Mercy's Own Little Flower 'Bundle Of Brogue' Begins 100th Year

come too excited about sisters' birthdays, but last Sunday, May 15, the Sisters of Mercy on Blossom Road celebrated a birthday which is perhaps unique in the Diocese of Rochester; for in her sunny infirmary cell, Sis-ter Marcella—the last lay Sis-ter of the Rochester Mercys began her 100th year of life.

Whether by coincidence or Divine Providence, the Sisters of Mercy received Sister Marcells into the Order in 1885, the very same time that the cloist-ered walks of Carmel entelded Therese of Lisieux - the Saint whom Sister dearly loves and

And while the two "Little Flowers" lived miles apart in different communities, both walked the way of spiritual childhood. Today, Sister Marcells, who lived to see her counterpart canonized, reads every a vailable word about St. Therese, extols her virtues, quotes her wisdom, and preaches her "little way."

Sister Marcella was born Abigail Fitzpatrick in County Cork, Ireland, in 1861 when Lincoln was beginning his second turbu-lent year at President of the United States. Twenty - four years later, having since moved to Auburn, New York, she entered the Sisters of Mercy at the Motherhouse on South St.

AT THAT time young women each year; however, she has all to kneel at the deathbed of a who wished to do only the do ways made the retreat with the lay sister like Sister Marcella." At Corpus Christi, that parmestic work of a religious com-help of notes typed by some loverable asked to be received as ing novice, and often can give his munity asked to be received as ing novice, and often can give his the points better than of the nurses and the novices hary's, 16; Holy Redeemer, 15; Rochester, and did further gradiers who heard for themselves, who help in the infirmary. One and St. Andrew's, 16. Rochester, and did further gradiers who taught and carried on the novices admitted abyly. If

when the Community's new Constitutions were adopted. Sister postulant to the most publicly it is to be a teacher for God."

Marcella, who had formerly respected school administrator, chosen the last place in chapel At her bedside everyone related the refectory, humbly had ceives Sister's little "sermon" est concern for the work done in the class room. The girls and to take her place as the senior and goes away the wiser for it is the class room. The girls and boys in the chools, the young sisters in the teachers college the marcella's celebration, both prayers.

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Quastly and quickly, praying all about this joyens bundle of the while, she could knead and white flamed and Irish brogus, bake a batch of thirty loaves or bread — without the aid of electricity. Sister-teachers and parishlosers of St. Mary's, St. Mary's and Hely Cross parishlosers of St. Mary's, St. Mary's, St. Mary's, St. Mary's and Hely Cross parishlosers the little fixed everyone silks. She continually sought new ways to sister with the long white apren; make her cooking more appealing."

Don't Spare The Rod not forget her bread and cook- Eighty-seven-year old Sinter time principal at Mercy Righ

Perhaps the most unusual fact about Sister Marcella is her uncanny religious knowledge Polic Victims she has had very little formal education, Sister has read the Gain Grace lives of the Saints and the great spiritual writers all her religi-

en any virtue, and can pluck their sufferings. from memory missule incidents in the lives of St. Alphonsus.

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Gertrude and Catherine Em-Schools will close for Ascentine the control of their work, he said. been St. Aloysius' remark: It is the same with suffer-

convent kitchen or a postulant, folding clothes in the laundry has felt a gentle tugging on her Marcella softly offering to help

itself out to the young ears.

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sand flowers, Call BLANCHARD'S, You can be sure of the
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Sister Marcella's sermon - "Do everything for our dear Lord."

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ies brought to them by visiting Sisters of Mercy.

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This intense awareness of the nearness of God, Sister Marcella do the afflicted find out how spiritual reading: her Constitutions, the lives of the Saints and the lives of the Saints and the should be consulted for exact are those who weep and suffer.

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When Sister returns to her main closed through Memorial Day, Monday, May 31.

Thursday is a holy day on those with the beatitudes, in the lives of the Saints and the lend Mass. Parish achedules prescribed prayers of the Com-should be consulted for exact convent kitchen or a postulant.

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And in the course of their vorking together, the wisdom of the bent little Stater poured Surrender Worse Than War Typical of her joy of spirit was the remark she made when it condemns itself to a death difference will it make if I am deaf! I'll hear enough and be like to I condemns I. Dodd of Control of More."

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was she a "guardian magel" to Mother Mary Francesca — long-

or to receive the daily paper.

But what does a ninety-nine-

year old paralytic do all day? 5 Day Vacation

merich are her old standbys. Jaion Thursday, May 26, and re-

door of my office told me that at 4 p.m.

United States and its allies is communist control would mean chase the guarantee that there it this: "Do we value our free for America. | will be no war: death of soul, Even after she had lost most this: "Do we value our free for America. of her hearing, and had grown civilization enough to run all too old to carry on her haking the risks and meet all the chall "The revealed truths of re heart, if only the body is perduties, she still kept an eye out lenges which the communists ligion," he said, "would be mitted to live."

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still obediently attended all the strong program community prayers and spiritual sion of the St. John's Freedom program lectures.

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At the Cathodral, 285 will be confirmed in x 4 p.m. rite and 232 will receive the sacrament at Corpus Christi at 7:45 p.m.

other at Corpus Christi Church.

Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B.

Casey will administer the sacra-

nent, the sign of Christian ma-

Groundbreaking

To Honor Alice Foley

Most of the adults to be con- At its thirty third annual Comirmed are recent converts to mencement, to be held in the the Catholic Church.

Eastman Theater on Monday,
June 5, Nazareth College will
Parishes sending the largest award the honorary degree of
numbers to the Cathodral care Doctor of Letters to one of her mony are: the Cathedral parish most distinguished alumnae, itself, 35; St. Monica's, 22; Im- Miss Alice Foley,

maculate Conception, 20; Mother of Sorrows, 19, and St. majored in English, and received her Bachelor of Arts de-

> legrees, Miss Foley also holds ier School Psychologist Certi-

MISS FOLKY has had a varied career on all levels of the educational field, beginning with teaching in the elementary



In addition to her teaching this neglect was dramatized

ation and Certification Advis Migration." ory Council, Sixe is a member of the Board of Directors and The 28 nations Committee has a past president of the New had to find home for these Nork State Teachers Associa million people chiefly in Canalon, Central Western Zone.

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The D. Litt. degree which in their homelands.

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While Nikita Khrushchev heaped insult after insuit on America this week, this instructor in Education and nation's reputation was Psychology at both the Univer-further tarnished by a mansity of Rochener and the Brock-sive neglect for the world's port State College of Education, sive neglect for the world's refugees.

foley has served actively in sev- by the arrival in this country eral educational organizations, of Latvian ien year old Andreis She is a member of the Ad- Suritis, the millionin person to visory Board of Nurreth Col. be resettled by the Intergovernlege, and of the Teacher Edu-mental Committee for European

da, Australia, South America and Israel because U.S. immi-

ma, have elected her to member. Both Pape John XXIII and ship. She is also the auxhor of President Risembover have aparticles and papers published peaked for viscoupred sympathy in various educational journals, for the plight of refugees in various educational journals, partial by Community inhabover. Both Pape John XXIII and

of the community, the oldest and longest professed Sister of Mercy in Rochester.

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The WRY emphasis seds June 30 and our contribution to the program has fallon far sheet of expectations.

According to Religious News Service the only smergency ac-tion taken by Congress this year in behalf of refugees consists of al by the Sengie. Unless liberal-

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The legislation given Mile "A very worldly secularist pressed by President Minisheum and non-Unifician attitude" er early this year when he sout seems to be reflected more and a special message to Congress more in press, public life, and urging basic changes in U.S. the government, her declared. immigration laws. The Press. immigration laws. The Prostdent's proposals would doubte the present quota immigration, from 154.000 to about 300,000. and would authorize admission annually of at least 10,000 refu-

gees above the quota limits. Hardly had the President's message reached the House Walters (D.Penra), chairman of the House Immigration Subcommiliee, came out with a state. ment that the proposals had no chance of enectment.

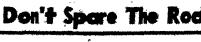
He commented caustically: "If anybody has any doubt as be when the Presidential election is to be held, this message ought to clear it up. The same thing came up four years age and will come up four years from

CONGRESSMAN Walter himself is the author of the bill that seems most likely in he anacted, if any. Introduced last year when it died in committer, the measure provided for an unspecified mamber of refu-gest under the mandate of the UN High Commissioner to enter the U.S. as pareless.

This year the refugee bill was taken from the abelf and dusted off, Congressman Walter held hearings on refugee legislation in general and his own bill in perticular.

Before passing the measure, the House Immigration Subcommittee amended it by kimiting to \$,000 the number of refugees to be admitted and by setting July 1962 as a terminal date.

The U.S. Committee for Refurest, a non-government group designated by President Electric hower to encourage public participation and on ing and coundinate private station in World Believe Year, said the House po



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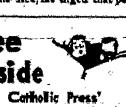
Then with a little chuckle land Ave, Rochester, is to be this growing suburb of Washand a twinkle in her eye the'd completed by December, 1961, ington, D.C.

> recalled that at a youth in his native linity he had a tendency to be "somewhat wild." As a result, he was frequently spanked by his parents, as well as being

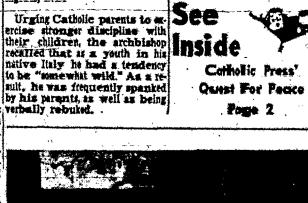


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"Bring Flowers of the Fairest"

Children throughout the Diocese this month take part in traditional May rifes invacing the Blemed Virgin Hary. At Fairport's School of Rullgion, three sets of kindergerien twins brought bouquets to our Laff's abrine. Lined up for the proposition are (atherine and Carelles Boung and Bradley Cross and Joyce and July Roblegon,