

## Clothing Drive Tops 150 Tons

With reports of parish shipments of clothing completed by 100 parishes of the nearly 150 participating in the Bishops' Thanksgiving Clothing Collection, the diocesan total has mounted to almost 150 tons, according to a preliminary report released this week by the Rev. E. Leo McManus, diocesan director of the eleventh annual clothing campaign.

The total donated by the 100 parishes represents an increase of 21 per cent over their contributions in last year's collection. Last year 145 parishes contributed 168 tons of usable clothing and shoes.

OF THE 100 parishes reporting, 64 have recorded increases. Parishes which have more than doubled their previous contributions are St. Margaret Mary (6,240 lbs.), St. Theresa (548

lbs.), St. Boniface (8,732 lbs.) and St. Helen (3,259 lbs.) in Rochester; St. Leo, Hilton (2,033 lbs.), Holy Angels, Munda, and Holy Name, Groveland (673 lbs.), St. John, Newark Valley, and St. Francis, Catatonk (830 lbs.).

### Elmira Office Relocated

Catholic Courier Journal office in Elmira is now located in Room 317, Robinson Bldg., Lake Street, Elmira. This became effective Wednesday, Dec. 16, according to Basil Vallancourt, manager.

Students at St. Bernard's Seminary, who gave 567 lbs., quadrupled their previous contributions.

The final report of parish contributions will appear in the Courier when the remaining parishes will have filed with the diocesan director the reports of their shipments to the Bronx warehouse of the Catholic Relief Services-N.C.W.C., sponsors of the national clothing campaign.

## Corning Knights Plan To Sponsor Squires Unit

Corning—A Columbian Squires unit for boys 14 through 18 will be sponsored by Corning Council, Knights of Columbus, it was decided following a Council discussion session at the KC Home last week.

Mathias Fennell, director of the Columbian Squires in Elmira, spoke on his club, and said that membership had increased from 18 to 65 boys in one year.

District deputy Edward Claus of Elmira was present at the meeting, and praised the work of the council during the year.

DR. MANUEL VIERIRA of Bogota, Columbia, spoke on living conditions, industry, and opportunities in Columbia.

The Rev. Theophane Murphy, Council chaplain, spoke on the celebration of the feast of Christmas, and the Knights' membership drive, which will begin on Jan. 7.

Donald Gustins was appointed to the sick committee, and Robert McNally and Andrew Merriam were appointed to the Catholic activities committee by Grand Knight James Bothe.

Final plans were made for the adult and children's Christmas parties. It was announced that an orchestra would play at the children's party.

Forty-nine freshmen students of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing will receive their caps in traditional ceremonies in the school auditorium on Friday afternoon, Dec. 18. Bishop Kearney will preside at the capping exercises, starting at 4:30 p.m. and celebrate the Mass which will follow.

SISTER TERESA, Hospital Administrator, and Sister Frances, Director of Nursing, will place the cap, symbol of the nursing profession, on the head of each member of the Class of 1962. The class will then recite in unison their Pledge of Fidelity to Duty.

An added highlight of the ceremony will be the distribution of a silver medal of the Sacred Heart, Bishop Kearney's personal gift to each newly capped nurse.

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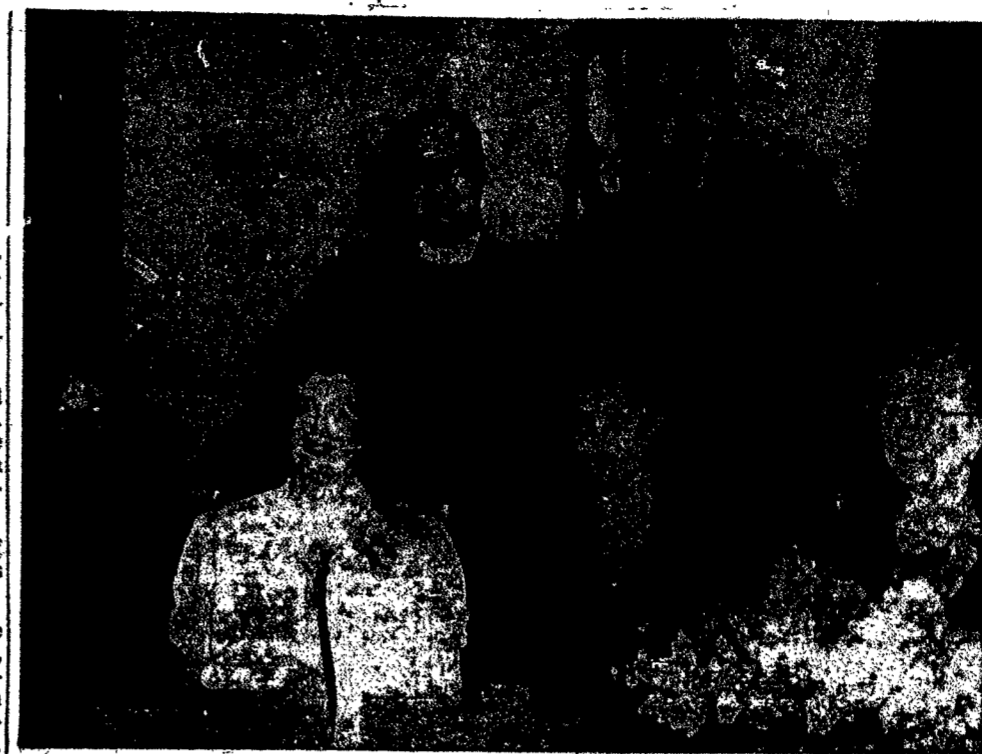
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MRS. DONALD MUNROE, second from left, was named the Catholic Daughter of the year 1959, at the annual Christmas dinner of Court St. Rose of Lima, Owego Thursday night, Dec. 10. Also shown in the picture are, seated, left to right: Mrs. Anna Meade, organist and chairman of the dinner; Mrs. Munroe, Mrs. James F. Hare, toastmistress and Mrs. Thomas Sheahan, Waverly, District Deputy. Standing are the Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's and chaplain of the Court and the Rev. Michael L. Reagan, assistant pastor. (Tubbs Photo)

## Mrs. Munroe Named By Catholic Daughters

By HELEN A. BROSNAN

Owego — Mrs. C. Donald Munroe, vice-grand Regent, and the mother of four children, was named Catholic Daughter of the year at the annual Christmas dinner of Court St. Rose of Lima, Catholic Daughters of America, Thursday, Dec. 10.

The dinner was served by the American Legion Auxiliary at the American Legion Home, Front St. Mrs. Anna Meade, general chairman of the committee on the dinner arrangements, made the announcement in the absence of the Grand Regent, who was ill.

Mrs. Munroe was presented with an orchid, a scroll commending her on her activities with the Catholic Daughters and a splendid example as a Catholic wife and mother. She was also presented with a statue of the Blessed Virgin.

Mrs. James R. Hare was toastmistress and she introduced the officers of the Court, the Rev. William J. O'Brien, pastor of St. Patrick's and chaplain of the Court, the Rev. Michael L. Reagan, assistant pastor and Mrs. Thomas Sheahan, of Waverly, District Deputy.

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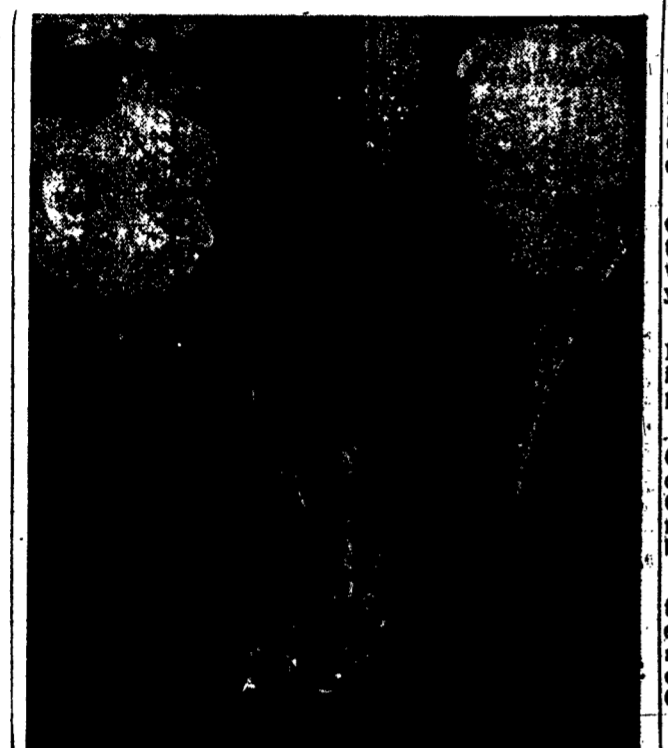
in the Owego-Apalachin Senior High School, gave a short program of Christmas hymns and songs. Two readings were given by Mrs. Dorothy Ames, Haines, N.Y. The affair was attended by about eighty members of the Court and their guests. Christmas gifts were exchanged, following the entertainment.

PARISH LISTED ON RADIO Owego—The Glee Club of St. Patrick's parish, according to the Church Bulletin, of December 13, will broadcast a program of Christmas hymns and carols, over Radio Station WEBO, on Sunday, Dec. 20.

The broadcast, which will be under the direction of John Dayve, will take place from 12:30 to 1 p.m.

THE GLEE CLUB was formed last year by the Rev. Michael L. Reagan, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church. The group has appeared before several organizations and has numerous engagements to present their program during the coming Christmas season.

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### Chaplain Receives Chalice

PRESENTED by Corning Assembly, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, the William Kady Memorial Chalice is accepted by Rev. William F. Nolan (left) Catholic Chaplain, U. S. Veterans Administration center, Bath. Presentation is made by Faithful Navigator Thomas V. Hanly of Corning Assembly.

## Owego Editorial Cites Southern Tier Pastor

Owego — Rev. Alexander Stec, 21 years pastor at Newark Valley and Catatonk, was editorialized in the Owego Times newspaper when Bishop Kearney named him to St. Stanislaus Church, Rochester.

Following is the text of the editorial as it appeared in the Friday, Nov. 20, issue:

OWEGO AND Northern Tioga residents were both pleased and saddened by the news this week of the appointment of Father Alexander Stec as pastor of St. Stanislaus Roman Catholic Church in Rochester.

Since 1938, this beloved priest has served the parishes of St. John's in Newark Valley and St. Francis in Catatonk with the unselfish devotion of a shepherd to his flock. Four of the years of his Tioga pastorates, he resided in Owego where he made a wide circle of close friends and admirers.

He will be genuinely missed in the actual areas where he served. Under his quiet but effective leadership both parishes have grown and flourished steadily. Existing buildings have been renovated and redecorated. New buildings have been erected. Needed equipment has been added. Church membership and attendance have moved ever forward. Youth activities have benefited.

IT IS DIFFICULT to assess the great good this fine priest has done without fanfare, almost anonymously. His high character and his dedication to his life's calling are respected by Catholic and Protestant alike. All will miss him.

He leaves for his new assignment, which is a well-merited promotion in ecclesiastical ranks of his church, with a record of outstanding achievement, spiritual and temporal, behind him. He departs also with the prayers and best wishes of hundreds of Tioga Countians for continued health, and success in his new pastorate.

MISSION HELPERS of the Sacred Heart.

A short business meeting consisting of reports by officers will be held. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Josephine Mellberg and her committee of Rosary Band Members. All women in the parish invited to attend.

MEMBERS ARE reminded to bring their gifts for the poor children of the parish. These gifts will be distributed by the

### Elmira Charities Office Makes Appeal For Needy

Eighty Elmira area families in need look to the Catholic Charities for aid at Christmas time, Miss Mary FitzGerald revealed this week.

"We are in urgent need of contributions from generous people to help us provide for these families," she said. The Charities director stated any amount donated would be welcome.

The Elmira Charities office is 312 Lake Street.

## Ithaca Women To Host Foreign College Students

Ithaca — The Rosary and Altar Society of the Immaculate Conception Church will hold a Christmas Party in Parish Hall on Monday, Dec. 21, following Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in Church at 7:45 p.m.

Foreign students attending Cornell University will be guests. A highlight of the evening will be the showing of the movie, "The Littlest Angel." Also, carols will be sung.

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