

## Hospital Nuns

Sister Marie Michael, education director; Sister M. Karen, instructor in fundamentals of nursing; Sister Mary Christopher, clinical instructor; and Sister M. Juliana, science instructor, all of St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing were in Rochester this week attending the meeting of the New York State League for Nursing.

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## DOINGS AT THE DALY'S

By Mary Tinley Daly

The annual "Christmas in October" season has come to our house—time for sending as gay a holiday box as we can fix up. It is a joy to our friends in the East Zone of Germany.

It takes a bit of figuring, that's true. Weight of the box can be only 22 pounds and combined length-plus-girth a maximum of 72 inches. However, with planning it can bring a Merry Christmas to a family suffering illness and hardship.



Mary Tinley Daly

When we first knew Gertrud and her family, the little German girl was 11 years old. Now she is a young lady, about Eileen's age. We met through correspondence when a newspaper in which the names of Markie and Mary appeared was strapped around a parcel sent to a neighbor of Gertrud's family. She wrote to the girls, they wrote back and we have been friends ever since.

Though we have never met, and probably never will on this side of the Peary Gates, this family, we feel, is an extension of ours—as we hope, ours is an extension of theirs.

Years ago there were few restrictions so we were able to send a big Christmas box of much-needed supplies, used winter coats, suits and dresses, shoes and warm underthings. We could also include nutritious canned meat, poultry and fish; a fat fruit cake, plum pudding, candy, the coffee that is such a treat and toys and gimmicks.

SUCH BULK must have been hard to handle for the postal authorities have put on new restrictions, though one can send 12 gift parcels a year to the same recipient. This year, we've been negligent—simply putting things aside for Gertrud and her folks rather than shipping them off monthly. Suddenly, we find it's Christmas deadline for mailing, and we're faced with decisions.

With that 22-pound maximum in mind, we weighed the warm, serviceable garments: coat, five pounds; shoes ladies and girls, two; mens, three; suits, two-to-three pounds; sleepwear, sweaters, skirts—why it came to 20 pounds.

We reevaluated. "Let's send the sweaters, skirts and shoes," Markie suggested, "and leave room for food and some 'presenty' things. Then next month we can send the other duds."

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## Christmas In October

Seemed sensible, so we reluctantly set aside the heavier garments, hoping that the winter in East Germany would be mild until these things could be mailed in November, to arrive in mid-January.

THE BOOK in the post office told us that we could send "no invisible ink," firearms or war materials, also no phonograph records, tape recordings, etc.—well, we had no idea of sending such things anyway.

Then we came to what we wanted to send and found: "No more than eight and three-quarter ounces coffee; eight and three-quarter ounces cocoa; ten and one-half ounces chocolate (including chocolate covered candy); one and three-quarter ounces tobacco." Also, the gimmicks that has had us stymied for the past several years. "No tin cans or hermetically sealed containers."

Well, that precluded the possibility of the canned meats and the like.

With the book in mind, we did the marketing, carefully weighing in eight and three-quarter ounces of coffee in the bean (grinding the remainder of the pound for family consumption); bought dried fruit, a pound of English walnuts to shake in to fill the cracks after the box was packed. We weighed our small set fruit cake, three pounds, four ounces, wrapped it in aluminum foil.

This evening we had our "weighing in" party. With the bathroom scales in the middle of the kitchen table, we piled the articles into the 72 boxes in order of their priority: the pitifully small amount of food, a few fruit volleys for Gertrud's small nephew, pop-up toys, balloons and lollipops.

HOLDING OUR breath lest it would over-balance the scale, we added the gift wrappings and then piece by piece, the clothing we had fixed up the very best way we could.

All too soon, the needle registered 22 pounds, and that was that. Well, at least we could make the gifts look pretty in their red-and-green wrappings—and the final touch of the waltzes that slid into all the cracks. Finally, the strong brown paper, the heavy string that the Head of the House pulled tightly around the parcel. Once more, we addressed it to our friends, marked it GESEHENKENDUNG, KEINE HANDELSWARE (Gift Shipment—no commercial goods).

With a Merry Christmas wish, it starts off tomorrow.



### Association Names Officers

THESE ARE the newly elected officers of the St. Bernard's Seminary Alumni Association. Seated, left to right, are Rev. Robert J. Shea of Hartford, president, and Rt. Rev. Msgr. Robert E. Dillon of Syracuse, vice president. Standing, left to right, are Rev. Richard C. Crumlish of Buffalo, secretary; Rev. Robert F. McNamara of Rochester, historian, and Rev. George S. Wood of Rochester, treasurer.

### Parish Dance, Party Slated

A parish party and dance sponsored by the Holy Name Society of Saint Peter and Paul's Parish, Elmira, is scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 20, from 7:30 to midnight in the parish gymnasium.

Charles Bischof, president of the Holy Name Society, appointed Howard DeWitt, the general chairman of the program, and Francis C. Coker and Joseph J. Jr., the assistant chairmen. They will be assisted by Charles Bischof, John Lawrence, John Mastrolilli and William O'Brien and other members of the Holy Name Society.

Ray Peterson and his orchestra will provide the music for the round and square dancing and Mrs. O. G. Stever and the members of the Immaculate Heart Society will provide the refreshments. John S. Tripoli of the Society of Our Lady will take charge of the check book.

## AMONG WOMEN

### Influence On The World.

By Mary Lennon Snyder

"You lay state puts you in constant contact with the world," Pope Pius reminded the members of the Third Order of St. Dominic at their audience with him in late August.

"The newspapers, radio and television are already in the midst of your families, carrying in to the home all the confusion of the news from the outside world," Mrs. Snyder says. "Some of your relatives, friends and acquaintances will be less open to the ideal of Christian perfection, less exacting in their concepts of life, hostile perhaps to the restraints upon what is improperly understood as liberty."

"If the surroundings of your labor you are side by side with the best and the worst—the indifferent, the skeptic, the atheist—it will not always be possible for you to avoid having your relaxation invaded with occasions of temptation. Your social contacts may perhaps to accept a certain luxury, a certain worldliness."

"And what vain conversations there are and time lost, all simply because you must avoid displeasing someone or because there are accepted conventions."

"THUS IN every moment, your conscience should make its decisions without want of charity and without violating the even-

gelic spirit. Still more, it should show itself openly, but without ostentation or bravado, to be a disciple of Jesus crucified. Your apostolic ideal, illuminating and your decisions, will show you all the concrete forms which your spirit of detachment and penance ought to take.

"It is a matter of knowing in fact whether you will conquer the world or whether the world will conquer you by its materialism. Its scepticism, its frenzy for enjoyment and levity and its narrow and selfish outlook.

"Truly to preserve your fervor intact in surroundings which constantly draw you toward mediocrity, much courage is necessary, much trust in grace and much generosity in overcoming the heart and the senses with meditation.

"But the efficacy of your testimony depends strictly upon the quality of your interior life and your will to give to the Lord not the least part of yourselves, but the greatest part possible, in the courageous acceptance, full of the impulse of daily sacrifice, in fulfilling in your members, according to the expression of St. Paul, that which lacks to the sufferings of Christ."

"AS WE HAVE already pointed out in our Allocation of October 3, 1957, to the Second International Congress of the Lay Apostolate, the Church and the hierarchy look to the laity, to those above all who form an elite who would give their own cooperation.

"You therefore have responsibilities to assume in Catholic Action which will give best expression to the value of your spiritual resources, adapting them to a field of action in accordance with your capacities."

"Their (the Third Order members) influence for good can be of great weight and can contribute much to the program of the reign of God in the modern world."

"I wish to thank Fr. Feeney and the Sisters of St. James' convent, also all my relatives and friends for their kindness and thoughtfulness during my illness and stay in Belleville Hospital, (Catholic Hill, Dept. 3110, St. Ontario, Canada). Rose Farrell

### Travel News

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THE LAST SUNDAY OF OCTOBER is an important day for every Catholic. On this great day we shall renew our loyalty to Christ the King. It will be an important day for SESTER MARIE and SISTER CLEMENTINE. They wish to serve THE KING in a special way. It is their hope to enter the novitiate at Beirut. They have gone as far as they can by themselves; now each Sister must have a benefactor who will pay \$150 a year for the two year period of training... Are you the answer to a Nun's prayer? You may pay the money in any manner convenient while your "adopted daughter" prepares to serve THE KING in a special way.

### HOW DEAD CAN YOU BE?

This is a foolish question, but from many of us it would receive an embarrassing answer. It is a most cherished doctrine of our faith that the dead continue to live in glory or in suffering, and it is also a fact of our experience that too often our dead cease to live in the hearts of those who remain. We have the very best of intentions. But gradually the stress and strain of life clouds and finally covers the memories of our loved ones. Our Mother the Church knows our weakness and she is mindful of how easily we forget, so she sets aside the month of November for the memory of the Holy Souls. She suggests that during this hallowed month we remember our dead in prayers, sacrifice and Masses. Your missionaries of the Near East will be most happy to receive your Mass offerings for your departed ones. If you wish the Masses to be offered during the month of November it will be necessary to send us your intentions immediately. DO IT TODAY!

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