

Fisher Club Plans Dinner

St. John Fisher Club of Sacred Heart Cathedral will hold its monthly dinner meeting at the Cathedral school hall on Flower City Pl. on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Entertainment will be provided by William Bodenstainer and Miss Joan Stein, chairman of the dramatics committee. Music for dancing will be provided by Jack Schirmer and Miss Joan Nelson.

All Catholics of college age or over are welcome. Reservations must be made by Monday, Dec. 12 with Edward Gardland, 122 Bryan St. Cost of the dinner is \$1.50.

Arch Merrill's New Book

'White Woman Valley' Cites Trappists

BY STEVE FITZGERALD
Arch Merrill, insatiable explorer and chronicler of Western New York's history and legend, is at it again in 'The White Woman and Her Valley,' another informal sketch book in which he concentrates on his favorite Genesee Country.

This 14th book in a series that started a dozen years ago with 'A River Ramble' recently hit the counters of area bookshops and is reported to receive as popular a reception as any of its predecessors over a brief fortnight's sales test.

The veteran newspaperman, night city editor of the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle has made the fabulous Mary Terrell the central figure of his amiable return foray to the green and silent valley, retelling with his homespun lucidity the dramatic story of the white girl captive, who chose to live out her long life to the end—more Indian, as it were, than the once lordly Senecas themselves.

CATHOLICS of the Rochester Diocese, which embraces a large section of the territory Merrill has foraged in his inquisitive quest for fact and lore, will find special interest in the concluding chapter of this latest output of the indefatigable Genesee Country Rambler.

It is devoted to 'The Cowled Farmers' and tells the story of the founding and brief history of the growing Trappist-Cistercian Abbey of Our Lady of the Genesee, 12th monastery of the



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contemplative order established in North America and the first in the Empire State.

The author was impressed by the contrast of encountering the silent community of monks "a little corner of the Old World," occupying the "familiant Genesee Valley of the fox-hunting squires." He recounts his kind reception by the late Right Rev. M. G. E. R. McGinley, who brought him up to date on what data he wished to get for his forthcoming book.

"Only 10 days before he sail-

ed," writes Merrill, "I had talked with him in his tiny, cluttered office where he worked and slept. It was my first meeting with Father Gerard and my first visit to the abbey.

"THAT DAY the slender, smiling, 49-year-old Abbot spoke with almost boyish enthusiasm of his coming trip abroad. He told of his plans, already well advanced, for a fine, new monastery beside the Genesee. He planned to visit monasteries in the Old World and gather some ideas.

"He said he hoped that ground would be broken for the new structure at Piffard within two years and that it could be completed within five years. At that time the actual site of the new monastery had not been selected. Now others must carry out his dream.

MERRILL CONCLUDES his new book with these final paragraphs:

"The monks take their place at the end of a long line of historical settlers—the Senecas, the white pioneers handy with axe and gun; the landed gentry, the emigrants who dug the canals and built the railroads, peoples of many bloods and many bloods and many ways.

"The Trappists have brought to the manly-landed life of the Genesee still another way of life. In one corner of the old Indian valley the clock has been turned back and a bit of the Old World and the Middle Ages lives again."

Frank Ventura Requiem Mass Offered By Son

Funeral services for Frank C. Ventura, father of the Rev. Genaro J. Ventura, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, were held at the Roccone Funeral Home, 850 Plymouth Ave. North and in Holy Apostles Church, Tuesday, Dec. 6.

Mr. Ventura, 68, of 450 Lyell Ave., former musician and a Rochester barber for 42 years, died Saturday, Dec. 3, 1955 after several months' illness.

His Excellency Bishop Kearney offered the absolution at services in the Church.

Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated by Father Ventura assisted by the Rev. Charles J. Azzi, deacon and the Rev. George V. Fredmore, subdeacon.

Inter-Sanctuary were also the Rt. Rev. Magr. Richard K. Burns and the Very Rev. Magr. Dennis W. Hickey.

Mr. Ventura had a barber shop at the Lyell Ave. address. He was a member of the Journeyman Barbers Association. He was one of the founders of the Marist Elms Society and was a member of the Holy Name Society of Holy Apostles Parish of which he was a parishioner for 38 years. Some years ago he was a member of the Lampham and Antiochian bands.

Born in Italy, he had resided here since he was 11. He attended the old Cathedral Grammar School.

Besides his priest-son, Father Genaro, he is survived by his wife, Mary; another son, Joseph F.; three daughters, Mrs. Raymond Knausdorf, Mrs. Raymond Chinappi, Mrs. Ralph Antonino; his father, Joseph Ventura; one brother, Anthony and five sisters, Mrs. Salvatore Mitrano, Mrs. Charles Mitrano, Mrs. Anthony Luccese of Hamlin, Mrs. Francis Camillo, Mrs. Mary Salimano, and nine grandchildren.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Prests also attending were: the Reverend Fathers Joseph T. Gaynor, Leo E. Lynch, Daniel V. Hogan, Elmer W. Heindl, Joseph L. Hogan, Ignatius St. George, John E. Roach, Bernard F. Dolan, Michael J. Tydings, John S. Whalen, W. Darcy Bolger, William J. Ayers, Richard J. Orlando, Frank Valukевич, Raymond M. Wuest.

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Reverend Fathers James J. Marvin, Leo F. Smith, Sebastian Conterglaomo, C.P.P.S., Dominic Moeckevich, Christian Schornbr, O.F.M., Cap. Charles A. Bernett,

Rites Held For Priests' Brother

The funeral of William Malley, brother of two priests took place at the Thomas F. Trott Funeral Home, 683 Main St. East and St. Augustine Church on Wednesday, Dec. 7.

Mr. Malley of 1166 Norton St. died at St. Mary Hospital on Dec. 5, 1955.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by one brother, the Rev. Eugene R. Malley, C.S.B., of Toronto, assisted by the Rev. John D. Malley, another brother, deacon, and the Rev. Mr. James G. Malley, a nephew, subdeacon.

In the Sanctuary were the Rt. Rev. Magr. Charles F. Shay and the Rt. Rev. Magr. John M. Duffy.

Prests also attending were the Reverend Fathers Robert L. Kress, Arthur E. Raligan, W. Darcy Bolger, Austin B. Hanna, John S. Whalen, Charles J. McCarthy, John P. Norris, J. R. Rayber, W. Oscar Regan, C.S.B., Robert A. Keleher, Francis M. Feeney, Richard G. Stanton, Joseph P. Maloney.

Also the Reverend Fathers Leonard A. Kelly, Francis H. Vogt, Richard C. O'Connell, Francis A. Kiehammer, Paul I. Cloonan, Leo B. Smith, Walter E. Fleming, Francis E. Donoghue, and Albert V. Ryan.

Americans Adopt Japanese Orphans

Yokohama, Japan — (NC) — More than 50 of the children of Japanese-American parentage that were cared for at Our Lady of Lourdes Baby Home here the past year and have already been taken to their new homes in the United States.

Besides his two priest brothers, Father John, pastor of St. Joseph Church, Penfield and Father Eugene of St. Basil Seminary, Toronto, he is survived by his wife Helen; one daughter, Ann Marie; two other brothers, James S., and Robert; one sister, Mrs. Robert Young, several nieces and nephews.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Josephine Logan Requiem Conducted

Funeral services for Josephine M. Logan, 360 Brooks Ave., were held Nov. 29 from the Joseph A. Murphy Funeral Home and at Immaculate Conception Church.

The Very Rev. Msgr. John S. Randall offered the Mass, with the Rev. Edward Zimmerman as deacon and the Rev. George Wood, subdeacon. Blessing at the grave was given by the Rev. Bartholomew Quirk.

Bearers were Frank J. G. Connor, Alex. Dietrich, Walter Maxwell, James Spillane, William Spillane and James Hogan.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Mary E. Nolan and Mrs. Ella A. Tighe.

Requiem Rites Held For Mrs. Sutherland

Services for Adelaide M. Sutherland were held from the Joseph A. Murphy Funeral Home and St. Augustine Church on Nov. 30. She was the widow of Alexander J. Sutherland and lived with a daughter, Mrs. Timothy Donoghue at 312 Chilli Ave.

Another daughter, Mrs. James Smith of Trenton, N. J., survives. Bearers were Patrick Reilly, Oliver Kane, Jerome Welby, Earl Farrell, Reginald Masters and Barley Masters.

Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

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Missionaries To Benefit From CWV Social Evening

St. Augustine Post, Catholic War Veterans, will have a social evening at the Columbus Civic Center on Thursday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m. The event will be held in the auditorium off Leavenworth Street. The social evening is being conducted to secure funds in order to send a substantial cash Christmas gift to five missionaries who have left for the foreign mission field within the past two years.

THE MISSIONERS who are to be remembered are the Reverend Fathers Gilbert J. Deritts, M.M., Peru; James A. Weckesser, M.M., Bolivia; Michael Kavanagh, S.J., India; James Courneen, M.M., Bolivia.

Tickets are available through members of the post and auxiliary members of the missionary's family, members of St. Augustus Society, and will also be available at the Holy Name Society meeting Sunday and in the church office.

All are welcome.

College Group Plans 'Around World' Party

"Christmas Around the World" is the theme of a party to be held by the International Relations Club of Nazareth College on Saturday, Dec. 10 from 7 to 10 p.m. in the college social room.

Highlight of the affair, to which members of the International Relations Clubs of St. John Fisher College and the Rochester Institute of Technology have been invited, will be a program of literature and music from foreign lands. Readings will include poems from Vergil, Scandinavian stories, and a song of the American Indian. They will all carry the Christmas theme. Between readings, vocal and instrumental selections will be given.

Carols will be sung and refreshments, including cookies from foreign countries, will be served.

General chairman is Thelma Carroll; assistant chairman is Kay Gordon; committee chairman are: Anisia Kocyc, entertainment; Betty Boyle, refreshments; and Mary Ann Barletta, invitations.

Services Offered For Agnes Reed

Requiem Mass was offered for Agnes G. Reed, 146 Lezier St., at St. Augustine Church on Dec. 2 following services at the Joseph A. Murphy Funeral Home, The Rev. Walter Fleming offered the Mass.

She was a member of the Rosary Society at St. Augustine's. Survivors are two sons, Harry and Elmer Reed; three sisters, Mrs. Edward Byrne, Mrs. William Carey and Mrs. Richard Carey; three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Bearers were Harry Dunn, Arthur Henderson, James Hill and William Blum. The Rev. Bartholomew Quirk gave the blessing at the grave.

Head Geneva Knights Of Columbus

Michael McDonald, seated right center is the Grand Knight of Geneva Council, Knights of Columbus. Other officers are: standing (from left) Chris Dewald, financial secretary; Joseph Galliano, outside guard; Paul Lynch, trustee; Anthony Pieroni, warden; Dr. Jess Walker, treasurer; Charles Hamill, trustee; Thomas Gallagher, assistant warden; James Gulman, lecturer; seated (from left) Edward Mulcahy, Jr., John Murray, John Mahoney, district deputy; Grand Knight McDonald, the Rev. William H. Hickey and Michael Simone. (P. B. Oakley)

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