

## Abbot McGinley Listed To Speak At Forum

A spiritual flavor will be added to the Thomas More Lecture Forum on Tuesday, Jan. 18 when the Abbot of Our Lady of the Genesee Abbey, the Rt. Rev. Dom M. Gerard McGinley, O.C.S.O., explains the monastic life to the forum audience.

Scheduled for 8:15 p.m. in the Rochester Chamber of Commerce building, Abbot McGinley's address is entitled "The World's Progress and Prayer." The series is sponsored by the Catholic Courier-Journal. Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall is director of the forum.

The only abbot of the Trappist Order in New York State, he was blessed as abbot at solemn ceremonies in Sacred Heart Cathedral by His Excellency Bishop Kearney on Nov. 9, 1951. A native of Baldwin, W.L., he entered the Trappist Order in Kentucky in 1926.

**HE WAS ORDAINED** to the priesthood on Dec. 10, 1937. He received his Doctor of Canon Law degree from the University of Notre Dame in 1946 and was appointed first superior of the Monastery of Our Lady of the Genesee on Aug. 22, 1949.

After two years of preparation, he headed a small group of six monks who left the Kentucky Abbey and arrived in the Genesee Valley in May of 1951 to start the new foundation.

At a General Chapter of the Claretian Order held in September, 1853, in France, the New York State Monastery at Pittard was raised to the rank of an Abbey.

Father McGinley was elected first abbot of the community by the unanimous vote of his monks on Oct. 13, 1953 and was installed in his office on Oct. 15, following the confirmation of his election by the Abbot General in Rome.

The British prelate will speak on the triumph and growth of the Church in Great Britain today. During his stay in New York the Bishop will be guest of Dr. Maurice Leahy, chairman of the meetings of the Conference in Day of the Most Holy Name of St. John Fisher Church in Rochester, England, during the Mass and Benediction the dedication of the new church was built with funds gathered with the encouragement of His Excellency Bishop Kearney of Rochester, N.Y.

**WHILE IN THE UNITED STATES**, Bishop Cawdry will seek funds to restore his Cathedral in Southwell, the English town where he was born during the First World War.

Whether the English Bishop will visit Rochester on his visit to the United States is not known. However, Dr. Maurice Leahy, chairman of the meetings of the Conference in Day of the Most Holy Name of St. John Fisher Church in Rochester, England, during the Mass and Benediction the dedication of the new church was built with funds gathered with the encouragement of His Excellency Bishop Kearney of Rochester, N.Y.

**B. J. Vaillancourt To Attend Meeting**

A meeting of the Masters of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus has been called by Charles J. Conidine, vice admiral master of Covert Province, Washington, D.C.

The meeting will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 22 and 23 at the Hotel Statler in New York City.

Covert Province includes the State of New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. There are a total of 16 Masters representing this area.

Basil J. Vaillancourt, master of the Fifth New York District, comprising the Diocese of Rochester, will attend.

**Twelfth Nite Rites In Greece Parish**

Girl Scouts and Brownies of St. John's Greek-Orthodox Church, dressed in traditional observance of Twelfth Nite Epiphany, Jan. 6, in the school yard.

Volunteers of Greece-Ridge Fire Dept. were on hand to keep the blaze under control.

Father Frederick Bush concluded the program with a story explaining the significance of Epiphany.

Arrangements for the program, which included singing of Christmas carols and refreshments, were made by Mrs. Richard Snow.

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## Laymen's Tribute To Blessed Mary

ACTING IN BEHALF of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Laymen, His Excellency Bishop Kearney, the Rev. Joseph M. Conidine, vicar general, and the Bishop. (Thomas Casey Photo)

His Excellency Bishop Kearney will be honored guest at the banquet concluding the annual Convention of Monroe County Chapter, Catholic War Veterans and Auxiliaries on Sunday, Jan. 16 at Powers Hotel, according to Eugene Malarz, chairman.

Principal lay speaker at the banquet will be Joseph F. Frith, County Children's Court Judge, a member of Sacred Heart Cathedral parish and a veteran.

Convention sessions will open in the Powers ballroom at 1 p.m. with Stanley Fabinski of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Post, County Commander, presiding. Dennis Trusk will handle county auxiliary gavel as president.

Announcement will be made of the Outstanding Catholic Layman and Outstanding Catholic Laywoman of the Year as chosen by the Catholic Veterans organization and its auxiliary. Donald J. Foley is chairman of the award committee and of the convention reception committee.

**THE BANQUET** will start at 6:30 p.m. James E. Haffey will be master of ceremonies and Robert Bleier has charge of the banquet tickets.

Resolutions on topics affecting the members as veterans and as citizens will be handled by Chairman William T. Cronin, Past County Commander Armand LaMay is chairman of the nominating committee. Election of officers for the county posts is scheduled.

The Monroe County unit is expecting to have New York State Commander William Walzer of New York City as a guest with other state officers.

Thomas J. O'Connor of Sacred Heart Cathedral Post is handling publicity.

The awards for the outstanding layman and laywoman, a medal and a plaque respectively, will be presented at the annual Communion Breakfast of the county groups customarily scheduled on the first Sunday in Lent.

It is believed that Elmira is the first penal institution to have such a window in one of the first chapels inside prison walls.

**HIGH PRAISE** was rendered to Monsignor Lane in the Bulletin. It said in part:

"Monsignor Lane has most probably made many sacrifices to obtain this window for us and because he has stated this is his final contribution to the Chapel, I should like to take this opportunity to thank him on behalf of all the Catholic inmates here, for all he has given and done for us."

"Every year at this time it is customary for Father Lane's 'gang' to donate Christmas packages to those who do not receive them regularly. On behalf of those who have had a Merrier Christmas thanks to them and Monsignor Lane, we should like to say thank you. And we sincerely hope that you, Monsignor, will be around a great many more years to share in this happy and festive time of the year."

Instructions will be given by the Rev. Chester M. Kloese, assistant pastor. These talks are solely intended for non-Catholics.

To benefit fully from these lectures, supplementary literature will be distributed at no cost to all who pursue this course of study.

No fee or charge will be levied on those who attend these classes. After each lecture a question period will follow when the inquirer may address his question publicly to the instructor or privately to the priest in charge. Informality will be the keynote of the class.

**CLOTHING DRIVE UP FOR 1954** (Results on Page 11)

**Altar Society Plans Testimonial Banquet**

St. Helen's Altar Society will hold its annual testimonial banquet for retiring officers at the Sheraton Hotel on Wednesday, Jan. 12 at 6:30 p.m. The Very Rev. John F. Murphy, C.S.B., president of St. John Fisher College, will speak.

Mrs. Earl O'Connor is chairman and Mrs. Francis Mooney is toastmistress. Retiring officers are the Madames James Minnon, Raymond Taylor, Lawrence Greene, Charles Farone, and Clarence Avery.

New officers are: Madames Thomas Gilmar, president; Ernest Parett and Ruth Ackerman, vice presidents; Louis Kelly, secretary; and Willard Johnson, treasurer.

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## Bishop Kearney To Be Guest Of Catholic Vets' Convention

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## Rose Window Installed In Reformatory Chapel

A colorful rose window was installed in the chapel at the Elmira Reformatory in recent weeks. The window, installed directly above the altar, was the gift of the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Lane, chaplain.

## Second Rochester Priest Assists Cardinal Spellman

Chaplain (Rev.) Edward Grace, a Navy chaplain from Rochester, became the city priest to assist Msgr. Edward Cardinal Spellman, during the Cardinal's annual Christmas visit to the Elmira prison to N.C.W.C. Navy service.

The Mass was celebrated in the prison chapel, St. Michael's, U.S. Navy, at 10 a.m. on Dec. 25, and all the chaplains, Navy, Army and the civilian were invited to the Mass.

The Cardinal stayed overnight with the Navy and offered morning Mass about the altar. Princeton, Seven Chaplains attended including the chaplain and the city's commandant, Capt. John Alderman.

Father Grace was succeeded by Msgr. Edward J. O'Brien, Rochester, who succeeded him in the Navy.

## Historians Elect

### Prof. A. L. Abel

New York — (NC) Prof. Aaron L. Abel of the University of Notre Dame and a former professor at Nazareth College in Rochester, was elected president at the 35th annual meeting of the American Catholic Historical Association here.

Other officers elected were Prof. Oscar Haleck of Fordham University, first vice president; Dr. Dora J. Gunderson of Mercy College, Detroit, second vice president; Sister John Edward of Trinity College, Washington, and Sister Albertus Magnus McDermott of Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., members of the executive council.

The convention voted to hold its 36th annual meeting at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C. from Dec. 26 to 30, 1956. Dr. Donald Peattie of Georgetown University has been named chairman of the program committee. He will be succeeded by Father Matthias Kieras, O.M.I., managing editor of "The American Benedictine History," and Dr. Brian Tierney, assistant history professor at the Catholic University of America.

## Priest's Parents Mark Jubilee

Groton — Married at Holy Apostles' Church, Rochester, Jan. 3, 1885, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice A. Hayes celebrated their 60th anniversary here on Monday.

Following renewal of the marriage vows, they assisted at a High Mass of Thanksgiving offered at St. Anthony Church here by their son, Rev. William E. Hayes, pastor.

They were parishioners of St. Augustine Church from the time of its opening in 1888 until they left Rochester in 1934 to New Haven, Conn., where they have resided in Groton since 1940.

Mr. Hayes served as usher at St. Augustine's until he left Rochester. They have another son, Edward W. Hayes, 15 Church Place, Rochester, and three grandsons.

## Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Sunday, Jan. 9 — St. Ann's Home, Rochester.

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