

# Pre-Cana Series To Open Sept. 4

Pre-Cana Conferences for Rochester area couples will begin on Sept. 4 at St. Stanislaus Hall, 813 Norton St. according to the Rev. Gerald E. Dunn, director of the diocesan Family Life Bureau, announcing the 1960-1961 series.

The talks in the series begin at 3 p.m. Sunday afternoons and last approximately two hours.

Eight complete series were conducted last year running from October through May. During that time more than 400 couples (800 persons) attended the courses.

"The series," Father Dunn said, "is continuing so that a couple can begin on any Sunday and complete the course in four weeks although it might be necessary to attend some of the conferences at a different church since there is only one complete series at any one church."

CERTIFICATES are given to the couples upon completion of the series. The course covers the general outline including the laws of God and nature pertaining to marriage; practical mental aspects (this talk is given by physicians and the approach to some of the problems (budget, laws, arguments, etc.); the physical and spiritual development through marriage.

The couple contemplating marriage will be given literature helpful in making their preparations and will be given ample opportunity to ask questions and seek advice from any of the speakers. There are no fees or obligations.

## St. Helen Men Slate Retreat

The Men's Retreat Committee of St. Helen's Parish held its kickoff meeting last Monday evening and reported 21 reservations for the 1960 retreat. With the retreat still a month away the committee is working for a record turnout.

The retreat will be held the weekend of September 23rd at Notre Dame Retreat House.

Any men of St. Helen's parish who would like to make the retreat are asked to call Patrick, extreme Union, marriage and funeral services.

## Father Shamon Listed By First Saturday Group

Rev. Albert J. Shamon, moderator of the First Saturday Mass and Breakfast will celebrate Mass Saturday, Sept. 3 at 9:00 A.M. in St. Joseph's Church on Franklin St. immediately following the Mass, breakfast will be served at the Franklin House. Price is \$1.50.

Father Shamon, author of "Behind The Mass," "Press Your Feet Unto," and "I Let It Sleep to Sanctify," has consented to speak on "Under Two Flags" (Church Fr. Shamon and State) one of several pamphlets he has written.

Hostess for the September breakfast will be Our Lady of Mercy High Alumnae Association. Miss Agnes Marie Conroy, president, will preside as toastmaster.

The First Saturday Mass and breakfast is sponsored by the Monroe County Council of Catholic Women. Mrs. Cyril Barker, president, and Rev. Joseph Reinhardt, moderator.

Reservations should be received by Mrs. James Hilbert, 146 Normandy Ave., ID. 6-8448 not later than Wed. Aug. 31. All Catholic women in the city are invited to attend Mass and breakfast. Reception of Holy Communion on the First Saturday.

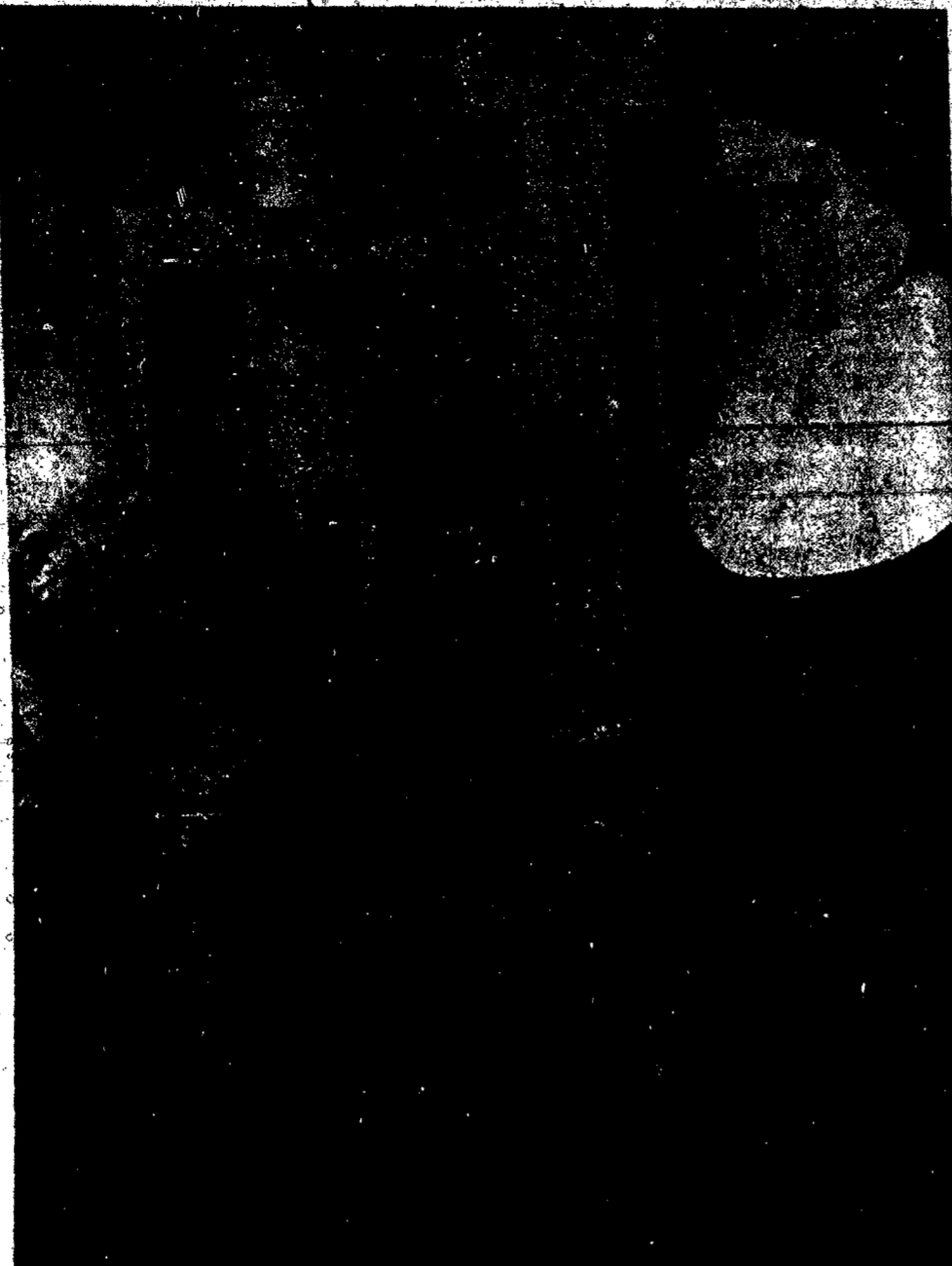
Example  
Sydney — (RNS) — Norman Cardinal Gilroy, Archbishop of Sydney, warned a group of fathers and mothers here that "the beautiful lessons taught by precept and example in the school" would bear fruit only if parents did not contradict them in their own homes.

He told a crowd at the dedication of a new wing at Santa Maria del Monte, a junior Roman Catholic school, that though parents were required to make many sacrifices in the interests of their children, no sacrifice was "so completely rewarding" as that of "exemplifying in the home the practice of virtue taught in the school."

"If pupils of 'del Monte' learn well to have a tender, confident devotion to the Rosary and persevere in reciting it regularly," he said, "they will carry into the world an invincible armor against the powers of evil — a positive inspiration to all that is good."

Rites With A Brogue  
Armagh — (RNS) — Catholic churches in Ireland were given Vatican permission to conduct certain services in English or Gaelic with the consent of the bishop of the diocese.

The permission covers Baptism, Holy Communion for the sick, extreme unction, marriage and funeral services.



Sister Elaine Theresa of St. Agnes confers with Frank J. Moles.

## Conclaves Draw Local Nuns

Four Sisters of the faculties in Troy, N.Y. The six-week, expense-free fellowship program is sponsored by the General Electric Foundation.

SISTER DOROTHY ELLEN, Mission Moderator at St. Agnes High School, will be panelist at the National Catholic Student Mission Crusade Convention to be held at Notre Dame University August 25-28.

Sister will discuss study programs of the C&M at the high school level before a group of five hundred high school teachers. The discussion will be based on the experiences of the Philippines.

Sister Edwardine of the Saint Agnes High School faculty will accompany Sister Pauline, and attend both of these conventions also.

SISTER EDWARDINE also will be a panelist at the High School Workshop of the American Catholic Sociological Society Convention to be held at Fordham.

Sister will discuss the topic "Population Movements and Trends" and contribute to the second area of "Labor and the Movement of Labor Force."

Sister Elaine Theresa, a member of the Social Studies Department at St. Agnes High School, was briefed by Frank J. Moles (photo) on the function of a low temperature flask in General Electronics cryogenics laboratory at Schenectady, N.Y.

The flask, capable of producing temperatures bordering on absolute zero, is used to explore properties of materials under varying conditions.

Sister Elaine Theresa was among the 180 high school social science teachers who studied economics this summer at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

## Priests Barred From Games

Rome — (RNS) — Priests may not attend women's or mixed sports events at the Olympic Games, Clemente Cardinal Micara, Vicar General for Rome, declared in an official announcement. Neither, he said, may priests attend boxing or wrestling contests, since these are considered as violent sports.

Cardinal Micara said that, under a concession granted by Pope John XXIII, foreign priests accompanying Olympic athletes may hear confessions for the full duration of the Games, or from the time they leave their home countries until their return.

THE CARDINAL voiced the hope that meanwhile contacts between Romans and the Olympic guests will be "marked not only by courtesy but also by understanding and respect for the spiritual values expressed by Catholic Rome."

As to the Games themselves, Cardinal Micara said that while the warmest welcome will be extended to the visiting teams, "there should be a just evaluation of sporting events, without fixing attention solely on their physical values."

## New President

Quincy, Ill. — (RNS) — The Very Rev. Plus Barth, O.F.M., of Indianapolis, Ind., was elected president of the Franciscan Educational Conference at the group's annual meeting here.



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