

Hospital Service Of 41 Rewarded

Presentation of 41 awards by Sister Margaret Adelaide, administrator assisted by Sister John Francis, assistant administrator, opened the Annual Christmas party program for employees and students of St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira.

At the Yuletide event held in Dunn Memorial Auditorium on Tuesday, Dec. 18 from 3 to 6 p.m., the hospital sisters entertained about 500.

Immediately following the awards, the students presented an enjoyable program. "The Littlest Angel" was presented by the Junior Class, who also entertained with the Angel Choir, a unique group of Christmas Carols. A Nativity Tableau by the Freshmen ended this part of the program.

Gifts were distributed to each

employee from beautifully arranged tables. A High Fidelity Recorder was the Sisters' gift to the student nurses.

A festive Smorgasbord concluded the program.

Twenty-five years — James James Kirwan, maintenance; Catherine Margelt, housekeeping.

Twenty years — Rose Nicastro, Fifteen years — Anna Marie Cooklin, Mary Pasiecki, Christine Stickney, dietary; Josephine Peck, laundry.

Ten years — Mida Conklin, laundry; Eva Deats, dietary; Lougrene Smith, housekeeping; Cecile Terwilliger, coffee shoppe.

Five years — Jane Avery, nursing service; Anna Erague, dietary; Henry Brewer, plant operation; Rosemarie Bury, administration; Estelle Cain, Mary Cos-



MISTLETOE BALL planned by the Nazareth College Alumnae on Dec. 28 at Brooklee Country Club is being directed by, from left, Mrs. Richard Crowley and Mrs. Donald Bayer, cochairmen, and Mrs. George C. Monagan Jr., promotion.

'Mistletoe Ball' Arranged By Nazareth College Grads

Nazareth College Alumnae will sponsor a mistletoe ball Friday, Dec. 28 at Brooklee Country Club. Johnny Hartzog and his orchestra will furnish music for dancing from 10 p.m. till 2 a.m.

TICKETS WILL BE available in the Columbus Civic Center lobby and in the Seneca Hotel Thursday, Dec. 27, from 2 to 5 p.m. Tickets will also be sold at the door. Price per couple is \$1.

Mrs. Richard L. Crowley and Mrs. Donald Bayer are co-chairmen assisted by Miss Nancy Brown, publicity; Mrs. George C. Monagan Jr., promotion; Mrs. Maria Brown, tickets; Mrs. Richard Trompeter, invitations; Miss Louisa Conorton, decorations.

New Holy Name Banner

Owego — The annual Christmas party, sponsored by the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's, will be held tonight Dec. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Elks' auditorium, Front St. Joseph Loftus is chairman.

A new banner for the society which was blessed by the Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor, is white, with the Holy Name signa in gold, on the front and

on the reverse side the background is blue with "Holy Name of St. Patrick's" in gold letters. The banner will be displayed each Communion Sunday, in processions in which the society takes part and at the homes of deceased members.

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Talk By Sister Margaret Adelaide

(Text of address given by Sister Adelaide, administrator of St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira at Christmas party in Dunn Memorial during which awards were presented to hospital employees).

Most of you have no idea that you have been making history in the past few weeks. Actually, history is being made every day by people hidden from the surface and publicity of all big enterprises. Mr. Shipp, the Executive Director of our Building Fund Campaign, stopped in the office the other day, and in the course of our conversation, he said, "Sister, there is one group, which to my amazement, topped its goal.

Trouthfully, I feared the goal of \$10,000 was a little high. Certainly, no one would have believed it possible that the HOSPITAL FAMILY would contribute \$15,500 — which is \$5,500 over the top! Since there is no great wealth among us, this glorious result is all the more remarkable. In a world full of conflict, how inspiring it is that some 400 of us can join together for such constructive work as the building of a hospital!

little story about a husband who bought a guitar. He played it endlessly, hour after hour, always holding his finger in the same place on the same string. His poor wife became desperate. When she could no longer endure the monotony, she said:

"You know, I've noticed that other guitars have more than one string, and the players move their fingers from string to string all the time." Her husband stopped playing and twisted his lips impatiently.

"Of course, the others move their fingers around all the time," he told her. "They're looking for the place. I'VE FOUND IT!"

I would like you to feel that you have found your place in life; that St. Joseph's appreciates you, even if you are playing continuously on one string.

God bless you, and may each one enjoy a holy and happy Christmas!

people, doing an important work in a spirit of generosity which has great significance for the future of St. Joseph's and for the generations of people who will rely on it for help.

The Sisters are intensely proud of St. Joseph's Family, and they wish me to express their gratitude. We feel that others have been inspired to give because of the sacrifices you have made. We are grateful; We thank you, sincerely.

NOW I COME to awards for time and service to St. Joseph's, an annual event which brings a very real joy to all our hearts.

There must be occasions in the life of every employee when he or she feels that life is endless toil. But of all the work that produces results, nine-tenths must be toil.

Don't you think that the labors of St. Joseph, the Carpenter, was considered toil. With each new day he was confronted with mechanical problems which demanded endless measuring, hammering, constructing. St. Joseph knew, and let us learn this lesson from him, that there is no work from the highest to the lowest, which can be done well by anyone who is unwilling to make sacrifices.

Part of the very nobility of the true workman consists in the fact that he is not daunted by the toll to be done. He learns that this is a common part of nearly all lives. GOD willed it this way.

I WOULD LIKE to relate this

Ruined Cathedral To Be Restored

London — (NC) — Bishop Cyril Cowderoy of Southwark, England, who visited the United States last year to seek funds for the restoration of his war-bombed cathedral, has said that he hopes the edifice will be in use again within 18 months.

The beautiful cathedral, burnt out by German incendiary bombs, is now a mass of scaffolding. Rebuilding is going ahead at a steady pace.

The adjoining cathedral hall is used for services for the large cathedral congregation.

Principal's Periscope

Know Public Schools, Catholic Parents Told

Catholic parents have a responsibility to know their public schools, is the belief expressed by Mother Francesca, principal of Our Lady of Mercy High School in the November-December issue of "Principal's Periscope."

The article follows:

"Parents of our Catholic school children have a very definite responsibility to keep informed, to show interest and to attend meetings in their local school districts. You share taxes equally with your public school neighbors. Friendly relationship between public and Catholic schools is important to both.

"Parents of suburban pupils in Catholic schools should know their own public school districts. According to the laws of New York State public school bus services are shared by pupils in Catholic schools. Many suburban school districts pay bus fare for pupils traveling to Catholic high schools. Do you live in such a district? Among those we know are districts in Irondequoit, Perfield, Greece and Gates. Pupils from public or Catholic schools in these districts are getting reimbursements if applied for.

"ALL SUBURBAN residents should make inquiry in their own school district. Each pupil must get the application form by requesting it from the school in her own district. These forms are ready now. The form should be filled out by the parents and pupil. At the end of the school year, the high school office will furnish certification of pupil attendance at Mercy during the school year. Then the school district board will send reimbursements to each applicant for bus fare used.

"Catholic high schools get no information directly from the public officials on these matters. Some parents have called

Reno Bishop Starts Brothers Community

Reno, Nev. — (NC) — Bishop Robert J. Dwyer of Reno has announced plans for the organization here of a new community to be known as the Dominican Missionary Brothers of Our Lady of the Rosary.

The Bishop has asked the Holy See to permit the establishment of the group in order to help serve the needs of the mission-prise the entire state of Nevada.

While awaiting official approval from Rome, five candidates for the brotherhood have been allowed to establish residence in a house purchased here by the Bishop. The five men are engaged in clerical and teaching work in the diocese.

Religion Study Returns In Poland

Berlin — (NC) — Religious instruction by Catholic priests or lay teachers chosen by Church officials has been resumed in communist Poland, a report reaching here states.

Some schools, mainly in rural areas, have already started instruction on a semi-official basis. There is some delay expected in the cities, the report goes on, due to a shortage of classrooms.

Soul's Activity Needs Silence, Says Pontiff

Vatican City — (NC) — Silence prepares man's soul for activity on its higher levels and prompts men to accomplish the most difficult tasks of the spiritual life, Pope Pius XII, said here.

Addressing members of the Italian Anti-Communist League in an audience, the Pope said "Silence prepares man to listen to the mysterious voice of God Himself who is always present in the soul of His creature and wishes to communicate His blessings to him."

"LIVING AS HE does in one of the busiest sections of a busy city, the Pontiff no doubt spoke from his own experience. He spoke of the streets, the subways, the underground trains, of the big buses "which make the earth tremble as they pass by."

"The increasing mechanization of modern life, coupled with poor observance of police regulations and a lack of consideration for the mounting noise of a city, he said.

"We hope that public opinion will become more conscious of the necessity of defending itself against the invasion of noise, he added, "especially when it is created unnecessarily."

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