

Nazareth College

Students, Faculty Visit Music Camp

Thirty Summer session music students at Nazareth College, accompanied by two members of the faculty, Sister Helen Anne, instrumental instructor and Sister Claudia, vocal instructor, visited the Tally-Ho Music Camp, last Saturday to observe the work done by the young campers.

They attended the final rehearsal of the Tally-Ho orchestra, which was preparing for one of the regular Sunday evening concerts, open to the families and friends of the campers. Others interested are also invited to attend.

Guest conductor of the orchestra was Joseph Winters, director of instrumental music, Buffalo State Teachers College. The sister students were especially impressed with the rendition of Brahms' Symphony No. 1 in C minor.

Director of the camp is Dorothy Bradley, who with her husband, the late Fred I. Bradley, were founders of the music camp. Camp manager is Robert Wadsworth, director of high school vocal music at Newark Central School. The orchestra and the band are under the direction of a different guest conductor each week.

The camp is located on a farm, 25 miles south of Rochester in the Bristol Hills. Following the rehearsal, the Nazareth College group made a tour of the camp and were served refreshments by the camp staff.

June Graduate Wins Fellowship

Jeanette Martino, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Martino, Solway, N. Y., a 1938 graduate of Nazareth College of Rochester, has just received notice that she has been granted a trustee's fellowship from ship from Catholic University of America.



JEANETTE MARTINO

Miss Martino is planning to pursue graduate work in English at the university. Her fields of concentration at Nazareth were English and French. She was the president of the resident students. She also held membership in the Alliance Française of Rochester and the National Council of Teachers of English.

10 Alumnae Get Graduate Degrees

Ten Nazareth College alumnae received master's degrees from the University of Rochester at their 10th commencement last month. Mrs. Angeline Guzzetta Jones, who will be chairman of the foreign language department at Greece Central School next year, received her M.A. degree in foreign languages.

Virginia Barbeau, an elementary teacher at Rush-Henrietta School, Mrs. Mary Norton Har-

ington, and Margaret Mattern, a history teacher at St. Agnes High School, received M.A. degrees in secondary education. Sister Mary Benedict Caulfield, R.S.M., received a master of music degree in music education.

Dorothy Dispenza, who will be on the faculty of the new Gates-Chitt-Child School, Mary Joan at Honeyoye Falls Central Fitzgerald, a mathematics teacher, Mary Jane Shultz, English teacher at Whitesboro Central School, and Maureen Skivington, a high school social studies teacher, received master of science degrees in secondary education and Mrs. Geraldine Schwartz Lyons, an elementary teacher in the Rochester schools, a master of science in elementary education.



Parish Head

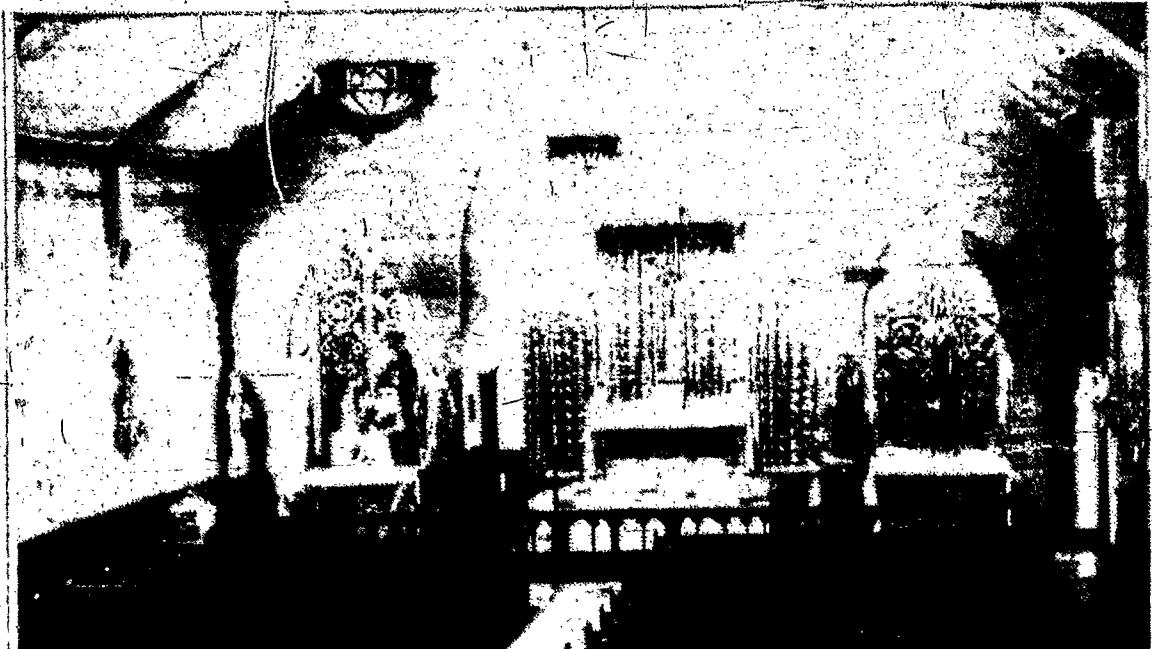
VERY REV. ANSELM LEARY, O.F.M., Cap. who is the new administrator of St. Francis Church, Interlaken, and supervisor of St. Fidelis Friary there, Father Anselm purchased the friary property at Interlaken in 1931. He succeeds Very Rev. Gereon Lindsay, O.F.M., Cap. who becomes pastor of Our Lady Queen of Angels Church, Harlem.

Court St. Joseph Elects Officers

CORONAL — Mrs. Robert Reep was elected grand regent of Court St. Joseph, Catholic Daughters of America, to succeed Mrs. William Kneeland.

Elected with Mrs. Reep were: Mrs. William Gernon, vice regent; Mrs. Philip Ruocco, treasurer; Mrs. Leon Young, historian; Miss Mary Jane Nasser, financial secretary; Mrs. Leo Schaller, monitor; Mrs. Francis Bruell, prophetess; Mrs. Mello Capo, lecturer; Mrs. Kathleen Frick, organist; Mrs. Mary Hyden, sentinel; Mrs. Stella McCarty, honorary trustee; Mrs. Leo McKinney, Mrs. William Henry, Mrs. Louis Hart, Mrs. James Ward and Mrs. Joseph Ruocco, trustees.

Mrs. Bruell conducted the business meeting at which time it was announced that Mrs. John Freitas and Mrs. McKinney would be co-chairmen of a supper and social May 26.



ST. DOMINIC CHURCH, Shortsville of which the Rev. John E. Napier is pastor has this interior. Of note is statue on Gospel side altar showing the Blessed Mother handing the Rosary to the church's patron.

Shortsville Pastor

Dedicated Country Priest

By FRANK KELLY

An hour's drive into the country can be a very pleasant experience, as two staff members of the Courier-Journal found out this past Monday.

The purpose of the drive was to get information from Father John E. Napier on his parish, St. Dominic's in Shortsville and Manchester for the Courier-Journal. It proved to be a most pleasant morning's experience.

What we obtained was more than a history of a parish. We received a history—the full story of what a country priest has to be.

FATHER NAPIER was ordained 46 years ago this past June and after serving as an assistant at Old St. Patrick's Cathedral for 15 years, was assigned as pastor of St. Dominic's.

After arriving in this thriving railroad community just 30 miles southwest of Rochester in 1927, Father Napier has seen Shortsville and Manchester survive the depression and two wars.

Founded as a mission to the parish of St. Felix in Clifton Springs in 1853, St. Dominic's became a parish of its own in 1922. Father John J. Ganey was the first pastor and was succeeded by Father Napier.

The first church in Shortsville built in 1853, was a wooden structure, but was replaced in 1900 by the present edifice.

When the present church was built, it had a brick front, but the rest of the church was constructed of wood and tin.

The church remained that way until two years after Father Napier arrived when a fire destroyed part of the edifice. Father Napier then had the church completely done over in brick.

The life of a country priest is one that very seldom leaves a dull moment—especially if that priest is Father Napier whose zeal continually kept him on the move after his arrival.

At that time, Shortsville and Manchester were the hub of a great railroad nation. It boasted the largest railroad transfer station in the world—with over a million dollars a month spent on employees wages.

THE COMPLEXION of the two communities has changed since then.

Ever since the railroads have been slipping, Shortsville and Manchester have become commuter towns, with the residents working in Canandaigua, Clifton Springs and other neighboring cities and towns with industry settled in them.

"The depression hit Shortsville to a great degree," Father Napier related. "Half of the 100 railroad workers were immediately laid-off."

The parish went into debt during the depression, but is now debt clear, according to Father Napier.

Father's two parish societies, the Rosary and Holy Name, are very active in St. Dominic's. The Rosary Society puts on the annual dinner in the parish hall in Manchester.

Since coming to the Finger Lakes region, Father Napier has done an extensive amount of work in both communities.

IN ADDITION to the major rehabilitation of the church after the 1929 fire, Father bought the property located next to the church, tore down the buildings on the property and transformed it to a beautifully landscaped lawn that adds to the beauty of the church.

Four years ago, he had the inside of the church completely redone, including the installation of a new altar at the cost of \$15,000. In 1955, the parish was able to purchase a store in Manchester which is used for Sunday Mass and as a parish center.

The population of the two communities totals about 1,700. The parish has a total of about 350 families—an increase of about 100 since Father Napier's arrival.

That the people in Shortsville and Manchester think much of their pastor is reflected in two ways. The collections when he first arrived amounted to \$75 a week. They now average over \$200.

And, when there is work to be done on the church, the men of the parish do it willingly for their priest without any hesitation.

Father Napier also has become what probably all priests in similar parishes must become—a general, all-around handyman. This includes a lawnmower repairman, gardener, etc.

HAVING NO parish school, the problem of seeing that the children are brought up knowing their religion has been successfully resolved by this friendly man whose spirit belies his years.

He conducts release time classes for both the primary and high school children.

"The first four grades are taught each Sunday," Father said. "The others are taught on Monday and Tuesday. During the Summer, the Sisters of St. Joseph conduct a Summer school for three weeks," he added.

There is very little juvenile delinquency in either town, but "none of the few incidents that

Australian Bishops Appeal For Modesty

Sidney, Australia. — (RNS) — The Catholic Hierarchy of this country asked that newspapers and magazines advertising feminine fashions "contrary to Christian modesty" be banned from Catholic homes.

They also appealed to parents to train their daughters in modesty of dress. The appeal and the suggested ban were made public in a statement issued following the annual bishops' meeting here.

"The bishops felt especially concerned regarding the decline in modesty of dress for young women," the statement continued. "For it marks a serious departure from the older fashions which maintained the dignity of Christian womanhood without in the least detracting from its physical grace and charm."

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have occurred involved any of the Catholic children," he said. A true tribute of the work of a country priest, in seeing that they get a solid Catholic education.

In addition to conducting the affairs of the parish, Father Napier also has a parish cemetery, named in honor of St. Rita, under his supervision. This supervision includes laying out the plots and maintaining the mausoleum at the cemetery, which he had constructed.

Two of Father Napier's former catechism pupils became Sisters of St. Joseph. They are Sister Marie Deminick, a nun for 15 years, now at Sacred Heart Cathedral School, and Sister Mary Rosalva, who has been in the order for two years and is at the Nazareth Motherhouse.

Shortsville and Manchester are not resort towns but every Sunday during the Summer months, three or four out-of-towners are found attending Mass. They come from the nearby New York State Thruway interchange.

St. Dominic's has four Sunday Masses: one in the mission in Manchester and the other three at the parish church in Shortsville. A Boston Father from St. John Fisher College comes to help Father Napier out on Sundays.

"One of our Sunday Masses at St. Dominic's is held at 6 p.m.," Father Napier related. "This is to accommodate the many nurses and hospital workers as well as the railroad employees who cannot get to Mass Sunday morning because of their working commitments. About 250 attend each Sunday," he added.

These hospital workers are attached to the two hospitals in Canandaigua and the sanatorium in Clifton Springs.

Of course, Father Napier is kept pretty busy with his convent work. At the present, he has two people under instruction. He has converted as many as 11 in one year.

FATHER NAPIER is proud of his church organ, which he estimated as being 150 years old. It came to the old Congregational Church in Clifton Springs from Boston. When that church closed its doors, Father Gagey bought it and brought it to St. Dominic's," he said.

"We also have one of the best choirs and choir directors in the diocese. Mrs. John Boardman, our choir director, came to St. Dominic's in 1932 and has remained here since."

Father Napier, a native of Honeyoye Falls, was educated in that town's public schools prior to attending St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries. While an assistant at St. Patrick's Church, he was a professor of chemistry at the old Cathedral High School and has maintained an active interest in the field of education all during his priestly career.

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Italy Village Elects New Pastor

Zublena. — (NC) — Father Francesco Cappa beat two other contenders at the polls and became the new pastor of San Nicola church here.

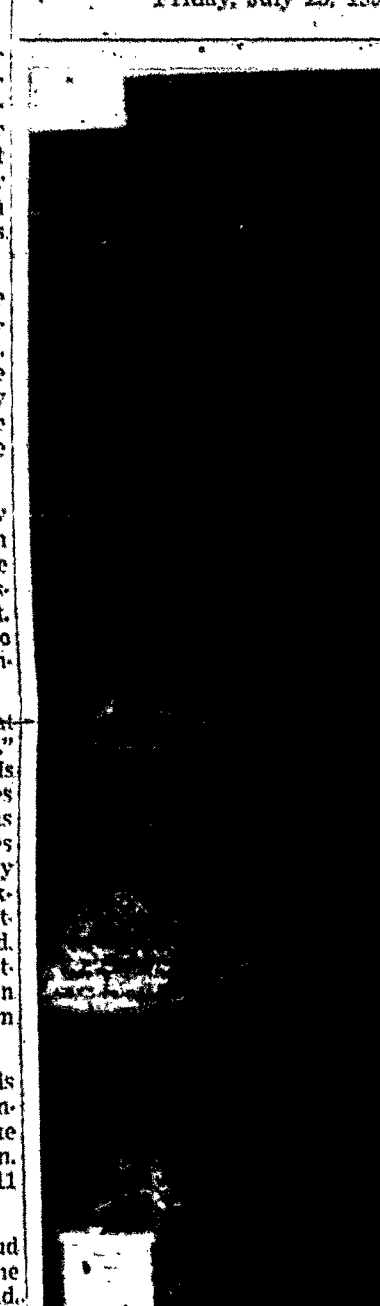
The citizens of this village of 1,500 inhabitants in the mountainous regions of northwest Italy have the privilege of electing their own pastor, choosing from three names submitted by the Bishop of Biella to the Mayor of Zublena.

The privilege is so old that no one knows exactly when or why it started. All that is known in Zublena is that for as long as anyone remembers, the pastors have been elected by the votes of the heads of families. No records have been kept except of a few hotly contested elections.

FATHER CAPP, for the past seven years, assistant pastor at San Nicola Church, was elected pastor with 172 out of 221 votes cast. His closest contender received 43 votes, and the other only two.

There was no campaigning done by the contestants. The voting, as always, was orderly. The Bishop submitted three names about a month before the election. On the day of the election the heads of the families gathered in Zublena's elementary school and cast their ballots. The electoral commission, made up of the communal secretary, the vice-mayor and a representative of the episcopal curia, counted the ballots and announced the winner.

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Study Civil Defense

Winona, Minn. — (NC) — Sister M. Humbert, O.S.F., records her Geiger Counter reading as she and Sister M. Illuminata, O.S.F., trace radioactive source samples in the gymnasium of Saint Teresa's College here. Sister M. Roswitha, O.S.F., (right) supervises the calculations. Pinned on the Sisters' habits are dosimeters which record how much radioactive material each experimenter has picked up during the hunt.

Fu Jen SVD University

To Reopen In Formosa

Taipei — (RNS) — Father John Schuette, newly-elected Superior General of the Divine Word Missionaries, is expected to arrive here from Rome in August to make preparations for the re-establishment in Taipei of the Fu Jen Catholic University, formerly located at Peiping in Communist China.

Founded by the Divine Word Missionaries in 1925, Fu Jen University, the oldest Catholic institution of higher learning in China, was confiscated by the Communist government in 1949.

Its last rector was Father Harold Rigney, S.V.D., of Chicago, who was imprisoned by the Communists for four years for alleged espionage. He was freed in September, 1953, and returned to the United States six months later.

CARDINAL TIE N, exiled Archbishop of Peiping, who is at present in West Germany, has written to officials of the Alumni Association of Fu Jen University here stating that prospects for re-establishing the university here are "good."

Father Schuette made a special trip to West Germany to discuss

Father Watkins

Mass Offered By Bishop Foery

Bishop Walter A. Foery of Syracuse celebrated the Solemn Requiem Mass for the Rev. Leon B. Watkins, formerly of Rochester, July 16, in St. Anthony of Padua Church, Chadwicks, N.Y., of which Father Watkins was pastor.

Father Watkins, 63, died July 13, 1958 in St. Elizabeth Hospital, Chadwicks.

Born April 29, 1895 in Ithaca, Father Watkins moved to Rochester as a boy. He attended old Cathedral grammar and High School in Rochester, St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's seminaries and St. Bonaventure Seminary, Allegany.

He was ordained to the Holy Priesthood, April 5, 1925 and his first assignment in the Diocese of Syracuse was as assistant at Holy Trinity Church, Syracuse. He served as assistant at St. Anthony of Padua, Syracuse and St. John's, Oswego. In 1935 he was named administrator of St. Anthony in Chadwicks and the following year became pastor.

As in community affairs, Father Watkins served as treasurer of the local Red Cross, chairman of the Friendly Town Committee and was an organizer of the village water committee.

A member of Ulster Council, Knights of Columbus, he was provided an honor guard at the funeral.

Father Watkins is survived by his sister, Miss Beulah M. Watkins who resided with him; a brother, Amos DeWitt Watkins of Toronto and a nephew Maurice DeWitt of Toronto.

Burial was in St. Patrick Cemetery, Clayville.

College Offers Cut-Rate Tuition

Winoski, Vt. — (RNS) — While tuitions continue to soar upward in most colleges, St. Michael's College here, operated by the Fathers of St. Edmund, is offering a cut-rate plan.

The tuition for a boy will still remain at \$300 a year. But if his brother enrolls the latter will have to pay only \$200. If a third brother enrolls the tuition for him will be \$100 a year.

This year 19 families have two or more sons studying at the college. The plan was announced by Very Rev. Francis E. Moriarty, president.

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