

### Choir Singer's 50 Year Service To Be Observed

Waverly—Louis McKevitt of 10 Center St. here, will observe fifty years in St. Mary Church Choir when he sings Agnus Dei at Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. He is now director of the choir.

Midnight Mass will be offered in Thanksgiving for the half-century long and faithful service of Mr. McKevitt according to the Rev. George T. McCall, pastor.

When St. Mary School was opened in 1904 with Sister Aquinas as principal, Sister St. Edward was music teacher and she trained young McKevitt. On Christmas of that year when 11 years old, he sang Agnus Dei at the Midnight Mass.

McKevitt has sung in the choir every year since 1904. In 1918 when he was in the Navy in 1924 when his mother died and in 1937 when his father was called to his eternal reward.

Pastors at St. Mary's during those years were the Rev. James Harrington, the Rev. Coleman J. McLoughlin and Father McCall.

Organists for the past 10 years is Mrs. Betty McKevitt Stal. The director's daughter. Other organists were Mrs. Ethel Ricketts, Mrs. Catherine Hamilton Mahoney, Mrs. Mary Madigan, Mrs. Emma Cloutier, Mrs. Ann.

Mr. McKevitt has sung at Weddings, funerals, Masses and other church functions during the 50-year span of years.

Assistant Postmaster in Waterloo for 27 years, he retired in September of this year and now tells the "Sambo" branch at Waterloo National Bank.

He is the son of Mrs. Bridget Rooney and John McKevitt. His wife is the former Margaret Member of Ovid.

### Mass Employment Of Women Scored

Chicago, Ill. (AP)—Mass employment of women may have very unsound effect upon the home and family life, it was predicted here by a University of Chicago professor.

Many women have been urged to get a job, but the professor said in his lecture for more income, better homes, better cars and larger television sets, Dr. H. C. Close Hazenline said.

Named to head Joseph J. Meyer, secretary-treasurer of Newman Fund, has been appointed to the permanent board of trustees of the State University of New York.

### Danville Pastor Fete By Society



FIFTY ANNIVERSARY of pastor of St. Patrick Church, Danville, was marked at the Christmas party of the Altar and Rosary Society, Dec. 20. In photo (from left) Laura Fitzpatrick, president; Father O'Donnell, pastor; Mrs. Cecelia Fitzpatrick, treasurer; and Mrs. Hiland Hall, first vice president.

### Father O'Donnell Marks Birthday, 10th Anniversary

Danville—The Rev. John C. O'Donnell, pastor of St. Patrick's Parish, Danville, marked the celebration of his birthday and the tenth anniversary of his ordination.

Miss Laura Fitzpatrick was chairman, assisted by other officers of the society. A roast beef dinner was served and Christmas music was played.

Father O'Donnell was presented with a Christmas gift, a birthday gift and a cake. A social hour of cards followed. Prizes were won by Mrs. Norman Stenens and Mrs. Lloyd Mahoney.

Books Avia Club—Raymond F. Healy was elected president of the Automobile Club of Rochester in the Sheraton Hotel. Healy is secretary-treasurer of Edwards Healy, Inc.

### Christ In Christmas Poster Contest

Winners of a Christmas poster contest sponsored by the St. Rose of Lima Committee of the Elmira Ladies of Charity were announced recently.

The first place award of \$15 went to Antoinette Michalke, 12, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Michalke of 763 Harper St.

The winner is a seventh grade student of St. Cecilia School.

A second place award of \$10 was presented to Janice Mayshak, 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mayshak of 101 Bloomer Ave. She is an eighth grade student at St. Casimir School.

Judges were the Rev. L. Emmett Davis, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church; Ernest Anderson, Robert Nowicki, Clement Knuth and Miss Hesala Kroczyński.

The program was part of a campaign by the Ladies of Charity to "Put Christ Back Into Christmas."

### Annual Sweetheart Dance Planned By Fisher Club

Annual Sweetheart Dance of the St. John Fisher Club will be held on the Starlight Roof of the Sheraton Hotel on Saturday, Feb. 12 from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Pat Bassett and his orchestra will furnish the music.

The semi-formal dance has been an annual function of the club since its foundation several years ago as a means for young Catholic men and women of college age or over to meet for social, religious, educational and charitable functions.

EACH YEAR a "Sweetheart" is chosen to reign over the dance. Preliminary ballots are cast at the January dinner-dance at which time the girls with the highest number of ballots are chosen for the court. The "Sweetheart" is named the night of the dance from the girls in the court.

Paul Contestable, chairman, and Sylvia Zeller, co-chairman, have named the following committee chairmen: Robert Wisotzke and Rita Contestable, ticket sale; Eleanor Schwand, Sweetheart committee; Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Johnson, date bureau; Ellen Erabold, reception; Patricia Duffin and Raymond Gordiner, decorations; Bob Rubright and Jay Desmond, publicity.

Tickets are now available at \$3 a couple from Robert Wisotzke, 306 Durham St., Hopkins 1136, or Rita Contestable, 46 Furlong St., Hopkins 3918. Persons needing dates may contact Kirk or Mary Johnson, 68 Dunsmead Dr., Glenwood 777-R. All are invited and membership in the club is not essential.

### Nazareth Hall Cadets Present Christmas Play

The annual Christmas program of Nazareth Hall Cadet School was presented in the school auditorium Wednesday, Dec. 15.

The play "What Child Is This?" under the direction of Mrs. Jean Ann Brasser, was an original production, incorporating the work of the glee club and speech choir. The play, narrated by the speech students of the seventh and eighth grades, consisted mainly of tableau scenes depicting the Christmas story.

Selectors by the Nazareth Hall Band and Bugle and Drum Corps, under the direction of Wilfred Duquette, closed the evening's entertainment.

### Giant Christ Statue Overlooks Denver

Denver—(RNS)—Floodlighting of a giant statue of Christ overlooking Denver from the Shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini in Mt. Vernon Canon, west of here, was inaugurated in connection with the Christmas season.

The 33-ft. white marble statue, which was carved in Italy and shipped here in sections, will be visible for miles when it is lit up every night.

ANOTHER PROJECT inaugurated Christmas week was the 450 steps leading from the grotto of the shrine to the top of Mt. Sacred Heart, where the Christ statue stands with its hands outstretched toward Denver.

The shrine honors Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini, the first American citizen elevated to sainthood, who founded the Mt. Carmel School and "Queen of

### OWEGO CDA HONOR MEMBERS



MISS FRANCIS HOFMAN, (center) receives the orchid in the "Catholic Daughter of the Year" award from Mrs. Helen Knox, grand regent, Court of Rose of Lima, 24 annual Christmas dinner, Thursday night in Owego. Watchers are: (from left) Mrs. Anna Meade, (co-mistress) and Mrs. Mary McCormick, vice grand regent of Owego Court. (Tabba photo).

### Orchid Awarded Catholic Daughter Of The Year

Owego—The award of the orchid, the "Catholic Daughter of the Year" for 1954, went to Miss Frances Hofman, a ten-year member of Court St. Rose of Lima. The orchid

together with an appropriate citation, was presented by Mrs. Helen Knox, grand regent, at the annual Christmas dinner, held Thursday night at the Moose Home, Lake St. Ninety members and their guests attended.

The award is made by a committee whose identity is unknown to the court's membership, and is the result of a year's study of each individual's work in the interest of the organization.

The award, which was made this year for the second consecutive year, went to Miss Hofman who has been most loyal in attendance at meetings, faithful to the commitments assigned her, and outstanding adherence to the carrying out of the principles of the order.

Last year's award went to Mrs. Mary Mathewson, a charter member of the Women of the Moose. Favorable mention was given to Mrs. Frances Hofman, who has been most loyal in attendance at meetings, faithful to the commitments assigned her, and outstanding adherence to the carrying out of the principles of the order.

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