



PREPARING GIFTS IN FELT for the Annual Seton Sale at St. Mary's Hospital on Dec. 2 are members of the 75th Branch: (from left) Mrs. Roman Hart, Mrs. George Kelly and Mrs. Samuel J. Innocone, chairman.

Seton Sale Slated Dec. 2

Second annual Seton Sale for various Christmas gifts, candy, and foods. Chairman of the event, Mrs. Robert Hand and Co-Chairman Mrs. Bernard Soehner, report that all proceeds of the sale this year will be utilized by St. Mary's Hospital to purchase necessary equipment for the care of children.

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New Cans Series Planned

A new Pre-Cana Conference series will be held at Holy Cross Church during the Christmas and New Year's holidays, so it is planned that those planning marriage shortly after the first of next year attend this series.

The first lecture, "God's Plan in Love and Marriage" will be given by the Rev. Walter Cushman on Nov. 27. On the following Sunday, topics will be "Practical Hints to Marriage," "A Catholic Doctor Looks at Marriage," and "Spirituality in Marriage."

The series will be held at Holy Cross Church, 449 Lake Ave. For the next four Sundays, at 3 p.m.

On Nov. 27—Sacred Heart Cathedral, St. John the Evangelist, St. Mary, St. Patrick, Rochester; St. Mary, Auburn; St. Peter and Paul, Elmira.

Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours in churches of the Diocese of Rochester will be conducted as follows:

Sunday, Nov. 27—Sacred Heart Cathedral, St. John the Evangelist, St. Mary, St. Patrick, Rochester; St. Mary, Auburn; St. Peter and Paul, Elmira.

Looking Back

As Our Bishop Begins 24th Year In Diocese

By THOMAS H. O'CONNOR

Final report in the Catholic High School Campaign, next Wednesday, will again evidence the high esteem in which Bishop Kearney is held in the Diocese of Rochester. From all reports the campaign's success will sincerely mark the faithful's gratitude for his 23 years of reign in our diocese.

The Bishop began his 24th year in Rochester on Nov. 21. Memories passing in review at this time include:

—a telephone call to this writer from Bill Lang, then TU reporter in Detroit, announcing that Bishop Kearney would succeed Archbishop Mooney as Bishop of Rochester. This was in August, 1917.

—going to the New York Central depot in November, that year, when the station was in its glory to greet the Bishop and delegation coming to Rochester.

—trying to pass the police lines on the tracks and being stopped!

—getting into the balcony of the railroad station and looking over the sea of faces awaiting the first glimpse of their new Bishop.

—listening to his first words and noting the warmth of reception given him.

—going out to the episcopal residence on East Ave. and meeting there the future Bishop Hunt of Salt Lake City who arranged for this newspaper to get the Bishop's first formal word to the diocese.

—attending the installation Mass in Sacred Heart Cathedral crowded with noted prelates and laity.

—remembering sets of Bishop Kearney in subsequent years which have influenced persons in all walks of life in this diocese.

—noting the Bishop's interest and encouragement of all lay organizations, men's, women's and young people's.

—his attendance at my mother's funeral is deeply remembered.

—attending his receptions for laity at his home on East Ave. and noting persons of all degrees greeted equally with a special attention to the children.

—going to the Bishop's house with executive committee of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus as several hours were given by him to hearing problems and offering advice.

—during the troublesome days of few jobs in the area, attending a meeting at the Bishop's home with the late Frank E. Gannett present as ways and means of creating jobs, were studied.

—participating in the Family-Rosary for Peace, now a decade of years in continuous operation, another evidence of Bishop Kearney's interest in devotion to Our Lady.

—assisting with our family at the Carmelite Monastery at a Mass arranged for and celebrated by Bishop Kearney to mark our 25th wedding anniversary.

—receiving reports on increasing members of Daily Mass League constantly encouraged by Bishop Kearney, especially in his Lenten letter.

—watching the continued growth of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, reinvigorated each year in convention at which the Bishop celebrates Mass and speaks.

—reporting the Bishop's acceptance of the national chaplaincy of the Knights of St. John, of his celebrating Mass at Holy Sepulchre for departed knights and his taking part in their Noble Degree in St. Joseph's Church.

—witnessing an exemplification of the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree with then Supreme Master Timothy Galvin here from Indiana and the Bishop taking a personal role to assure the degree's success.

—hearing that any project in the diocese was assured of success with the announcement that "The Bishop is coming."

—listening to Bishop Kearney speak at civic affairs such as Community Chest dinner, and feeling justifiable pride in reception accorded him.

—recalling with deep gratitude, a dinner in my honor for 25 years in Catholic Press at Hotel Sheraton arranged by the Bishop and Monsignor John S. Randall and attended by noted Catholic press leaders and local celebrities.

—marching to a Knights of Columbus breakfast at the Sheraton after Mass in Columbus Civic Center with the Bishop, and Supreme Secretary Joseph F. Lamb. At this breakfast for the only time known, the Supreme Knight of the K. of C., the late Francis J. Matthews and the Supreme President of the Knights of St. John, the late Frank H. Biel of this city were present together.

—breakfast of the Nocturnal Adoration Society at Powers Hotel when the Society had one center and later at Baugh and Lomb Optical Company cafeteria where the impressive turnout of 320 men from four centers gathered to hear the Bishop.

—attending Mass celebrated for St. Bonaventure Alumni, sons and fathers, by Bishop Kearney and other alumni and alumnae groups.

—hearing of the Bishop's visits to our colleges and high schools and seeing pictures of him with the happy students.

—reading the accounts of his successful 1932 campaign for high schools in Rochester, Elmira and Auburn — all schools now being successfully operated.

—singing into the War Memorial for the memorable turnout honoring the Bishop on his jubilee, three years ago, an unprecedented demonstration of regard and affection.

—being deluged with these memories and running out of space but hoping that this has stirred memories of readers to round out a total recall.

Seal Sale Opens In Our Schools

Sale of Christmas Seals for the Association of the Holy Childhood is now in progress in the diocesan schools according to the Rev. George S. Wood, diocesan director. Returns on the 1939 sale of seals in the schools brought a return of \$27,312.

Leading the schools was that of St. Charles Borromeo, Greece with a \$1490 total, seconded by St. Andrew's with \$1152.

Revenue from the seal sales goes toward the support of Catholic orphanages through the Missionary World.

"The Diocese of Rochester has made an enviable record in the sale of seals," Father Wood said this week. "We dare not suggest that we attempt to shatter past goals. We will be most satisfied, and shall have discharged our mission duty most admirably, if we can equal the record of last year."

Future Nurse Program Set

A Pre-entrance Orientation and Examination Program for Applicants will be held at St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing (today) Friday, Nov. 25.

This is the first of a number of such sessions already scheduled for applicants by the nursing school. Purpose of the sessions is to acquaint applicants with St. Mary's and its nursing program on a personal basis.

Registration for the invited applicants will be held on the first floor of the Nurses' Residence at 10:30 a.m.

SISTER MARIA, Director of Nursing at St. Mary's, will welcome the high school seniors, and a panel of faculty and students will present a symposium on the theme, "This Is St. Mary's."

After lunch, the guests will tour St. Mary's Hospital, and each will have an interview with a faculty member of the Admissions Committee of the school.

A special open house for parents of prospective students is planned for a later date.

Bishop Kearney Set For Luncheon

Bishop Kearney will be honored guest and speaker at the First Friday Luncheon Club meeting, Dec. 2 in Hotel Sheraton at which the club will mark its 18th anniversary. Luncheon will begin at 12:15 p.m.

The Bishop who encouraged the formation of the club devoted to the Sacred Heart will be presented by the Rev. Vincent E. LeFrois, assistant pastor of St. Salome Church, club moderator and chaplain of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus.

The First Friday club held its first meeting in December, 1922 and has continued since. The Bishop when his schedule permitted, has spoken at the June and December meetings.

"IT IS EXPECTED that a Catholic men who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday will be present to greet the day."



New St. Hyacinth Church Planned

DR. WILLIAM J. KOTWAS, right, general chairman for the campaign to raise \$300,000 for the construction of a new St. Hyacinth's church, Auburn, confers with priests of the parish. From left are Rev. Felix Brackowski, assistant pastor; Rev. James Cholenska, pastor; and Rev. Wene Grucela, assistant pastor.



Greece Parish To Expand

Mother of Sorrows parish in Greece — a century old and "way too small" — launched a \$200,000 development fund campaign this week. Father Daniel B. O'Rourke gave trustees to 125 campaign workers in a church rite Sunday afternoon.

Pack Baskets At Academy

Four Academic Classes of the Academy of the Sacred Heart made final preparations for the packing of their 12 annual Thanksgiving baskets, to be distributed as gifts in their community service work.

Travel Night For Pilgrimage

Prospective pilgrims to Rome, Lourdes and other shrines in Europe are invited to a "Travel Night" at the Columbus Building, Tuesday, Dec. 6, at 8 p.m.

Details of the April 19 to May 20 tour to be led by Father Henry Atwell, editor of the Courier Journal, will be explained by American Express Co. officials.

Pictures of the shrines to be visited will be shown.

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