

Friend of Youth

Leader In Civic Life

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courage the men in the proper discharge of their hazardous duties.

On one particular Sunday he defended the police against unwarranted attacks which had been made against them. The talk served to brace the men at a time when they needed bracing. As one of them remarked:

"Boy, I certainly feel better after hearing the Bishop. Now I can hold my head up again."

THE BISHOP never hesitated to use radio to espouse the many causes in which he believed. At various times his voice has been carried by practically every station in the entire Diocese. When television came to Rochester on June 11, 1949, he participated in the first live telecast from the Chamber of Commerce ballroom.

Of the many innovations introduced by Bishop Kearney, perhaps none proved more heart-warming to non-Catholics as well as his own diocisans than the annual New Year's receptions at the episcopal residence in East Avenue.

He greeted each visitor as a personal guest and kindled a warmth which glowed brightly throughout the entire year. Non-Catholics especially never fail to single out these receptions as highlights in their lives.

Congressman Kenneth B. Keating aptly summed it up when he said:

"Bishop Kearney's dedicated service to God and our country is beyond all praise. Few men in Rochester's entire history can equal his record in devotion to everything best in our civic life."

The esteem in which the Bishop is held in the community will be expressed in striking manner next Sunday when more than eighty community leaders representing every faith and avenue of endeavor escort His Excellency to the War Memorial stage in Rochester.

On this happy occasion, the reporter who long since has laid away his pad and pencil can call to his editor across the years and ask:

"Well, wasn't I right?"

Bishop Kearney

May Your

Silver Jubilee

Bring to you

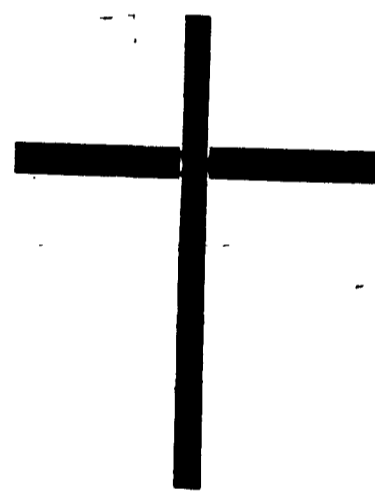
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on his

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