

**Horseheads Society To Name Officers**

A meeting was held by the nominating committee for St. Mary's Rosary and Altar Society of Horseheads. The session was held at the home of the president, Mrs. Kenneth Stokes with these members present, Mrs. Carl Hubertz, Mrs. Robert Hopkins and Mrs. Charles Smith. The slate of officers will be presented at the meeting to be held on Monday evening Dec. 17.

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**'Christ's Teachings Always Needed', Women Told**

Hornell — The teachings of Christ are as effective, and as needed, today as they were when He was born into the world on the first Christmas, the Rev. Norbert L. Nolan said Saturday.

Father Nolan, assistant pastor of St. Ignatius Loyola Church, was principal speaker at the First Saturday luncheon in the Moose Club. There were 50 women at the luncheon sponsored by the Steuben Diocese, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, in honor of Our Lady of Fatima.

"ADVENT finds us standing on the 'threshold' of creation awaiting the 'coming' of Christ just as millions did for centuries after the fall of our first parents," Father Nolan said.

"When Christ entered into the world as a Divine Infant in Bethlehem he found a pagan world under the sway of the mighty Roman Empire. Steeped in idolatry, the pagan religion instilled no sense of morality.

"As a result, evil practices were widespread. Despotism, giving authority for life or death to the emperor; infanticide, in which a father could determine whether his child lived or died in complete lack of respect for an immortal soul; slavery; brutal barbarism and degradation of women were in common existence," the priest continued.

BARBARISM and cruelty were supplanted by mercy and forgiveness as exemplified by Christ Himself when He forgave the penitent thief on Calvary, the priest went on. He also gave examples of Christ's respect for the oppressed and the meek and His love for the poor.

"There must be no room in our lives for discouragement if we practice the teachings of Christ. God looks not so much for visible tangible results as for dedication to duty, ceaseless effort and perseverance. We might, then, adopt as our motto—do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil by good," he concluded.

The Rev. Leo J. Mans spoke briefly, commending the women for their efforts in the recent Catholic Bishops' clothing drive. Nearly three tons of clothing were shipped, which is a record in the history of the drive.

Mrs. Frank Hornbeck, president, extended an invitation to all Catholic women in the vicinity to attend the next First Saturday luncheon on Jan. 5.

**Rochester Kolping Society Lists Commemoration For Society Founder**

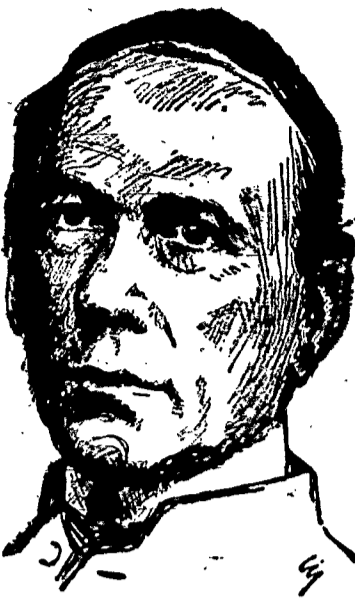
Father Adolf Kolping, founder of the Catholic Kolping Society is being commemorated with several events by the Rochester unit during the month of January.

Father Kolping was born Dec. 8, 1813 and died on Dec. 4, 1865. An anniversary celebration will take place at the Notre Dame Retreat House, 246 Alexander, St. on Monday, Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. Speaker will be the Very Rev. Gerald J. Whelan, C.S.S.R., rector of St. Joseph Church. Guest of honor will be the Rt. Rev. Magr. George W. Eckl, the society's honorary Praeses.

A MASS for the beatification of Father Kolping will be offered in the Notre Dame Retreat House on Sunday, Dec. 23 at 8:30 a.m. by the Very Rev. Thomas J. Fallon, C.S.S.R., the society's Praeses. Members will receive Holy Communion. A breakfast will follow.

On Tuesday, Dec. 4, the anniversary of Father Kolping's death, the members participated in the Rosary for Peace broadcast on WSAY at which time the prayer for his beatification was recited.

ADOLF KOLPING, son of a poor shepherd and one of 13 chil-



FATHER KOLPING

When later, the shoemaker became a priest, he gathered them in homes and gave them religious instructions and saw to it that they received proper training in their trades and before long became an apostle of the young working men. Adolf Kolping actually was one of the first to fight Communism. The night when Karl Marx proclaimed his manifesto at a mass meeting in Cologne, Adolf Kolping gathered only a few blocks away, the journeymen and working youth and told them of the sanctity and dignity of labor, and of peace and justice and active charity.

Thus Adolf Kolping became eventually the founder of a worldwide organization which, at his death had 350 branches with 25,000 members. Today a great number of Kolping Societies behind the Iron Curtain work underground. The Communist regime confiscated and discontinued 16 Kolping Houses in Czechoslovakia, 14 in Hungary, 10 in Romania and five in Yugoslavia.

This year the Rochester branch celebrated the 30th anniversary of its founding by members who immigrated to this country.

**Dominican Third Order**



Dominican Third Order will hold its monthly chapter meeting Sunday, Dec. 9, at Notre Dame Retreat House, Alexander St., Rochester, at 3:30 p.m. Rev. Henry Atwell, director, will speak on "A Tertiary's Preparation for Christmas." Compline and Benediction will conclude the meeting.

**Notre Dame High Notes**

By ANN DE MEMBER and BOB LEVANDUSKI

Five members of the Art class, of Notre Dame High School, Elmira, John Murphy, Dan Laux, Judy Grynska, Sue Cassidy, Marilyn Bulgotti, and Sister Mary Joanne, art instructor at N. D., spent several hours Friday and Saturday afternoons fashioning a Christmas display in the window of LeValley-McLeod Inc. on Church Street for the Tuberculosis Association's annual Christmas Seal Drive.

LAST TUESDAY, 36 students were received into the sodality at Notre Dame. Thirty-four made temporary Acts of Consecration to the Blessed Mother. The remaining two, Tom Wheeland and Frances Comereski, made permanent Acts of Consecration. Father Joseph F. Hogan, director of N. D.'s Sodality, presented each of the new members with the Sodality Medal and then all the other sodalists present renewed the Act of Consecration. The ceremony was closed by Father Hogan with Benediction.

BY SPECIAL permission of the Sacred Heart Fathers, Notre Dame was privileged to have the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart ceremony take place in the school this Friday. Usually only members of the Sacred Heart Fathers can hold this ceremony, but as a special favor to Notre Dame, Father Hogan was allowed to hold the impressive ritual himself.

AT THE MONTHLY meeting of the "Jugglers of Notre Dame," the Junior Class members of the club presented a Christmas program entitled, "Christmas Windows." The play, a pantomime, was narrated by Judy Loughlin and Pat Tamara. A fine cast was directed by Clara Cain and Leonie Richards.

SIX MEMBERS of Notre Dame's band, Skip Morgan, Jim Burnett, Brian O'Meara, Jim Shee, Walt Vainwright, Judy Loughlin and a member of St. Mary's School, Elizabeth Deuel, played a program of Christmas music for the Rosary-Altar Society's Christmas party last Tuesday night at St. Mary's.

AT MONDAY night's meeting of the Student Council the first draft of the Council's new constitution was read. It was also decided at this meeting that the S.C. will operate the refreshment stand at all of the basketball games this year.

**Children's Play Scheduled By Ithaca Rosary Society**

Ithaca—The Rosary and Altar Society of Immaculate Conception Church, Ithaca, will hold its Christmas meeting on Monday, Dec. 10 in Parish Hall following rosary and benediction in church at 7:45 p.m. Mrs. Charlotte DeWitt, President, will conduct the business meeting.

Following the meeting, a group of children, who are taught by the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart will present a play entitled, "The Little Plaster Shepherd."

A Christmas tree, ornamented

with Advent symbols will be the center of decorations, as well as the Advent Wreath and Advent Tower.

Rev. Otto J. Vogt, Moderator, will speak on "Advent Customs for the Family."

There will also be group singing. All the women of the parish are invited. Each is asked to bring a gift which will be given to the needy children of the Parish at Christmas time.

Refreshments will be served. Mrs. George Holmes as Chairman of the Refreshment Committee.

**Mayor Compliments Civics Club For Work During Year**

Ithaca—Ithaca Mayor John F. Ryan met with members of the St. James Civics Club of the Immaculate Conception School on Thursday, Nov. 23 and complimented the group for the manner in which the meeting was conducted and congratulated them for their work this year.

He then discussed the operations and problems of city government and answered the many questions put to him concerning the duties of his office.

During this school year, the St. James Civics Club has conducted a book drive to increase the school library, supervised the balloting in a straw vote at the time of the presidential election, and installed a safety patrol in the school for the first time in its history.

Plans are now being formulated for a clothing drive for the needy at home and overseas and in our missions, and for collecting magazines for the inmates of the county jail.

Officers are: James Melczinger, president; Judith Elmo, vice president; Thomas Yengo, sergeant-at-arms; Martha Maxson, recording secretary; Patricia Androsko, corresponding secretary.

**Women To Hold Christmas Fete**

Christmas party of the Immaculate Heart Society of St. Peter and Paul Church, Elmira is scheduled for Monday, December, 10 in the parish hall at 8 p.m. following Benediction in the church at 7:45 p.m.

Mrs. Emildo Paganelli is general chairman assisted by Mrs. Robert W. Garner, cochairman. Miss Florence Hughes is chairman of the entertainment committee; Mrs. Joseph Woodhouse, refreshments; Mrs. Gerald Steiner, decorations; and Mrs. Win. Lynch, Sr. assisted by Mrs. Floyd Nodine, Advent wreath. Fifty cent gifts will be exchanged.

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