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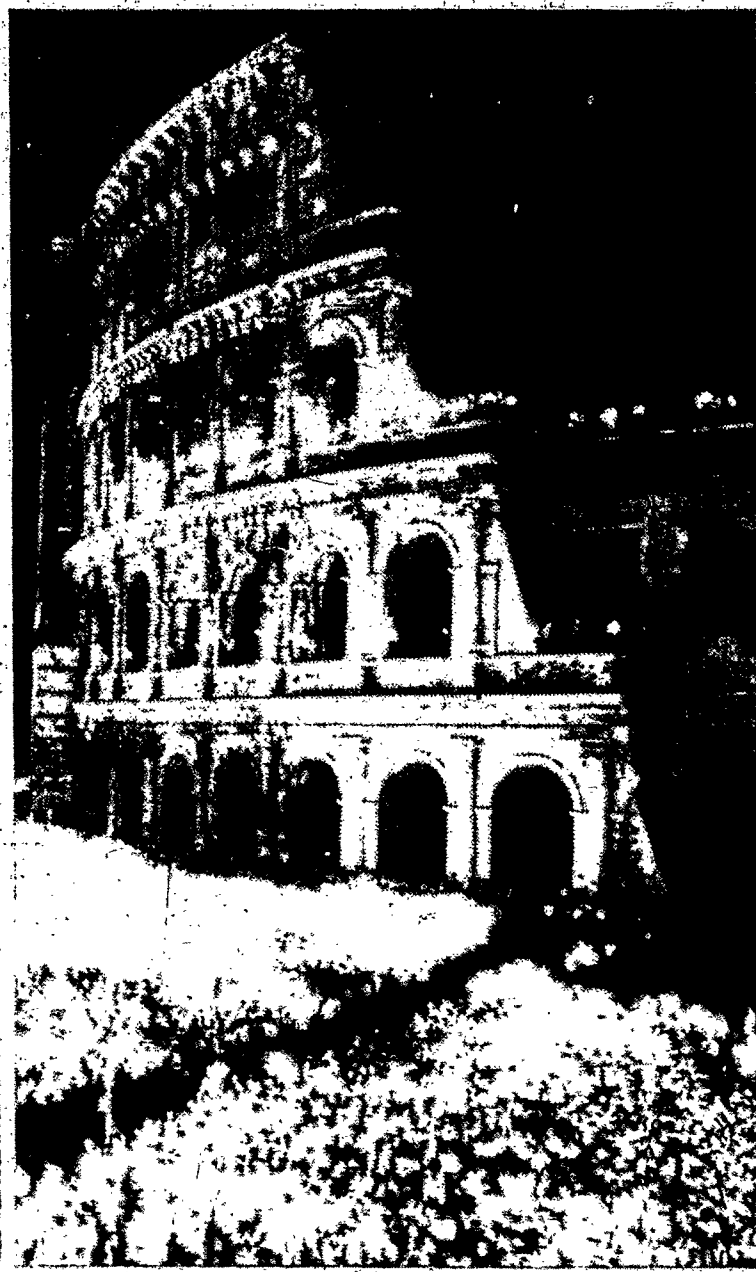
A Retreat for Eighth Grade Girls will be held at the Genacle Convent, 683 East Avenue, the weekend of April 11-13. Rev. Robert Boyle, S.J., of the Faculty of McQuaid Jesuit High School, will be the Retreat Master. There are a few places left, and reservations may be made by contacting the Genacle Convent.

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Rome Observes Good Friday

Good Friday processions of Rome, though not as well known as those of Spain, are equally dramatic. Here we view a night-time procession with the ancient Colosseum, hallowed by the blood of early Christian martyrs, in the background. (NC Photos)

Academy Alumnae Evening Exercise

An Evening of Recollection for Nazareth Academy alumnae and friends will be given on March 31 from 7 to 10 p.m. at Nazareth Academy auditorium. Rev. Joseph Bernier, SSS, will be retreat master according to Renee Dauwe, president of the alumnae association. An invitation is extended to former Nazareth Academy students and their friends to participate in this Holy Week activity.



Edits Book

Eugene S. Getzler, author and editor of books on Catholic family life, has edited a new Edits Family Reader called Growing Up Together (S.D.B.). This new book will be released April 15 by Edits Publishers of Chicago. Growing Up Together is a collection of articles on child growth and development, written by six mothers, four fathers and a priest. Getzler is the father of 11 children, a former instructor in English at the University of Notre Dame and the author of Father of the Family.

Seton Groups In Action

43TH BRANCH of Seton Workers of St. Mary's Hospital met Wednesday at 9 a.m. at the home of Mrs. J. Thomas Heron in Ridgeway Ave. 60TH BRANCH was formed Thursday, March 20 at the home of Mrs. William T. Toomey on Cinarro Drive. Mrs. Toomey is a granddaughter of the late Mrs. Louis Whalen who was one of the founders of the Seton Workers. Mrs. John Pfeleging was chosen chairman and Mrs. Thomas Morse, treasurer. Others attending were Mesdames Michael Petoeh, Allen Cook, Richard Aiken, Kenneth Orr, George Kingston and Arthur Tyrrell.

DOINGS AT THE DALY'S

By Mary Thibet Daly

The special delivery, air mail letter from Eileen in Bristol came some months ago.



Mary Daly

"Dear Mom and Daddy," it read. "Tony and I are going to have a baby. Isn't it wonderful? We are so thrilled..."

Needless to say, we are happy for them and with them. But we should like to be nearer than an 11-hour drive over mountains. Why? Well, just because — a woman's reason, compounded of many factors.

According to the sociologists, Eileen and Tony and the new baby are a "conjugal family" (husband, wife and children), while Johnny and Lu and their called "kinship family," with in-pollant area are part of the so-children, living in our metro laws all over the place.

WHICH IS better, conjugal or kinship? It's a nice question, and one which can be answered only by the young people involved. Probably, it is a yes-no-iffy answer.

Though we try not to drop in too often at the little house on Valley Road where Johnny and Lu and the four babies live, we find an almost irresistible impulse to direct the nose of the car that way.

Somehow, just seeing them... well, forgive a grandmother. And, resolutely, we don't too often "drop in." We know, though, that when and if they need a helping hand they will turn to us of the in-law tribe.

As for Eileen and Tony, the "conjugal family" far away; they are in the same position the Head of the House and I were in a quarter-century ago, establishing our family far away from all kin. The bonds of family were kept up by letter, by rate long-distance phone calls, and by prayer.

Now, for the first time, we realize the pleasure that our mid-west family must have derived from "sending on a few things for the baby." At the time, we thought that we, as recipients, had all the pleasure. As the older generation, we see the other side of the coin — and what fun to make up the package!

With four grandchildren already, we are not unfamiliar with the baby departments of

Conjugal or Kinship

stores—and is there a more delightful one? RECENTLY, we visited another department, buying a dress for Eileen in a cheery atmosphere, surrounded by happy customers and clerks.

In this era, it's hard to believe, but I can well remember asking for a maternity dress and being directed surreptitiously to the back corner of the ladies dresses—beyond the outside ones. A rack was moved out; maternity dresses on one side and on the other side—of all things—SHROUDS! Ugh! Let's forget the old and welcome in the new...

Back to the "conjugal" vs. "kinship" family... We always have to translate this, as we do the discolored and caked Carmelites; in the first instance, it is without and with in-laws, in the second, without and with shoes.

With the speed of modern transportation, a "conjugal family" could become, for the time being, a "kinship family" within a matter of hours. But it would not, of course, change the intrinsic nature of the family.

They are still on their own, making their way as a family unit in a community other than that in which the childhood home is located, with all the relatives and friends.

As a "conjugal family" of the past, we missed the proximity of relatives. Yet, on the other hand, we had a certain sense of independence. We had no in-law problems, but we had no family confidence during times of uncertainty—and we had no in-law help, either!

In a quasi-philosophical mood, as the Head of the House and I were discussing this, and making plans for a trip to Bristol to welcome the new Master or Miss Brennan, the head of the House came up with a compromise that never before had occurred to us:

"Start out with one of your so-called 'conjugal families'?" he asked. "That's the way we did. After a while—quite a while—you automatically become a 'kinship family' if you rear children."

"But," the chuckle came from a great depth of understanding, "you find yourself in need of in-laws... You get along, and eventually you find yourself a father-in-law—you're a grand father, and married to a grandmother. And you discover that you've established a 'kinship family'."

Academy Grads Dinner Dance Set

Fourth Annual Nazareth College Alumnae Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday, April 19, at Monroe Golf Club, Pittsford. Buffet dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and dancing to the music of Ray Dunlap's Orchestra will be featured from 9:30 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. General Chairman is Mrs. Stephen Mayla, assisted by Mrs. Philip H. Reed, Co-chairman; Mrs. Joseph A. Hudson and Mrs. Donald Starkweather—Reservations co-chairmen; Mrs. Edward Esse—Decorational Chairman; and Miss Margaret McGrath—Publicity Chairman. Reservations may be made by contacting one of the following alumnae: Margaret Mary Morrow Reed—HL 5-1938W; Kay Malloy Hudson—HL 5-0225R; Ruth Lintz, Starkweather—HL 5-3707. The deadline for dinner reservations is Friday, April 11.



Engagement Rings Blessed

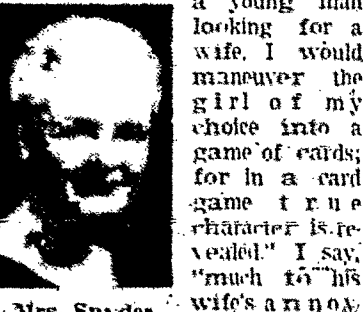
HIS EXCELLENCY, Auxiliary Bishop Casey blesses engagement of Rosemary Collier and Herbert Matthe in ceremony at Sacred Heart Cathedral concluding successful Pro-Cana Conference in the parish. The Rev. James J. Marvin conducted the conferences held weekly in the Parish House.

AMONG WOMEN

A Game Of Chance

By Mary Lennon Snyder

An elderly man of my acquaintance used to remark much to his wife's annoyance, "If I were a young man looking for a wife, I would maneuver the girl of my choice into a game of cards for in a card game true character is revealed." I say, "much to his wife's annoyance" because she did not play cards, and I suspect she always wondered if there were a concealed irony in her husband's remarks.



Mrs. Snyder

While a card game may be a good proving ground of character, it seems to me that an almost better spot in our modern world is behind the driver's wheel of an automobile. This has been particularly true in these past few months when driving conditions have been particularly trying, with one way traffic necessitating more than the usual courtesy and consideration for others.

THE WRITER of the TV commercials for safety on the highways which urge drivers not to be "babies behind the wheel" has resorted to hyperbole to state that foolish driving is a sign of immaturity.

As someone once pointed out in a clever essay, the greatest compliment we can pay another person is to tell him he is something he is not.

Hence, the greatest compliment we could pay a teenage driver would be to say he drives like a veteran. The reverse should also be true, yet neither would be a compliment, because there are teenage drivers and veteran drivers who proclaim their immaturity at every turn of the wheel.

Mental and emotional maturity cannot be achieved by living a long time or driving a long while. It is a state wherein the individual recognizes himself as a responsible person, answerable to divine and natural laws. To implement these there has been evolved a civil code to which he is also responsible.

I HAVE GONE on record as saying I believe young people should be trusted, that their parents should not worry unduly about them; yet these same

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