

St. Bona Band, Chorus To Highlight AOH Show

The Msgr. John J. Lee Division, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will sponsor a musical Variety Show Saturday night, April 18 at 8:15 in the Notre Dame High School Auditorium.

The show, scheduled for the second straight year by the Hibernians, will feature the St. Bonaventure University Concert Band and Male Chorus.

In addition to selections by the 40-piece band and the 30-voice chorus, several solo numbers will highlight the two-hour program.

The two musical groups will be directed by the Rev. Paul J. O'Higgins, O.C.M., head of the Department of Music at St. Bonaventure.

The event marks the fourth annual visit of St. Bonaventure musical organizations.

The show, originally built around a show club, has been broadened to include the concert band, which not only offers a more ambitious program, but also one covering music of many moods.

Proceeds of the show will be used by the AOH for the division's youth work program. This program includes such projects as the division's annual essay contest, open to all Chesham County grammar and high school students, and an annual award to an outstanding male student graduating from Notre Dame High School.

JOHN R. BATTERSBY and Bernard E. Tighe were named co-chairmen of the event last month. They report that two committees meetings have been held.

The completion of the selection of committees will be made at a meeting Friday night, March 20 at 8:30 in Columbus Center.

Tickets went on sale this week and may be obtained from any Hibernian member. Tickets are \$1.00.

Legion Birthday Marked By Post

The Streb-Lappan-Klem Post No. 1591 of the American Legion set up a program of bowling to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the American Legion.

A FEAST WAS held at the Knights of Columbus bowling alleys on Chestnut Street on Saturday, March 14.

Donald E. Robinson and Frederick J. Heier were co-chairmen.

A total of 103 pints were contributed.

GOD LOVE YOU!
By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

Think of a pastor in the United States with a parish of 2,500 souls. Then ask yourself just what the pastor would do if one day there came to his rectory door 1,500 men asking to receive instructions for the faith. Suppose further that as he made inquiries among the first group another group of 3,500 men appeared on the scene and asked to be received into the Church. Impossible, but not impossible. It has happened—but not in the United States.

This exact situation actually happened in Qui-nhon, South Vietnam. But why so many conversions there and so very few here? One of the new converts gave this reason to his Bishop: "For ten years the Communists have been persecuting Christ and His Church by every possible means. They have scolded and ridiculed religion at every turn. However, the more they crushed it, the more Catholicism stood up and in spite of themselves the Communists opened the road to the Church. Above all, it was the Catholic exodus of 1954 and the example of Christian life given by Catholics in hell prisons that convinced us of the spiritual value of the Divine religion in the daily life of believers."

In prosperous America conversions number three per priest per year; in persecuted Vietnam conversions number over one hundred per priest per year. The answer is not to wish for persecution, but to share the persecution through sacrifice. As St. Paul said to early Christians and could say to us now: "Your battle against sin has not yet called for bloodshed." But it has called for self-denial.

It does not seem right and just that the per capita spent by Catholics in the United States for tobacco is \$36 per year and only 50¢ per year for the 1,500,000,000 pagans in Mission lands. Because God has spared us persecution, help reap the fruits of conversion in the Missions by sending every week the equivalent of what you spend on cigarettes. Send your sacrifices to the Holy Father through his own Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

GOD-LOVE YOU to A.R. for \$50... to one who calls himself "A Sinner" for \$3. "Overtime pay. May it help someone who labors without any pay."... to J.M. for \$8 "We feel sure that we have been blessed because of our past donations to the Missions—we will continue in the future."... to M.M. for \$10 "In thanksgiving for past favors from Our Blessed Mother."

Why not place a statue of Our Lady of Television stop your TV set. Then as you sit comfortably watching the 7 or 11 o'clock news, cast a quick look at the statue. That glance will remind you that far more important news is being reported daily, the good news of the Gospel, by the Holy Father's 135,000 missionaries in the pagans of the world. Send us your sacrifice-offering of \$5 alone with your request for the Statue of OUR LADY OF TELEVISION and we will send one to you.

Cut out this column, pin your sacrifice to it and mail it to Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 306 Fifth Avenue, New York 10017, N.Y., or your Diocesan Director, Rev. George S. Wood, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester 4, New York.

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DOOR OPENS every year at St. Andrew's Seminary to young men wishing to devote their lives in Christ's service. Students shown above from Rochester's Diocesan minor seminary are from left Joseph Russo, third year student from Geneva; Terry Hoey, first year, Auburn; and Robert Maglin, third year, Rochester.

Today's Youngsters Know Where They're Going

By ROBERT SMETT

Teenagers are more concerned about the future than most adults would imagine.

In a Courier-Journal survey this week of some six hundred area students, very few, even at the eighth grade level, were without a definite goal or occupation in mind.

A large percentage of the eighth-grade youngsters had decided already in favor of a religious vocation. The survey showed that interest in the life of a priest or a Sister increases through the high school years.

COLLEGE CAMPUSES do not count a great number of religious vocations since most aspirants to the priesthood or the convent have already "taken the step" and are receiving their higher education in seminaries and novitiates.

Boys with the priesthood in mind may start their training immediately after grade school graduation. St. Andrew's Seminary on Buffalo Road provides a complete high school education with special emphasis of studies needed for the priesthood.

Girls, desiring to become Sisters, ordinarily enter novitiates following high school graduation.

The day of wanting to be a fireman, a cowboy or an Arctic explorer, seems to have passed for grammar school youngsters. These days, when a boy says that he wants to be an engineer

Plan Symposium
Notre Dame, Ind.—Plans for a University of Notre Dame symposium on "Values in American Society" March 23-24 were announced here today by Dr. John J. Kane, head of the sociology department.

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TV Lecture Slated At Fisher College

Dr. H. Marshall McLuhan, of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, will address the students of St. John Fisher College today (Friday) at 12 noon in the Rosina O'Doherty Kearney auditorium.

"TV as a Medium of Teaching in Higher Education" will be the subject of Dr. McLuhan's talk.

DR. McLUHAN is a graduate of Cambridge University and the University of Manitoba. Prior to coming to St. Michael's, he taught at the University of Wisconsin, University of St. Louis, and Assumption College.

From 1953 to 1955, he was a co-chairman of the Ford Seminar on Culture and Communication. He is also co-editor of the Seminar publication "Explorations."

ND Registration Hits All Time High

Freshman registration for the Fall term at Notre Dame High School, Elmira reached the highest total in the five year history of the school according to information released by Sister M. Raphael, school principal.

In the two-day period over last week and a total of 100 applied for admission and it is fully expected that the figure will reach 200, the limit set by school officials, before the end of this week.

Based on these figures and present enrollment, Notre Dame will open in September with an all time registration in excess of 500.

place. For the boys, electronics has lost some of its glamor with the largest number now showing a leaning towards a business career, seconded, as with the girls, by the life of a teacher.

THE SAME interest in education continues through to the college graduate, where it then accounts for some twenty-five per cent of the young women and an almost equal number of men.

At in high school, however, the greater number of the male students look forward to a business career.

And, with the exception of those young women who plan entering the religious life, all the ladies are determined "within a reasonable time" on marriage and a family.

At the high school level, the scales still tip heavily towards a secretarial career for the girls, with teaching in second

Area Schools Active In Jesuit Stamp Contest

Five schools of the Rochester Diocese are active participants in the annual Woodstock College Stamp Contest.

Participating schools are: Annunciation School, Mercy High School, McQuaid Jesuit High School, Rochester; Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmira; and De Sales High School, Geneva. They are joined by more than 75 schools of 17 dioceses in eastern United States.

THE CONTEST, sponsored by the Jesuit School of Theology in Woodstock, Maryland, has the twofold aim of inspiring interest in the mission role of the church and of giving young Catholics an easy way of making their present contribution to that role.

By the end of the school year and the close of the contest, these schools will have contributed approximately 300 pounds of used stamps to the mission, with a value of more than \$1,000.00.

There is a monthly award for the school in the lead at the end of each month. At the end of the year, an award of \$50.00 will be made to the school with the highest total poundage of stamps sent to Woodstock.

THE WOODSTOCK contest and stamp exchange are probably the oldest in the United States. The stamp exchange has been operating for more than 30 years and during that time has managed to send more than \$70,000 to the missions. During the past year, \$6,000.00 was raised through the contributions of stamps by school children and adults from all parts of the world.

Jesuit in charge of the contest this year is Mr. Thomas J. Fitzpatrick, S.J., of Rochester. Mr. Fitzpatrick, now studying theology at Woodstock College, is assigned to the Philippine Islands, mission of the Society of Jesus.

A graduate of Aquinas Institute, he studied philosophy at Cebu College in the Islands. From 1955-1958 he taught at the Ateneo de Cagayan, Cagayan de Oro City, P.I.

Area students nominated are: Marjorie J. Steink, Laura J. Wisbart, Rochester, N.Y.; Marianne Gordon, Avon; John F. Asiello, Corning, N.Y.

Students Named To Honor Group
Niagara University, N.Y.—Four students from the Rochester Diocese have been nominated for Alpha Sigma, campus honor society at Niagara University.

The aims of the society are to foster greater efficiency in scholarship, athletics and the social life of the campus.

Area students nominated are: Marjorie J. Steink, Laura J. Wisbart, Rochester, N.Y.; Marianne Gordon, Avon; John F. Asiello, Corning, N.Y.

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