

Educators Address Annual Conferences Held By St. Joseph, Mercy Sisters

Second annual educational conference of the Sisters of Mercy and the Sisters of St. Joseph were held on Tuesday. Sisters of St. Joseph assembled at Nazareth Academy and the Mercy Sisters at Our Lady of Mercy High School.

Sisters of St. Joseph

The Rev. Thomas F. Gavin, S.J., of the Canisius College faculty, sounded a note of hope in the key address delivered at the second annual Educational Conference of the Sisters of St. Joseph at Nazareth Academy on Tuesday.

"We are closer to world peace than at any other time since the Roman Empire," Father said. "We have all the countries of the world pouring money, talents and energies into an effort to bring about peace and to maintain peace. One of the most heartening things is the effective action of the United Nations in the present outbreak."

Father Gavin maintained, however, that although we are living in an age of scientific progress, educational development and material wealth we are living in an age before a giant giant of our own making, the lack of deep-seated religious conviction.

Educators have the big job of firing students with a desire to share their Catholic religion. "American youngsters," Father believes, "will respond to a request to help others. Properly directed, youth will eagerly react to this major need of enlightening those who live in darkness."

"THE RECENT outbreak in Hungary," Father added, "demonstrates that the human spirit will never be smothered by bullets. This should be an inspiration to us to share Truth with those who have no certainty, no Mass, no sacraments, no priesthood, with those who do not know why they are here, or where they are going."

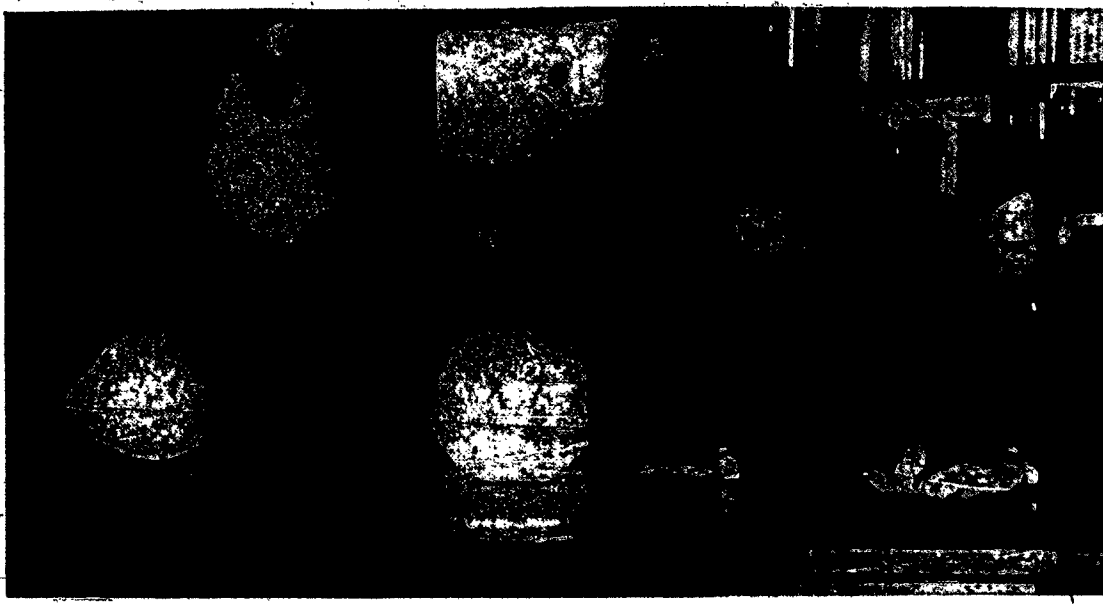
In his second talk, "Preparing the Adolescent Girl for Womanhood," Father stressed the necessity of building up confidence in youth by setting up ideals that can be achieved.

"Give them a motive for doing hard things. They want to do the difficult. This satisfies their urge to be important. Extracurricular activities give opportunity for productive creative accomplishments."

Father Gavin also cited the importance of ideal comradeship between parents and children. He said it is important for parents to frequently recreate with their children and to provide social situations where boys and girls can get together under proper circumstances neither stuffy nor too Puritanically restricted.

THE SPEAKER'S advice to teachers was to hold up sound, rational ideals as basis for faith. Do not make religion synonymous with martyrdom. Show them that religion is important in their everyday occurrences in their lives. Make them feel that God is a real person."

Dr. D. Lincoln Canfield of the University of Rochester spoke on



PANEL DISCUSSION at the Sisters of Mercy community conference held Tuesday at Our Lady of Mercy High School had as participants, from left, Sister M. Julia, Holy Family School, Auburn; Sister M. Bonaventure, Our Lady of Mercy High School; Sister M. Raphael, principal of Notre Dame High School, Elmira; The Rev. Richard Torney, chaplain at Mercy; Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles V. Boyle, diocesan superintendent of schools; and the Rev. Joseph F. Hogan, chaplain at Notre Dame High.

A Modern Approach in Language Instruction. From Linguistic Studies Research Dr. Canfield concluded that language is concerned with human invention, communication with fellowmen, social custom, and practical arts.

"Spoken language is real," said Dr. Canfield; written language is representation. Human invention looks to the future, social customs to the past. Through language we are constantly inventing and changing things."

Mr. Robert McGregor, Associate in Science Education, and Miss Helen Whitaker of Social Studies division spoke on current trends in their respective fields in the State Education Department. Their talks covered curriculum development, rating of examination papers with specific reference to accuracy of statement, definite answers and basic facts, bibliographies, slides, film concepts; and department aids: roundups and planning guides.

"SOCIAL AND economic values have shaken the framework of family life," stated Miss Margaret Kenney, principal of Public School No. 4. Often mothers and fathers have full time jobs outside the home; formerly raising a family was a full-time job. Sisters of St. Joseph, teachers in the Elementary and Secondary Schools in the diocese, participated in panels in the fields of mathematics and English.

Sisters of Mercy

More than 300 Sisters of Mercy convened at Our Lady of Mercy High School Tuesday, November 13 for the 2nd Annual Community Institute. Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles V. Boyle, Superintendent of Schools, opened the session with the holy sacrifice of the Mass. Following the Mass, diplomas were awarded to the six Sister Graduates of the Catherine McAuley Junior College.

Rev. Alphons Malone, C.S.B., professor of Educational Psychology at St. John Fisher College and the U. of R., gave the key-

PARENT-TEACHER Relationships in Elementary School was the topic of Miss Margaret Kenney, shown above, in her address to Sisters of St. Joseph at a community conference Tuesday at Nazareth Academy. Also shown is Sister M. Jamesetta, chairman.

Dr. Richard Torney, a panel for high school teachers and Catherine McAuley. On the afternoon program, Rev. Martin Marnon, English professor at Little Seminary in Buffalo, addressed the entire group on the Art of Oral Expression.

Secondary school teachers attended a sectional meeting in the library presided over by Father Malone who spoke on the Teenage Potentialities. Our Challenge. Father Richard Torney, Chaplain of Mercy High School and Father Joseph Hogan, Chaplain of Notre Dame High School, Elmira were discussion leaders in

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KC Member Drive Sets 200 Goal

A drive for new members has been started by Rochester Council 178 of the Knights of Columbus according to Deputy Grand Knight Francis J. Thomas, chairman. The council has set a goal of 200 new members for the campaign.

A FIRST AND second degree ceremony is scheduled to take place on Sunday, Nov. 25, for the first group of prospective candidates. Additional degree ceremonies will be scheduled to accommodate other groups during the membership drive, according to Thomas.

Rochester Council was chartered in 1896 and now has a membership of approximately 1300 headed by Grand Knight Donald E. Woerner. The council is located in the Columbus Civic Center building on Chestnut St.

Persons interested in joining should contact the K. of C. office in person or by phone at BAker 5-3983.

College Staffs Listed At McQuaid

The Fathers' Club of McQuaid Jesuit High School will hold its second meeting of the year on Monday, Nov. 19, at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Main feature of this meeting will be addresses by representatives of St. John Fisher College, Canisius College, and LeMoyne College concerning the admission policies of the three schools. The Rev. John P. O'Meara, C.S.B., will represent St. John Fisher College; Rev. Edward B. Gillen, S.J., Canisius College; and Rev. Cyril O. Schommer, S.J., LeMoyne College.

Holy Hour For Youth

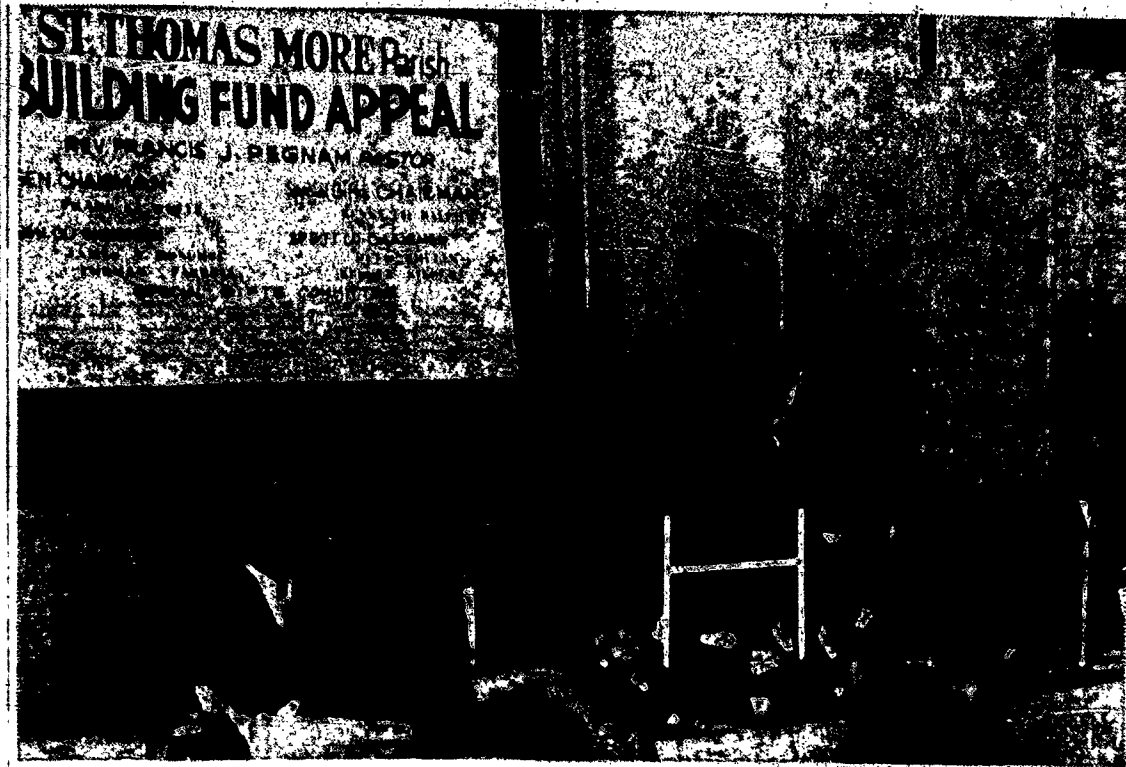
Catholic Youth Adoration Hour will be conducted, this month, at St. Joseph Church, Franklin St., Rochester, Sunday, Nov. 18 from 7 to 8 p.m. Boys and girls of the Rochester area will assemble for the devotion.

Preacher will be the Rev. Richard A. Harl, assistant pastor, Church of the Assumption, Fairport.

All youths of the city and vicinity are invited according to the Rev. Edward E. Steinkirchner, associate diocesan director of Sodality.

ST. MONICA MOTHERS SCHEDULE MEETING

St. Monica's Mothers Group will meet Monday, Nov. 19 at 8:30 p.m. in the school meeting room. Mrs. Jean Pepper of the Terrell School of Charm will address the group. Refreshments will be served.



ON EVE OF SUCCESSFUL PARISH DRIVE — His Excellency Bishop Kearney is pictured at the microphone at a kickoff dinner for fund campaigners for the new parish of St. Thomas More, Brighton, on Nov. 3 in St. John Fisher College. From left in photo are Frank E. Wolfe, campaign committee chairman; Bishop Kearney; the Rev. Francis J. Pegnam, pastor of St. Thomas More Church, and Kenneth Ralph, special gifts committee chairman.

\$356,423, Highest Average Pledge Hailed In St. Thomas More Campaign

Pledges totaling \$356,423 toward construction of church and school buildings for St. Thomas More parish, East Avenue, Brighton, were obtained in the parish-wide fund campaign, it was reported today by the Rev. Francis J. Pegnam, pastor.

Nearly 200 men of the parish conducted a two-hour canvass on Sunday, Nov. 4, for three-year pledges toward erection of buildings for the new parish on the recently-obtained 14-acre plot at 2617 East Ave. Construction will begin early next year.

RESULTS OF the campaign were hailed by Father Pegnam, who expressed gratitude to the parishioners for the many personal sacrifices they have made and are making for the parish.

"The campaign was a wonderful demonstration of sacrifice and spirit which will make possible a great work for our parish and for Holy Mother Church," Father Pegnam declared.

The pastor especially commended the campaigners, who were headed by Frank Wolfe as general chairman and Kenneth Ralph as special gifts committee chairman.

COMMENTING ON the high

average pledge obtained in the drive, John J. Foley, president of Foley Associates Inc., a Rochester fund-raising firm, who served as campaign director, declared: "Results of the campaign were excellent, but what really impressed me was the average gift from each parishioner. It is the highest average pledge we have noted in our audio-visual experience in the field."

St. Thomas More parish was created in 1953. For the last two years the Sunday Masses for parishioners have been celebrated in St. John Fisher College. The pep rally and kickoff dinner for campaigners also were held at the college.

His Excellency Auxiliary Bishop Casey addressed the men at the rally, and His Excellency Bishop Kearney was principal speaker at the dinner. Women of the parish served the dinner.

Proposed church and school buildings will be at ground-level and will be connected by a corridor. The church is designed to seat 700. The school will include classrooms and a room for parish meetings. There already is a residence on the grounds which will be used as the convent, and any

other dwelling now being used as the rectory. Ample space is available for parking and for children's recreational activities.

Open House Set At Seminary

"Open House" will be held at St. Andrew's Seminary, Buffalo, N.Y., for parents of students Sunday, Nov. 18, 3 to 5 p.m. The Very Rev. Richard Quinn, seminary rector, has invited the parents to meet their sons' professors and inspect the buildings.

He said the open house was a feature of the seminary's observance of American Education Week.

Baked Food Sale Slated In Penfield

Rosary Guild of St. Joseph Church, Penfield, will hold a baked food sale on Saturday, Nov. 17 at Stenner's Hardware from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Mrs. John McAuley is chairman assisted by the band leaders.

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