying to Father Schwab inasmuch

as the amount sought in the campaign seemed high.

Father Schwab's statement said: "I am very happy in being able to report that our campaign for a school and convent has been most successful. Thanks to the generosity of the people and the zeal of our workers, the pledges to date (Tuesday morning) total \$137,000.00 and as there are some cards unreported, we hope to reach \$140,000.00."

"I am most grateful to my assistants, Father L. Emmett Davis, pastor, co-chairman, J. Albert Coughlin and Dr. Gerald T. Connelly, to all committee members, division leaders, team captains and workers for their untiring efforts. Also to all the parishioners and friends in the Community who have responded so generously to our campaign manager and office workers, the ladies of the Rosary Altar Society and to the local press and Courier Journal.

"Then too, we are very thankful to His Excellency Bishop Keamey and to His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Casey for their advice, encouragement and assistance, but above all, we must be humbly grateful to Almighty God and Our Lady of Lourdes who are even more deeply interested than we are in a school for our children and who have played a far more important part

than we realize in our victory. Future plans for construction and other details on the new school and convent will be made known as soon as all data is available.

ST. JOHN EVANGELIST PARISH, SPENCERPORT
Spencerport - A Thanksgiving Service is scheduled for 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17 at St. John the Evangelist Church here, to mark the closing of a two-week Fund Campaign. Following Holy and Benediction, Rev. Francis J. Hester, pastor, will announce the result of the drive. All parishioners are invited. Father Hester said.

Purpose of the drive was to raise funds for construction of a new parochial school to replace the over-crowded and obsolete wooden structure now in use. At least \$75,000 is needed at this time to begin construction of the school which is estimated to cost \$125,000. If sufficient funds are pledged in the current drive, work on the new school will begin in the spring.

Father Hester announced at Mass last Sunday that the church bell will be rung at 11:45 a.m. on Friday to mark the closing of the drive. The bell has been silent for ten years; the pastor said, and will be used again to symbolize success in the campaign.

Shakespearean Festival Speaker Tells Of Macbeth

Montour Falls - Students of St. John Atonement Seminary heard Dr. Arthur Moore Miskener of Cornell University say that he did not believe Shakespeare attempted to be a moralist in the ordinary sense of the term in Macbeth, as much as to show the nature of evil.

Speaking at the Shakespearean festival held at the seminary, he stated that Shakespeare tries to have his audience actually experience the terror and despair that torments a criminal's soul.

"TO CORRECT this great purpose," Shakespeare has Macbeth commit one of the foulest crimes imaginable to the Elizabethan mentality. Not only does Macbeth murder Duncan, but the crime is aggravated by the fact that Duncan is king while Macbeth is the subject; Duncan is the great while Macbeth is the host; and the murder itself is committed during "The Innocence of Sleep." Each of these circumstances makes Macbeth's crime more of a total horror.

Dr. Miskener showed how an awareness of the terrible condition of his soul developed in Macbeth as the play progressed. The motives of love, honor and

obedience which Macbeth desired so avidly, can no longer be enjoyed even after Duncan's death because of the awareness of guilt. From the moment of the murder to the end of the play, Macbeth is in a state of nightmarish horror.

He is unable to sleep, because in killing Duncan, Macbeth murders a sleep. He is awfully awake to the natural world, since the staggering realization of the crime presses upon him. Macbeth tries to rub the stain of Duncan's blood from his hands and uselessly he tries to wash the guilt from his soul.

DR. MISKENER believes that Shakespeare's leading characters in this play, Macbeth and Lady Macbeth, are truly great since during the time in the play in which they are in the center of the action, they are in a state of total horror.

The lecture was followed by questions period.

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