

Father O'Brien Blesses Graves.

Owego — "When passing through one of our cemeteries, we are often greatly impressed by an outstanding monument which may be standing alongside of some simple one. We quickly, in our minds, compare the apparent wide range of worldly success of the two persons.

"We fail to take into consideration the equality of all mortals, after death, when the bodies of both the rich and the lowly will return to the dust of the earth." These were the words of Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's parish, at the blessing of the graves in St. Patrick's cemetery, on Sunday.

The exercises opened with recitation of the Rosary by Rev.

Paul Briganti of St. Anthony's Church, Endicott, who is preaching the sermons during the Forty Hours Devotion.

Also taking part were Rev. Michael L. Reagan, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's, and Rev. Albert Babel of Binghamton. Following the sermon, the members of the clergy and the altar boys, formed the procession walking through the cemetery, blessing the graves.

CHICKEN BARBECUE

Owego — Girard L. Gavin, president of the Holy Name Society, appointed Matthew Williams and James Cavatola as co-chairmen of a committee making arrangements for a chicken barbecue to be served by members of the society.

A poster contest among the pupils of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades of St. Patrick's School will be held for the promotion of the sale of tickets.

The supper will be served in the church hall, Saturday, Sept. 27, from 5 to 8 p.m.

ELKS LEADER

Owego — J. Edmond Morton, a member of St. Patrick's Parish, will soon begin his official visits as district deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, B.P.O. Elks, for the South Central New York District.

Morton is the fourth member of the Owego Lodge to receive this honor. He is a trustee of St. Patrick's Parish and secretary-treasurer of the Holy Name Society.

THE FALL program of the immaculate heart of Mary Church's Catholic Women's Club of Painted Post got off to a flying start with Karl Friedrich, a German seminarian, a guest speaker. From left, Mrs. Robert Maurer, president; the Munich, Germany, theology student, and Mrs. Stanley Manning, treasurer.



Woman's Club Hears German Seminarian

Painted Post—The initial Fall meeting attracted about 50 members of the Catholic Women's Club to the immaculate heart of Mary Church last Monday. Guest speaker was Karl Friedrich, a seminarian from Freising, Munich, Germany, who presented an interesting religious talk, "Religious Life in Germany," with appropriate pictures of the seminary.

Mrs. Robert Maurer, president, conducted a short business meeting. A rummage sale is to be held at the church hall Sept. 19 and 20 with Mrs. Joseph Smith as chairman and Mrs. David Maunox, co-chairman.

Mrs. Stanley Manning headed the committee for the meeting assisted by Mrs. Willy Friedrich, co-chairman, Mrs. Julian Adams, Mrs. Michael Bondy, Mrs. Lawrence McIntyre, Mrs. Raymond Frayley, Mrs. William Pease, Betty Gales, Helene Casey, Mrs. August Stenger, Mrs. Edward Young, Mrs. Philip Ruocco and Mrs. Frederick Johnson.

Delegates Head For Convention

A delegation of women representing the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will leave this weekend for St. Louis to attend the 29th national convention of the National Council of Catholic Women, Sept. 20-24.

Included in this delegation will be Mrs. Joseph E. Schnorr, a national director, representing the diocesan councils of New York State; Mrs. F. P. Hommel, Watkins Glen, diocesan delegate; Jane Reed of Ithaca, Stella Zawadzki, Josephine Zawadzki, Rita Gorky and Sophie Czizala of Rochester, and Frances Merriman of Geneva. Rev. E. Leo McManus, moderator of the Rochester Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, will also attend.

Some 3,500 official delegates are expected in St. Louis from 101 other diocesan councils and the Military Council of Catholic Women in Europe. The National Council of Catholic Women has a total of 11,250 affiliated organizations.

The convention theme, "With In The Folds of Her Mantle," was selected by the NCCW board of directors in observance of the centennial of the appearance of the Blessed Virgin to St. Bernadette at Lourdes, France.

Corning Weddings

Corning—Miss Gertrude Dean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Dean of Buffalo, became the bride of James A. Galvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Galvin of Corning, in a double ring ceremony performed in Holy Family Church, Buffalo, on August 23.

The Rev. McCormick performed the ceremony and celebrated Nuptial Mass.

The maid of honor was Miss Mildred Luty of Buffalo. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Neile Dean of Buffalo and Miss Ellen Galvin of Corning, sister of the groom. They all wore identical gowns styled like the honor attendants and carried similar bouquets. The bride's new, Patricia Peckling of Buffalo, was flower girl.

Thomas Galvin of Corning was best man for his brother, while ushers were Joseph of Rochester, James Aket of Corning and William Glinski of Buffalo.

Evening Mass Closes 40 Hours

Addison — An Evening High Mass closed Forty Hours Devotions at St. Catherine's Church, Sept. 10, with Father Antonius, O.F.M. of Padua Seminary, Watkins Glen, as celebrant.

The Litany of the Saints was chanted by Rev. Michael L. Reagan, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Owego and Rev. Vincent Collins, assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, Hornell, with the following priests giving the responses in unison: the Reverend Fathers John Brill, James Malley, James Baker, Harold Rogers, Joseph Reinhart, William O'Brien, Francis T. Turner.

There was a processional of the Most Blessed Sacrament through the church in which all the visiting priests participated. The services were concluded with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Father Antonius as celebrant.

Cardinal's Will Benefits Church

Chicago — (NC) — In a simply worded last will and testament, the late Cardinal Samuel Stritch left all but \$1,000 of his "known and unknown" possessions to the Catholic Bishop of Chicago, a corporate sole.

The former Archbishop of Chicago, who died in Rome on May 26, asked that \$1,000 be used as offerings for Masses for the repose of his soul.

In a petition filed with his will, his property was estimated at about \$33,000. The will was filed with Bernard J. Korzen, clerk of the probate court.

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Corning Deaths

Corning—Herbert H. Spear of 108 Mechanic Ave., Endicott, died at that city Saturday, Sept. 6, 1938, following a brief illness. The body was brought to Corning for prayers at the A. W. Beilby and son funeral home the following Tuesday with Requiem Mass here at St. Mary's Church. Burial took place in St. Mary's Cemetery, Corning.

He was employed for many years with the Endicott-Johnson Shoe Company at Endicott. He was also a member of St. Anthony's Church there. Spear had visited his sister, Mrs. Cora Wenderich of West Second Street, on several occasions and was known in Corning.

Surviving are a brother, Francis of Johnson City; three sisters, Mrs. Harry Campbell of Endicott, Mrs. George Howell of Endicott and Mrs. Wenderich of Corning. There are also several nieces and nephews.

Corning—The funeral of Gerold F. Farrell of 82 Norman St., a former Corning police commissioner and a Southside clothing merchant for 40 years, was held last Saturday with prayers at the A. W. Beilby and son funeral home followed by Requiem Mass in St. Mary's Church. Burial took place in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mr. Farrell, 65, died at his home Sept. 11, 1938, following a lengthy illness during which time he had undergone several major operations in New York City hospitals.

He served as police commissioner during the administration of Mayor Howard F. V. Cole in 1948-1950. He was a member of St. Mary's Parish, its Holy Name Society, Corning Lodge of Elks and the Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, Ethel, one son, Richard of Corning; one daughter, Mrs. John Troy of Binghamton; one brother, Ambrose Farrell of Brooklyn; two grandsons and two granddaughters.

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Fordham To Translate Soviet Medical Reports

New York—(NC)—Under a U.S. Government grant of \$75,000, Fordham University will embark this year on the preparation of summaries and abstracts of available Russian medical literature for use by members of the medical profession.

The areas to be reported on at Fordham in coming months include basic protein research, infectious diseases, public health, neuropsychology, physiology, and radiology.

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With the written consent of their parents, these children are allowed one hour each week for Religious Instructions during the school hours.

High school pupils receive one full credit for four years of satisfactory completion of the course.

An increase in the number of pupils enrolled is anticipated. Parents are requested to cooperate with both the church and school authorities for the successful operation of the program.

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