

**Mercy Guild Members Honor Bishop**



ANNUAL LUNCHEON of Mercy Guild of the Little Flower held at the University Club honored His Excellency Bishop Kennedy shown here with Mrs. Elmer W. O'Brien (left) vice president, Mrs. Harold Windish, chairman and Mrs. James Malley, co-chairman.

**Mothers, Daughters Attend Breakfast in Mt. Morris**

Mt. Morris — More than 100 attended the mother and daughter Communion breakfast of St. Patrick Church at LaDella Hotel May 1 following the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Following the breakfast a program was held including vocalized Grace and Benediction. Selections by Miss Sandra Bellini, Miss Mary E. Beuchamp and toasts by daughters by Mrs. Anthony LaBarbara, Mrs. Carl Gail Smith and the tribute to Our Lady and the crowning of Our Lady. Several vocal selections were given by the entire group with Mrs. Nattus Laspeca accompanying.

Mrs. E. V. Esposito, a native of the Philippines, was guest speaker and her subject was "Our Lady in the Philippines". The Rev. Robert H. Fennessy, Rector of St. Patrick's, presided.

**Cusker, Curran Open Offices**

Engene R. Cusker and Arthur B. Curran, Jr., local attorneys, announced the formation of a partnership of Cusker & Curran and the relocation of their offices at Rooms 208-210 Exchange Building, 116 State St. Rochester.

Curran, a World War II Veteran was admitted to the Bar in 1950 after graduating cum laude from the University of Notre Dame College of Law. He served as law clerk to the U. S. District Court Judge Harold P. Burke (1948-1951).

Since that date he has been in private practice. He has served as secretary of Notre Dame Club of Rochester. He lives with his wife and four children at 203 Cobbs Hill Drive.

**To Offer Mass At Cornell U.**

Isaac — His Excellency Bishop Kennedy will offer a special Mother's Day Mass at 5 p.m. Sunday in Anabel Taylor Hall, Cornell University. Immediately following the Mass the Bishop will bless the children and their mothers.

A Communion supper will follow to be served in the One World Room, Anabel Taylor Hall.

**Evidence Library**

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By MRS. ARTHUR F. ENNIS

The oral book review has become increasingly popular as a form of entertainment at social gatherings but its original purpose—to interest an audience in reading the book or books—has been largely lost sight of.

A GOOD percentage of such reviews, including those by professional reviewers, are simply a kind of "listener's" digest. And magazine articles treat one from the burden of reading the entire article, so these "listener's" digests act as a substitute for the actual reading of the book.

Instead of a critical analysis of the author's style, character portrayal, etc., an account of his background, and a comparative reference to his other works, these reviews are no more than a page by page rendering of the story. There is no longer a necessity to read the book for those who like to wear their culture, they can get quite knowledgeable about it without ever opening the cover.

Quite different from this run of the mill reviewing was the perspective book "talk" which Mrs. L. L. Gibson gave at a tea recently held in the Catholic Evidence Library. She took us on a Cook's Tour of the library choosing at random books which had special appeal whether they were best-sellers or out-of-print editions. For, as she pointed out, we are all too concerned with concentrating on current literature.

THIS IS PARTLY the fault of those interested solely in the commercial distribution of books. Of the thousands of books published in general public libraries, only a very small percentage, what of the hundreds of others which may be equally or even more worth reading? And what top of this same "best-seller" when it is no longer in demand? Therefore, as Mrs. Gibson said, it would be wise for us to take a "new look" occasionally at some of our older books.

Among the titles which are especially noted in this ramble through the shelves, was "Loved Thee." After commenting on the author's background, she recited a particularly moving excerpt from the book which demonstrated Mrs. Mannin's descriptive powers and her ability to create living people.

CATHOLIC LITERATURE has been richly endowed by one name in particular, G. K. Chesterton. He, like Newman, will never be out of date. His orthodoxy, as Mrs. Gibson noted, is not one book but many, for every sentence constitutes a book in itself. He is a "best-seller" can't he be said?

A group of four all dealing with the home-and-family was also singled out for special mention. "All My Darlings," "Be Not Solicitous," "Mind the Baby," and "Your Family Circle." Though Mrs. Gibson disagreed in part with some of the authors' conclusions regarding the management of children, she recommended these generally as an excellent guide for the modern parent.

**DOMINICAN**



**THIRD ORDER**

St. Catherine of Siena Chapter, Third Order of St. Dominic, will meet with the newly appointed Director, the Rev. Henry Atwell, at Notre Dame Retreat House, 246 Alexander St., on Sunday, May 3 at 3:30 p.m.

**Waterloo C.D.A. Elects Officers**

Waterloo — Courtney Theresa, Catholic Daughters of America, elected the following officers at a business meeting held Monday, May 2 at the R. of C. Home: Mrs. Rose French, grand regent; Mrs. Sally Leach, regent; Mrs. Mary De John, president; Mrs. Clarissa Coggins, secretary; Mrs. Mary Kennedy, treasurer; Mrs. Frances Ireland, sentinel; Mrs. Gertrude Trainor, historian; Mrs. Laura Manfred, treasurer; Mrs. Cora Young, financial secretary; Mrs. Rose Hayes and Mrs. Josephine Neal, trustees.

**THE SETON GROUP TO HOLD MEETING**

Fifteenth Group of the Seton Workers of St. Mary Hospital will meet at 11 a.m. on Tuesday,

May 17, at the home of Mrs. Arthur B. O'Brien of Magee Ave.

Assisting the hostess will be Mrs. Theodore Olson, Mrs. Philip Yawman and Mrs. John Kammer.

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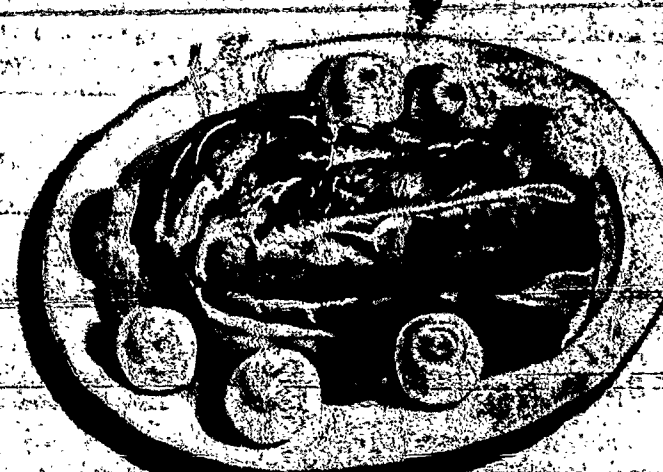
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