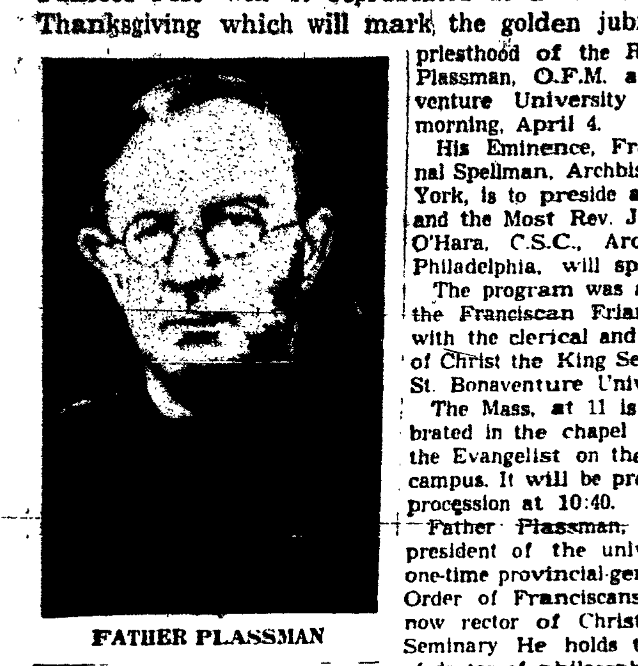
Father Plassman To Mark Golden Jubilee

Corning — Large parish delegations of this city and Painted Post will be represented at a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving which will mark the golden jubilee of the priesthood of the Rev. Thomas Plassman, O.F.M. at St. Bonaventure University Wednesday morning, April 4.



FATHER PLASSMAN

His Eminence, Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, is to preside at the Mass; and the Most Rev. John Francis O'Hara, C.S.C., Archbishop of Philadelphia, will speak.

The program was arranged by the Franciscan Friars, together with the clerical and lay alumni of Christ the King Seminary and St. Bonaventure University.

The Mass, at 11 is to be celebrated in the chapel of St. John the Evangelist on the university campus. It will be preceded by a procession at 10:40.

Father Plassman, a former president of the university and one-time provincial-general of the Order of Franciscans Minor, is now rector of Christ the King Seminary He holds the degrees of doctor of philosophy and doctor of literature

Fol ing the Mass of Thanksgiving, he will be honored at a dinner in the Alexander Hickey Memorial dining hall at the university.

Cab Drivers Plan Shrine For Patrons

Worcester, Mass. (NC) The Worcester Taxicab Owners and Drivers Association is sponsoring the erection of a shrine to St. Christopher, patron of travelers, on busy Route 110 here.

The shrine will be located at the grounds of the newly established St Christopher's Church and will have drive-in facilities for passing motorists.

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Library To Reopen, Lists New Books

St. Christopher Library, corner of State and East Church Streets will reopen on Wednesday, April 4 at 1:30 p.m. after the Holy Week closing.

The library is introducing the Vision Books for juveniles. Vision Books are an exciting new series of accurate, action-filled biographies, designed to acquaint youngsters from 9 to 15 with the lives of great Catholic Saints, martyrs and lay figures.

They are as follows:

St. Therese and the Roses, by Helen Walker Homan.

Father Marquette and the Great River, by August Derleth.

St. Francis of the Seven Seas, by Albert J. Nevins.

Mary is Our Mother, by F. R. Boschvogel.

FOR ADULT reading the following new books have been added to the shelves:

Bernardine Realino, by Francis Sweeney, S.J.

St. John Fisher, by E. E. Reynolds.

All Manner of Men, by Riley Hughes.

One Shepherd, One Flock, by Oliver Barres.

Retreat from Learning, by Joan Dunn.

The Pope, by Constantine, Prince of Bavaria.

The Psalms, . . With Introduction, by Mary Perkins Ryan.

Meditations Before Mass, by Romano Guardine.

In Soft Garments, by Ronald Knox.

Holy Week Rites Explained To Corning Group

Corning — The Rev. Benedict Ehmann, pastor of the St. Mary of the Lake Church, Watkins Glen, speaking at a meeting of the Women's Catholic Action Society of St. Vincent de Paul Church, said that Holy Week rites as now constituted make possible much more active participation, including response to the chant and prayers of the celebrant.

Father Ehmann compared the Holy Week rites to the perfection of glass, "in as much as we can see clearly through a perfect lense, so now we will see clearly and understand the full meaning of the Holy Week Liturgy."

MISS VIVIAN DELL, resident, announced that women of the society are starting a lending library and urged members to bring to the April meeting Catholic publications, including papers, magazines and books, which they desire to donate.

The committee was comosed of Mrs. Mary Kerwan and Mrs. Ann McCarthy, chairman and cochairman, Mrs. Edith Bird, Mrs. Catherine Costa, Mrs. Caroline Faulisi, Mrs. Rose Faulisi, Mrs. Lena Faulisi, Mrs. Dorothy Kuss, Miss Alice McCloskey, Miss Ann McGuire and Mrs. Agnes O'Connell.

Ladies Of Columbus Slate Card Party

Chairmen and their committees have been named for Elmira Ladies of Columbus card party to be held Tuesday, April 3 at 8 p.m. at Columbus Center.

Mrs. James P. O'Leary is ticket chairman. Assisting here are the Mesdames William O'Donnell, Louis Lauferswaller, Joseph Gorski, Edward Frawley, Leo Sonko, Ronald Armstrong, Justin Romasser, James D'Andrea, Paul Szymanski, Edward Ruhmel, Henry Farrell, and Edward Lezyk.

Refreshments: Mrs. Francis Crowley; table prizes: Mrs. Frank Bellgotti; door: Mrs. Paul Szymanski.

Hostesses are requested to furnish cards for their tables.

SACRED HEART MEN'S SOCIETY of St. Anthony Church, Elmira at Communion Breakfast Sunday had in principal roles of breakfast program among others: Adolph A. Circulli, co-chairman with Samuel A. LeMark; the Rev. William A. Burns, pastor and Attorney Anthony B. Cieri, guest speaker.

150 Men Participate In Palm Sunday Rites

More than 150 members of the Sacred Heart Men's Society of St. Anthony Parish held their annual Palm Sunday observance by reception of Holy Communion in a body at the 8:30 a.m. Mass last Sunday.

Following Mass, a Communion breakfast was served at Mustico's Restaurant.

Rev. William A Burns, pastor, paid tribute to the men for their attendance at Mass and Communion and urged their continued support of the parish activities.

ATTORNEY ANTHONY B. CIARI, guest speaker, commended the Society members for their unswerving loyalty to their parish, urged them to continue to band together so that they may go forward in all the needs of their rapidly expanding parish.

The speaker cited the many attainments of position achieved by the Italian boys of Elmira and congratulated them for their enterprise. In pointing out the evils of Communism, Cieri asked his listeners to write to their relatives and friends in Italy, exhorting them to remain staedfast in her war against the forces that would destroy our religous freedom and Our American way of life.

Adolph A. Cirulli presented those at the speakers table and the guests present.

Notre Dame High Notes

by GERALD BROWN

Last Sunday afternoon, the students of Notre Dame High School, Elmira, opened a three day retreat with the Very Rev. John F. Murphy, C.S.B., president St. John Fisher Club as retreat master. The program began with an outline of the purposes of retreats and explaining the many ways the student could receive graces and indulgences during the retreat.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament followed after which confessions were heard.

There were four conferences on Monday followed by Benediction.

On Tuesday, besides two regular conferences, Father Murphy gave two special conferences, one for the boys and one for the girls.

After the final conference, Father Murphy gave the Apostolic Blessing to the retreatants.

Chinese Jesuit Jailed By Reds

Hong Kong — (NC) — Father Matthias Hsioh, S. J., has been arrested by Chinese communist police, according to reports reaching here.

His arrest brings the number of Chinese Jesuits in Red jails to 46. There are also four American Jesuits imprisoned in China. They are, Fathers Thomas Phillips of Butte, Mont.; Charles McCarthy of San Francisco, John W. Clifford of San Francisco, and John A. Houle of Glendale, Calif.

Elmira Catholic Church League

St. Anthony's				**A O H #3**			
Kabalini	179	221	126	Sullivan	132	144	182
Riley	118	119	146	Kennell	118	181	125
Nilson	188	168	115	O'Leary	218	77	188
Coral	148	168	169	Burns	126	181	140
Lucci	192	178	170	O'Brien	109	223	177
Hdcp	185	185	185	Hdcp	166	166	166
	912	1029	911		926	905	947
St. Patrick's #2				**St. Patrick's #1**			
Horan	162	127	127	Sheehe	218	142	187
Hevling	157	162	156	Kalafut	146	201	181
Savlap	164	138	145	Sullivan	128	188	161
Brant	124	106	128	Kerwan	186	158	139
Caprice	162	199	201	Ryll	198	151	182
Hdcp	159	159	159	Hdcp	107	107	107
	944	948	916		972	945	917
A O H #1				**St. Cecilia's**			
Gaylin	130	131	176	Murray	210	184	180
Clark	180	121	160	Clune	144	158	150
Powell	176	187	171	Sheahan	166	120	122
Sullivan	144	188	149	O'Brien	120	185	155
Seaman	131	150	151	Brown	181	186	139
Hdcp	175	175	175	Hdcp	153	151	153
	907	941	982		974	984	900

Elmira Area Deaths

The following deaths were reported in the Elmira area during the past week:

Florence J. Sullivan, 72, of 210½ W. Hudson St., Wednesday, March 21, 1950. He was Elmira's first city manager. Survived by wife, Mrs. Frances E. Sullivan; half-brother, Thomas Frank Toomey of San Diego, Calif.; niece, Mrs. Philip Leddy of New York City; nephews, J. Bernard and Florence Toomey and Benjamin L. Flynn Sr., all of Elmira, Cornelius Donahue of New York City. Body was at Frank O'Dea Funeral Home. Prayer service there Saturday. Solemn High Requiem Mass in St. Peter and Paul Church. St. Peter and Paul Cemetery.

Rudolf (Alex) Rice, 77, of 1450 Grand Central Ave., Wednesday, March 21, 1956. He was engaged as a carpenter; communicant of St. Casimir Church; member White Eagles Society. Survived by wife, Mrs. Mary Rice; sons, Samuel, Paul, Francis and Nicholas of Elmira and John of Breesport; daughters, Mrs. Julius Fenn, Mrs. Mildred Graham and Mrs. Rose Ryan, all of Elmira; 23 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. Body was at James D. Barrett Funeral Home. Prayer service there Saturday. Solemn High Requiem Mass at St. Casimir Church. St. Peter and Paul Cemetery.

John Rogers of 1500 North St., Endicott, formerly of Elmira, Friday, March 23, 1956. Survived by sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Lyon of St. Marys, Pa.; several nieces and nephews, a number of whom reside in Elmira. The body was at the Justin T. McCarthy Funeral Home. Prayer service there Monday followed by Requiem High Mass in St. Patrick Church. St. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Elmira.

Indian Boys Participate In Court Tourney

Arapahoe Indian boys who were guests of the Marquette League during the Rochester Mission Scenerama participated in the Catholic All-Indian Basketball Tournament at Rapid City on March 10-11.

An annual event, sponsored by the Marquette League it is one of the most exciting events of the Northwest sports world. Besides the Arapahoes from Wyoming's St. Stepehen's there were four teams from South Dakota Sioux mission schools, and a team from Montana's Northern Cheyenne mission school.

The traveling trophy was captured by the Marty Braves from St. Paul's Sioux school. The Stephans, from the Immaculate Conception school, another Sioux school held the trophy for five successive years, losing by only one point in the 1956 contest.

Monsignor Bernard Cullen, director of the Marquette League, a sponsor of the Tournament, announced that the League would sponsor an All-Indian Track Meet, its first event scheduled for May 5 next in Rapid City.

Columban Fathers

St. Columbans, Nebr. — (NC) Twenty-six Columban Fathers have been assigned to mission posts in the Orient. In making this announcement Father Timothy Connolly, superior general, disclosed that a total of 388 Columbans are working in Korea, go to Korea, nine to the Philippines, China, Philippines, Burma, the Fijis and South America. Of the new appointments, 11 will pines and six to Japan.

100 Sought For Laymen's Retreat League

Corning — Efforts to enroll an additional 10 members to attend the Laymen's Retreat in April at Rochester is being made, William M. Cassidy, area chairman, announced.

Nearly 60 from the eastern section of Steuben County have registered to attend, it was stated by 20 laymen who met at the Knights of Columbus Home here Sunday afternoon when three officers of the Bishop's Laymen's Retreat League in Rochester spoke.

LEO B. JOHNSON, Diocesan League president, Patsy Cascino, vice-president, and George H. Tunney secretary, told of the facilities offered at the Notre Dame Retreat House in Rochester where it will be held on April 20-22. They also discussed the progress of the retreat movement.

Representatives of Corning and Painted Post Catholic parishes, and Addison, Bath and Hammondsport churches were present Sunday when they submitted reports on their efforts to enroll men for the three-day event. The retreat will open at 8 p.m. on April 20 and continue until about noon on April 22. An attendance of 100 from the area is sought, Cassidy said.

This area is composed of three parishes in Corning — St. Patrick, St. Mary and St. Vincent De Paul and churches in Painted Post, Addison, Bath and Hammondsport.

Nursing Student Services Offered

Nancy Lee Dannaker, 20, of 1044 Franklin St. Williamsport, Pa. died Sunday, March 25, 1956 following a brief illness. She was the daughter of Mr. William Danneker of Williamsport.

Miss Danneker was a senior student at St. Joseph Hospital School of Nursing, Elmira and would have graduated May 27. She entered the School of Nursing in September, 1953 after graduating from St. Joseph High School, Williamsport.

Survived by her father; sister, Colleen Danneker of Williamsport; brothers, Donald of New Jersey and Edward of Williamsport.

Requiem High Mass Wednesday, March 28 at Annunciation Church, Williamsport, where she was a communicant. Burial was in Mt. Carmel, Pa. Cemetery.

The Senior Class of which Miss Danneker was a member attended the funeral services in uniform acting as an honor guard.

Postwar Church Dedicated In Seoul

Seoul, Korea — (NC) — The ninth postwar Catholic church was dedicated here recently and two other Catholic churces are nearing completion in this city, which was occuped twice by the communists and fought over five times in the Korean war.

Bishop Paul M. Ro, Vicar Apostolic of Seoul, officiated at the opening of the new St. Therese's Church here. The Bishop thanked U. S. servicemen who helped to reconstruct churches in his vicariate.

The new churches replace ones destroyed or damaged during the hostilities and Red occupation. Five of the churches serve new parishes erected since the end of the war.

Pre-Cana Conference Planned In Corning

Corning — Plans for a Pre-Cana Conference for engaged couples and others who have been married up to one year were announced last week.

The program was set up at a meeting of the Family Life and Parent Education Committee of the Corning District, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, of which Mrs. Philip Granman is district president and the Rev. James Slattery, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church, is moderator.

The conference will be held at the Baron Steuben Hotel on four consecutive Sunday afternoons, beginning April 15 and concluding on May 6.

THE FIRST and last Conference will be conducted by members of the clergy, the second by two physicians and the third by a panel of four married couples.

The Rev. Hugh Brady, assistant pastor of St. Mary Church and moderator of the Conference, issued invitations not only to Corning area couples but to eligible couples from Addison, Bath, Watkins Glenn and Elmira.

Serving on the committee with Mrs. Gorman are:

Mrs. Walter Lee Poland, Mrs. Charles Goliber, representing St. Patrick Church; Mrs. Charles Houston and Mrs. Joseph Dailey, representing St. Vincent Church; Mrs. Charles Parker and Mrs. Edward Griffin, representing the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary; Mrs. Raymond Older and Mrs. Edwin Illig, representing St. Mary Church.

Rites Offered For Three In Corning Area

Services were offered for three Corning area residents during the past week. They are:

Savona — Requiem Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, March 21, 1956, for Mrs. Irene O'Donnell, 80, who died at the Reed Nursing Home in Bath, the previous Saturday. She was born Jan. 5, 1876, and was the widow of William O'Donnell.

The Rosary was recited at the Fagan funeral home in Bath on Tuesday evening, and the Rev. S. H. Bialaszewski was celebrant for the Requiem Mass in St. Joseph Church, Campbell. Burial was in the St. Mary Cemetery, Corning.

She is survived by a brother, Lafayette Buckley, Savona, and two nephews, Warden Buckley, Savona, and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edmund Britt of Buffalo.

Bath — The family of Mrs. Suzie Ligocki of Bath RD, who died Friday, March 23, 1956, received friends at the Fagan funeral home where the Rosary was recited Sunday evening.

The Rev. S. H. Bialaszewski was celebrant for Requiem Mass Monday morning in St. Stanislaus Church, Bradford. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Bath.

Corning — The Rev. William Cannan, pastor of St. Patrick Church, this city, officiated Tuesday, March 22 at funeral services for Frank J. Cunningham. Services were held at the Poland funeral home, followed by Requiem Mass at St. Patrick Church and burial in St. Mary Cemetery.

Bearers were Wallace Shellman, Edward Warunek, John Kapral, Curtis White, Francis Crowe and John Stack.

Mr. Cunningham, 59, former manager of the A&P Store in Corning, died in his Miami, Fla., home on Sunday, March 18, 1956.

He had been in ill health for several months. Mr. Cunningham had been in the grocery business at Miami for the past 12 years.

He was born June 6, 1896, in Corning, the son of the late Patrick and Mary Murphy Cunningham of Corning, and had lived here most of his life.

He was a member of the Jesuit Church at Miami. In Corning he had been a member of St. Patrick Church.

Mr. Cunningham is survived by two sisters, Miss Irene Cunningham, Corning and Mrs. Catherine Toohey of Buffalo; four nehews, Robert Rhode and Gerald Rhode at Corning, and James and Vincent Cunningham of Painted Post; a niece, Mrs. Robert Breuilly of Corning, and several nieces and nehews at Buffalo.

Governor Of Malta

Vatican City —(NC)—Sir Robert Laycock, Governor of Malta, was received in private audience by Pope Pius XII. He was accompanied on his visit by James Utley, attache at the British legation to the Holy See.

Annual Dinner Set In Elmira

Members of St. John the Baptist Sodality and Altar Society, Elmira will hold their annual dinner on Monday evening April 9 at 6:30 p.m. in D'Trix Restaurant on Grand Central Ave.

Miss Agnes Zabeck and Miss Margaret Kennedy cochairmen will be assisted by these committees: reservation, Mesdames Leon J. Harrington, Samuel A. DeRenzo, Fred S. Rehwinkle, Warren G. Howland, Joseph W. Kelly, Joseph F. Fisher and Joseph C. Schiefen; program, Mrs. John E. Bacon, Mrs. Leon Ross and Miss Grace E. Miller; decorations, Mrs. Mary Karl, Mrs. Joseph P Grabowski and Mrs. Frieda Henry; publicity, Mrs. Thomas P. Rohde and Mrs. Charles F Ruhmel.

Reservations may be made with the committee.

Memorial Art Gallery

The Memorial Art Gallery will be open to the public on Easter Sunday, April 1. The special exhibition for children, "How's It Made?" will be on view in the lower corridor.

Population Figures

Georgetown, British Guiana — (NC)—Statistics for the Vicariate Apostolic of British Guiana and Bargados show a Catholic population of 66,152 out of an estimated total population of 680,000 for the two territories.

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