

Too Much TV

Reading Becoming Lost Art

Portland, Ore.—(INC)—“Reading is fast becoming a lost art,” Father Thomas Laughlin, of Portland’s Central Catholic high school, declared at the summer school commencement exercises of the University of Portland.

Father Laughlin, Latin teacher at Central Catholic, blamed the irresponsible use of television for the loss of good reading habits.

“Reading and its consort, intellectual conversation, have been pushed out of our lives,” he said in lamenting the “monopoly” of television.

He told the graduates that it was only through continued reading that they would go on learning.

“If you graduate, the products of this university, and oth-

ers like it will not read, who will? . . . The passive entertainment of a television set can demand all your time. You don’t have to think, you don’t even have to speak when that machine is on,” Father Laughlin declared.

The speaker asserted that “the more you watch, the more pas-

‘Boy Friend’ At Melody Fair

“The ‘Boy Friend,’ rollicking satire of the 1920’s, the Charleston and the chemise, is currently showing at Melody Fair, the North Tonawanda music tent.

Performances run nightly at Melody Fair, Tuesday through Sunday at 8:30 p.m. and a family matinee on Sunday at 4 p.m.

sive you become, the less intelligent, the less movable, the less human.”



MRS. PAUL BECKER

Couple Wed At Holy Rosary

Miss Carol A. Leone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Leone of Fulton Ave., became the bride of Michael A. Lamendola, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lamendola of Otis St. in Holy Rosary Church on Aug. 16. Monsignor Charles F. Shay officiated, assisted by the Rev. James Marvin.

Miss Teresa A. Bonanni was maid of honor and bridesmaids were Miss Florence Galbo, Miss Agnes Fillole, Mrs. Samuel Castrovovo and Miss Dolores Jolner.

Michael Masters was best man. Ushering guests were Alex Gerardi, Michael Gravina, Samuel Castrovovo and Francis Leone.

Geneseo Rite Joins Couple

Geneseo—Miss Lucille Kingston of Geneseo and Paul Becker of East Aurora was married in St. Mary Church, Geneseo on Aug. 16. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter M. Kingston of Geneseo and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. Becker Sr., of East Aurora.

The Rev. Anthony Guenther, S.J., of the Faculty of Canisius College, Buffalo, was celebrant of the solemn High Nuptial Mass. The Rev. Peter T. Jankowski, pastor of St. Mary Church, Geneseo, was deacon and the Rev. Richard T. Nugent, assistant at Immaculate Conception Church, East Aurora, was subdeacon.

Miss Catherine Kingston was maid of honor for her sister. Another sister, Mrs. Gerald Coyne of Avon was bridesmaid. Flower girls were Patricia Herberger and Lyndall Becker, nieces of the bride and groom respectively.

Theodore Becker was best man for his brother. Ushering guests were Robert J. Herberger and Mark Nuther.



Versatile Artist

Designing chapels, monuments, magazine covers and the painting of portraits is only part of the art work of Sister Mary of the Divine Saviour, C.S.C. (above) shown in her studio at Holy Cross Convent, Manchester, N.H. Known in art circles by her family name, Mrs. M. B. Ledoux, she uses the money made from her paintings to help finance young girl novices who are without means. (NO Photos)

Catholic War Veterans Ask End To TV Crime

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Catholic War Veterans in the USA, assembled here for their annual convention, called for elimination of television programs glorifying crime and violence and ordered that a copy of their resolution be sent to the National Association of Broadcasters.

The 2,800 men and 800 women auxiliary delegates unanimously approved a resolution demanding that “television programs glorifying crime and violence be henceforth eliminated from all local and national television stations, particularly between the hours of 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. for the benefit of the mental health of our children.”

AN AMENDMENT added from the floor directed national officers to present the resolution to representatives of the broadcasters organization.

In another action, the Catholic War Veterans reaffirmed their policy to “oppose any legislation which permits or advocates birth control by artificial means.”

Guides to States—Guides to all states and many of the larger cities in the U.S. are available at Rochester Public Library. There are also guides to many foreign countries.

Station Gets TV Patroness Painting

Cleveland—(RNS)—A Franciscan priest, Father Maximus Poppy of St. Joseph Friary here presented WEWS television station with a painting of St. Clare on the feast of the saint who is the world patroness of television.

The painting was done by a nun at the Poor Clare Sisters (Olethines) convent here, the order founded by St. Clare in the 13th century.

It was commissioned by James C. Harranan, WEWS general manager and a Catholic. W. EWS, owned by Scripps Howard Radio Inc., carries the TV show “Inside the Catholic School-Is.”

Poppy, the XII named St. Clare patroness of television in February of this year. A contemporary of St. Francis of Assisi, she was canonized by Pope Alexander IV in 1255.



MRS. JOSEPH BALLISTER



MRS. JAMES PIZZONE

Ballister - Putz Wedding Held

The marriage of Margaret Mary Putz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Putz of Lay St., and CN Joseph J. Ballister, USA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Ballister of Taylor St., took place in St. Andrew Church on Aug. 16. Monsignor George W. Eckl, pastor, officiated.

Miss Dorothy Sullivan, Miss Virginia Ballister and Miss Carol Sue Myers, Debra Massa was flower girl, and John Putz, ring bearer. Gary Marragato was best man and ushering guests were Frank Farsace, James Pilato and Paul Piplone.

Nuptials Held At Cathedral

Elizabeth Teresa March and James Anthony Pierez Jr. were united in marriage Aug. 16 at Sacred Heart Cathedral. The Rev. John Roach, assistant at Holy Apostles Church and cousin of the bride, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. Marsh of Clay Ave. and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Pierez of Howard Rd.

Miss Patricia Marsh was maid of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Miss Joan Pierez, sister of the groom and Miss Carol Marsh, sister of the bride. Catherine Marsh was flower girl.

Best man was William Farrell and ushers were Anthony Cappini, Michael Capierchio, Archie Cappotelli and Wilfred Wagner.

The bride is a graduate of Nazareth College and the groom is a graduate of St. John Fisher College.

Library Tours—The Rochester Public Library will be glad to arrange a conducted tour of its main library building at South Avenue and Court Street, for any group requesting it.



MRS. MICHAEL LAMENDOLA

Back To School

By Mary Lennon Snyder

“Going back to school” seems to be the theme of the last week of August, for everywhere one turns he is reminded of the Labor Day with the inevitable re-opening of school is drawing close. This has a special significance for different groups. We all nod sympathetically and reminiscently as we observe the youngest members of the school population take their initial steps on the long road of modern education.



Mrs. Snyder

There are the good students who truly like school. Some of these, endowed with the magic combination of intelligence and ambition, find school so suited to their interests and talents that we say they “sail through.”

They sometimes remind me of the Roman generals who returned in a triumphal procession to Rome. With their heads wreathed in laurel and driving their conquests before them they accepted the shouts and adulation of the admiring throng.

BUT THERE is still another group of students who deserves our attention, and these are the boys and girls who dislike school. Previous generations of parents solved this problem by letting the unhappy child go out and find employment, but the compulsory school attendance laws of today force these youngsters to remain.

Modern educators have been criticized by many for trying in

various ways to make the course of study more interesting and useful for these boys and girls. However, it is not my intention here to discuss this problem in any of its larger aspects, but rather in particular instances, for there no doubt are readers of this column who have children for whom school is a more or less unhappy experience and of ten an unrewarding one.

If a parent finds that he has a child who dislikes school, it seems to me that the parent should examine his own attitude toward school. Children can suffer from a conflict of loyalties.

Such a situation can easily arise when the parent is constantly vocalizing petty criticisms of the school in general and the teacher in particular. How often in the course of a year one hears some parents say, “That seems to me to be a pretty funny way to run a school” or “I hope that teacher knows what she is doing.”

These frivolous remarks do not disturb an adult but instead of strengthening a child’s confidence in his teacher as a rightful representative of the parent, the latter seems to suggest that he disapproves of the teacher, thus thoroughly confusing the immature mind.

THE RETURN to school of the student who dislikes school reminds me of a quotation from Hawthorne who remarked “In cases of distasteful occupation, the second day is generally worse than the first; we return to the rack with all the soreness of the preceding torture in our limbs.”

And so it is with the student who dislikes school. The school authorities make every effort to adjust the work to the student’s needs, but often the anti-school atmosphere unconsciously fostered in the home, keeps the child from getting the most out of his education.

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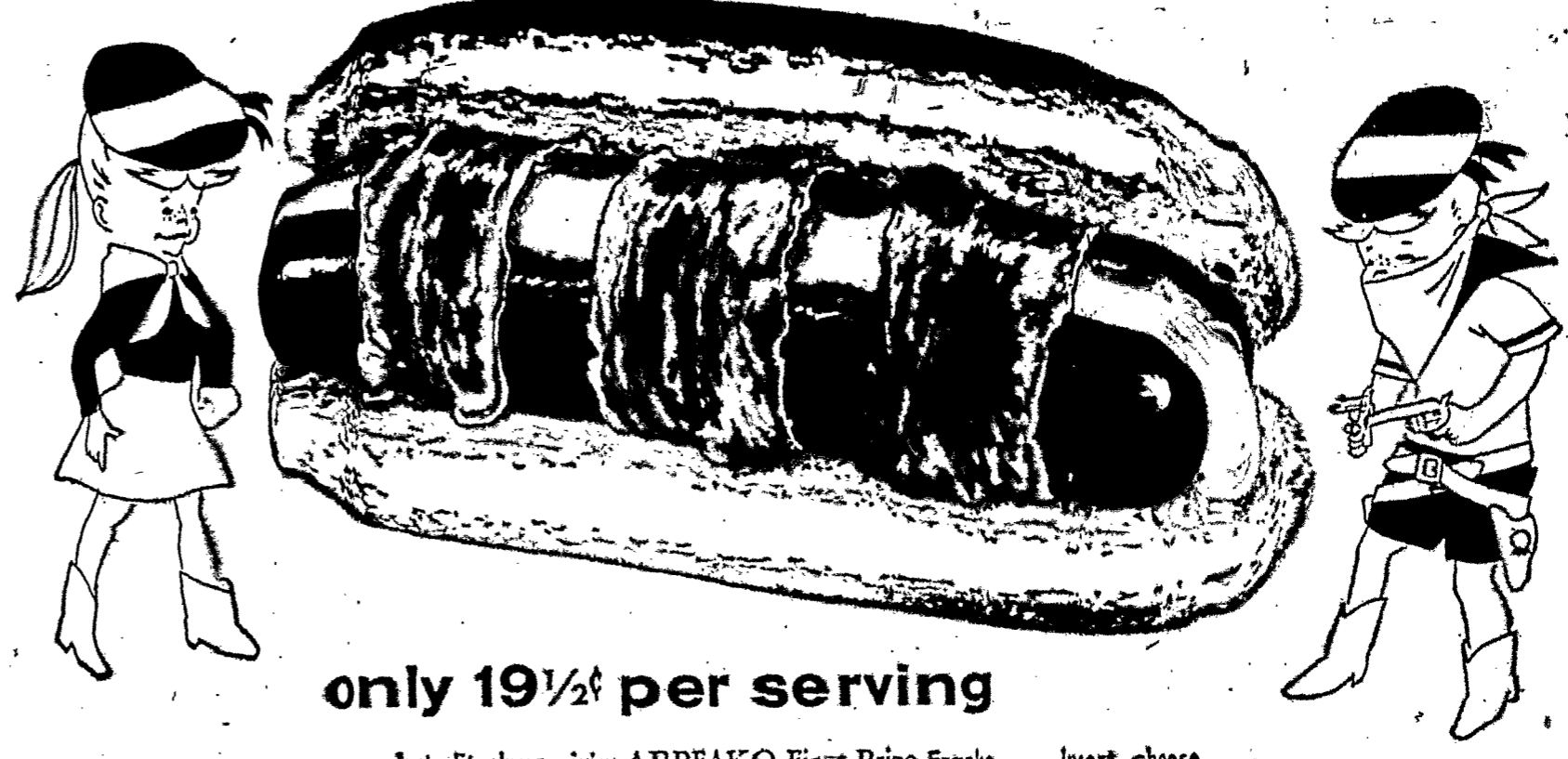


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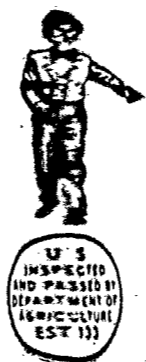
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