

Third Order Secular Of Saint Francis

by Fr. John McGulick, T.O.R.

Part III

The Founder of the Third Order

"The Lord gave to me, Brother-follower — a life of evangelical poverty modeled on the life of only his love for God, but also penance; for when I was in sin, Christ, now those same qualities which had made young Francis the gay leader in revels in the continuous struggle to see leprosy and the Lord Him- self led me, among them, and again educated many to follow against adverse conditions. In his way of life, this time a life of penance and good works. He persevered and succeeded as no other; and he left us Always he exhorted his brother- ers to be cheerful throughout the mean- life in the Third of Christ. His noble life, 'Sara- Order Secular."

Born in Assisi, Italy, in 1181, the son of a wealthy merchant, he lacked nothing by way of the comforts and pleasures of life. Genial and happy, generous, daring and full of energy, he was always the "life of the party" and the leader of his group of young friends. Chivalrous and romantic by nature, he longed for knight-hood and fame.

THE LOCAL FEUD between Assisi and Perugia presented the opportunity that he desired but that led only to capture and a year's imprisonment. A second time he set out on a knightly venture to join the Pope's forces against the invading Germans; it was while on this journey that he had the dream that marked a turning point in his life.

Returning to his home he began to pray much and to practice charity, pouring out his money on the poverty-stricken. Francis felt drawn to a life of poverty, but at the same time was repulsed by the very idea.

It was while praying in the ruined Chapel of San Damiano that the would-be knight heard Christ's voice: "Francis, restore my church which you see falling to ruins." Taking this precept quite literally, the young man proceeded to sell a quantity of his father's cloth and take the money to repair the chapel. Disowned by his father, laughed at by his neighbors, Francis renounced all worldly possessions, "Henceforth I shall truly say 'Our Father who art in heaven!'"

READING THE GOSPELS finally gave Francis the definite pattern which he would

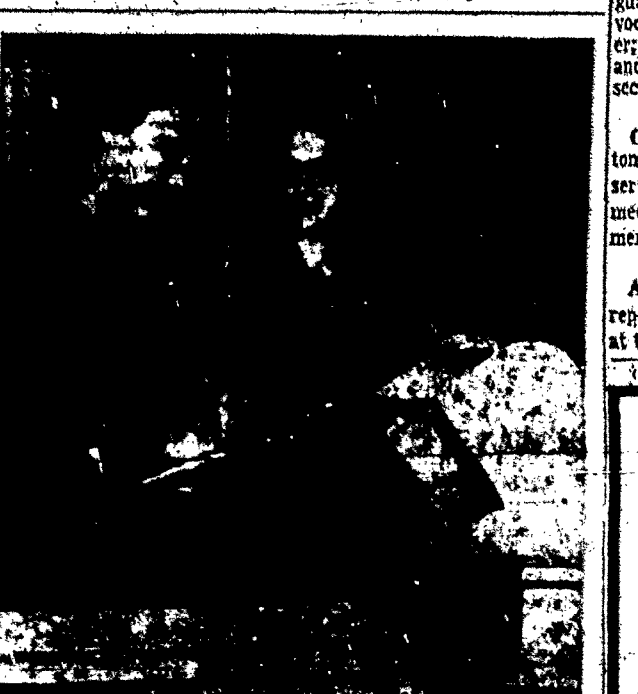
Cabrini Unit To Hear Family Service Head

William J. O'Bryan, chairman of the Board of Governors of Catholic Family Service, Elmira, will be the guest speaker at the First Saturday Luncheon sponsored by the Mother Cabrini Committee of the Ladies of Charity, Saturday, Nov. 5, at 12:30 p.m. at the Mark Twain Hotel. He will speak on "The Importance of Women."

O'Bryan, 54, resides at 2411 Segar Rd., Horseheads, is married and the father of three daughters. He came to Elmira five years ago from Cleveland, Ohio, and works as a production superintendent of Hamilton Con- tainer Co. He graduated from the St. Ignace High School in Cleveland and majored in business administration at John Carroll University.

FOR TWO YEARS during World War II he was a quartermaster in the Navy and saw action at Iwo Jima, and Okinawa.

Three years ago he was nominated to the Board of Governors of Catholic Family Service.



New Mothers' Unit Formed

At a recent meeting of the Mothers' Club of Our Lady of Immaculate Conception, Mrs. William Maguire (RE. 3-3080), Mrs. William Maguire (RE. 3-1914) or Lourdes parish, Elmira, Mrs. James Maguire was elected chairman of the newly formed St. Gerard committee.

Organized in honor of St. Gerard, the patron Saint of Mothers, the group will assist those in the parish that need help and in particular will aid mothers of new babies.

BABY FURNITURE and equipment has been donated to the committee and will be made available on a loan basis to Mothers.

Checking equipment recently donated are (left) Mrs. Maguire and Mrs. Cheney.

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NEWLY INSTALLED officers of Corning Council, Knights of Columbus, standing: Robert J. Young, Willoughby W. Babcock, Robert Young, Joseph Daley, William Roberts and Leo Schaller.

Connaughton Installed As Grand Knight

Corning — Alfred F. Connaughton took office last Thursday evening as grand knight of Corning Council, Knights of Columbus, with induction ceremonies conducted by Thomas V. Hanly of Corning, district deputy, and Paul J. Danaher, district warden.

Thomas D. Keegan Jr. was installed as Deputy Grand Knight, Willoughby W. Babcock as Chancellor, George W. Schaller as Warden, and William T. Roberts as Recorder.

Also, Robert J. Young, inside guard; Leo J. Schaller, outside guard; Dudley McLaughlin, advocate; Nello Martini, treasurer; Joseph B. Daley, lecturer; and Frank Diliberto, financial secretary.

GRAND-KNIGHT Connaughton announced that a memorial service will be held at the next meeting, Nov. 10, for deceased members of the Council.

Anthony Ruocco presented a report on the recent clambake at the K of C Home.

Elmira Women Hear World Relations Talk

The subject of International Relations was brought to the attention of Elmira area women last Monday evening by Miss Eve Firra, Diocesan chairman on International Relations.

She was the guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Corning - Schuyler Deane- ry, which was held at the home of Mrs. Joseph Lemak, Mrs. Frank Gole, Mrs. Carl May, St. and Mrs. Louis Ryan.

Reports on standing committees were given by Mrs. Stanley Gush, Miss Eleanor Collins and Mrs. Cecil Richmond. Affiliates presidents announced dates of events coming up and their societies for the month of November.

The reports on the recent Diocesan convention were given by Mrs. Raymond Granston and Mrs. Joseph Barnoski. Mrs. Willoughby W. Babcock, president of the Elmira Ladies Society, presided.

A resolution was unanimously adopted to have society members write letters of protest to a recent showing of their films and the advertising that was used in the local papers.

In St. Monica's Circle, mem-

Watkins Glen Women Dine

Watkins Glen — St. Mary's of the Lake Rosary and Altar Society held its annual banquet at the Jefferson Motor Inn, Oct. 25.

Mrs. Harold Schultz, president, announced a rummage sale by the society Nov. 13 and 19 with Mrs. Raymond Granston and Mrs. Angela Peters, co-chairmen.

REV. BENEDICT Ehmman, on behalf of the parish, presented a gift to the Rev. Robert McGinness of Rochester, former assistant pastor at St. Mary's.

Miss Margaret Francez, president of St. Mary's Sodality, also presented a gift to Father McGinness from the young people of the parish.

The Rev. Eugene "Sweeney" Thibault, pastor of St. Mary's, the Rev. Hyacinth of Padua, and the Rev. Theophane Murphy of St. John's, Montour Falls, were introduced.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Leo G. Schwab, V.F., of Elmira was the speaker.

Committee in charge were Mrs. Joseph Lemak, Mrs. Frank Gole, Mrs. Carl May, St. and Mrs. Louis Ryan.

Communion Sunday for the Rosary Society is Nov. 6th at 8:30 Mass. Next meeting is at the Center November 15th.

Others elected were: Mrs. McHenry, vice president; Miss Mary Helen Nelson, Corning, secretary; Mr. Albert Rondinero, Watkins Glen, treasurer; Miss Carol Eisenhart, Elmira and Miss Nelson, co-chairman of publicity.

MEMBERS PLANNED a tea on Nov. 13 at the home of the new president for girls in the 11th and 12th grades interested in learning more about college programs offered at Nazareth.

College representatives, present students and members of the Alumnae will be present to answer questions. The tea will be from 3 to 5 p.m.

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Dryden — A Spaghetti Supper will be served at the Dryden School Cafeteria on Saturday, Nov. 12. This supper sponsored by the Dryden Catholic Mission will be served from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ryan are acting as general chairmen with Mrs. Paul Volante, chairman of tickets, Mrs. Stephen Kierznowski, chairman of service, Miss Alice Kahabka, chairman of publicity, Mrs. Frances Bevenist, chairman of kitchen, Mrs. Robert Sullivan, chairman of supplies.

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- G. Provide more State Aid for School Construction to meet the critical shortage of classrooms.

Committee for Alex Kosty