

Looking Back

Party Receipts
Benefit School

Corning — At the monthly meeting of St. Mary's Rosary Society in the school hall, it was reported that \$550 was realized at a recent card party.

MRS. PAUL QUATRINI, president, conducted the meeting which was opened with prayer by the Rev. John Lynch, moderator. It was explained that funds from the card party will be used to purchase equipment for the kitchen at the school.

The president appointed the following nominating committee: Mrs. Raymond Older, Mrs. Allen Bassage, Mrs. George Krebs, Mrs. Dominic Asiello. The next meeting will be March 16 at the school, following Rosary and Benediction at the church.

Recollection Day
Listed In Owego

Owego — The Rev. Paul Cloonan, assistant pastor of St. James parish, Waverly, will direct a Day of Recollection, under the auspices of the Rosary and Altar Society of the parish on next Sunday, March 5. The services will commence at 2 and will continue until 4:30 p.m. They will close with Benediction.

All women of the parish are invited. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Rita Holagte and Miss Cecelia G. Brosnan, and the members of their Rosary Bands.

Veterans Units
Set Breakfast

Members of Feshoh-Macekur Ukrainian Catholic War Veterans Post 1178 and the Ladies Auxiliary will hold their annual Communion and breakfast on Sunday, March 19 at 9:15 a.m. in St. Nicholas church annex, Elmira Heights.

STATE COMMANDER August J. Poletto will be the guest speaker. Chemung County Children's Court Judge Daniel J. Donahoe will be toastmaster.

Betrothal Told

Seneca Falls — Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kalet of Fort Byron, ED 1, announce the engagement of their daughter Patricia Ann to Leo Mario Bianchi, son of Mrs. Paul Bianchi and the late Mr. Bianchi of 46 Ovid St., Seneca Falls.

To Be Wed

Geneva — Mr. and Mrs. James Gizi, of 134 High St., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Joanne Patricia, to Roy Combs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Combs of Newton Falls, Ohio.

Memories of Basketball
At Old Cathedral High

By THOMAS H. O'CONNOR

Basketball in our high schools and now in college is reaching a high point, this year. The now established classic, the game between Aquinas Institute and McQuaid Jesuit High School scheduled at Rochester's War Memorial on March 4 will bring out crowds, those of us who saw the beginning of Catholic high school basketball in this diocese could never have dreamed possible.

It is interesting to read of the early success of St. John Fisher's Cardinals in their first year, coached by Bobby Warner of Rochester Royals pro fame. The success of teams in our other high schools, Notre Dame of Elmira, Mt. Carmel of Auburn, DeSales of Geneva, Padua of Watkins Glen, this year has been reported in this paper. Their success in the coming diocesan tournament will be reported as the games are played.

All of this sends us into that reminiscent mood which has been found to result in this space being filled with "recalls" which may not be complete in themselves but can make others remember times and places mentioned.

THIS WEEK, the assistance of two souvenir books, one dated Feb. 16, 1917 and the other Friday evening, Feb. 4, 1916 are being used to "remember when" the Cathedral High School basketball team played two outstanding games.

I attended the one in 1917 at New York State Armory. While the school's name had been changed to Rochester Catholic High School, the booklet's cover said "Cathedral High vs. East High." The Armory on Main St. East was packed, probably close to 4,000 howling fans. The game played with early rules and resulting in close guarding ended 7 to 6 (that's right) in favor of East High.

The booklets were dedicated to the late Rev. Mortimer J. Nolan, (brother of William J. Nolan, charities executive secretary) "in appreciation of his earnest effort in behalf of the R.C.H.S. basketball team." Father Nolan, an athlete of proved ability, himself, was a great force in developing clean, hard sportsmanship at the old school on Frank St. (now Plymouth Ave.)

It is difficult to recall too vividly the excitement and action of the game but the school which had only had teams from 1911 on gave a creditable showing. Captain of that team was Lawrence Wagner, now a successful businessman and a director of the Rochester Transit Corp.

UP FRONT were John Gilbert and Louis Whitman as forwards. Both later served in the U.S. Marines and Louis Whitman, better known as "Dutch," gave his life in action. Wagner was center and the guards were Harold (Butch) Clark, termed "the best high school guard in Western New York", the late Dr. Eugene Leicht and Myron (Jack) Blackwood, now a Florida resident.

This team after losing to East High early in the season went on to win 8 games including one in New York City. It was coached by Herbert (Rip) Benzoni. Managers were the late Leo F. Robaut and Dr. Eugene Leicht.

The 1917 souvenir was turned out by Howard F. Fitzgerald, now an executive at McCurdy's and the late John A. McCarthy. Fans were much in the picture those days with James Roach as cheerleader.

The 1915-16 team is featured in the other booklet. Other names which are still remembered among the graduates of Cathedral or Rochester Catholic High are noted. The forwards were Dutch Whitman and the never-to-be-forgotten Gerald (Red) Quigley, now known for his work in city recreation circles. "Lawrie" Wagner was center and Butch Clark, guard. Bill Walz, guard; Joe Kelly, guard, George (Red) Killip and Daniel Dunbar, guard, rounded out the team. Also in the team picture were Father Nolan, Leo Robaut and Ward (Heinie) Schlotzer. This team beat the best of its class in this area. Somewhat predicting things to come, the team beat Batavia High School by 50 (then almost unheard-of score) to 8.

James Dower was cheerleader that year. The booklet was produced by Ward Schlotzer and Charlie Burke.

GOING THROUGH this souvenir book it was found that the 1914-1915 team's record appears. Captain and right guard was William Schmitt. Butch Clark was a guard and also Vincent Grady who later became a Captain in the United States Navy and has since died. Center was the late Leo Waring who had the height to make a current team.

Red Quigley and Dutch Whitman were forwards. Also on the team with "Red" Killip was Louie A. Langie, now head of the Langie Fuel Service, Inc.

The picture of the team also showed the late Norbert Wattel who was outstanding in later college games. Neil P. Collins, the perennial secretary of the Cathedral High Alumni Association was also in the picture then.

The book tells of the first team to represent the school in interscholastic games, the 1911-1912 team, and recalls Henry Utz, Ray Burns and Leo Murphy, forwards. Ralph Henricus, center, who later went to Oakland, Calif. Walter Mallon, insurance man, George McNeill and this writer, guards.

Now that we have cited the names in the booklets we'll leave it to those who can fill in the details of games, days at Lawrence (Bridget) Weber's store and of old Cathedral Hall where home games were played.

Half-Way Mark Reached
On New Corning School

Corning — The new St. Patrick's school, now under construction adjoining the church on E. Demison Pkwy., is between 50 and 55 per cent complete and should be enclosed by March 10, according to announcement by Lester G. Langhans Jr., vice president and treasurer of the general contractor, Smith, Langhans & McLaughlin Construction Corp.

Shutdowns have been necessary only on the most severe days of the winter, he said.

UNDERWAY AT present is construction of the plywood roof deck, which is about 75 per cent complete. Roofing, which is to be white shingles, will be placed by next week, it is expected.

The aluminum window walls are about 90 per cent completed, but no window glass has been installed as yet.

Ten employees are working on the job at present. The general contractor expected to have the job completed by the August 10 date, on which it is to be turned over to the owner.

When the new school building is finished, it is planned to raze the present school and to use its site for a playground. It is expected that the new school will be occupied when school begins in September. The general construction contract is for \$249,000.

Ithaca Rummage Sale
To Aid Parish Sodality

Ithaca — A rummage sale will be held in Immaculate Conception Parish Hall, Ithaca, on Friday and Saturday, March 10 and 11. Contributions of articles for the sale will be welcome from any parishioner of the parish, and may be brought to Parish Hall during the day or evening of Thursday, March 9.

REV. NEIL GOODMAN, moderator of the parish Sodality is hopeful that a representative group of sodalists from Ithaca will find it possible to attend the summer school of Catholic Action to be held in New York City this summer. It is hoped that the rummage sale will be a success, and a means of pro-

viding the treasury of the Sodality with much-needed funds. For the rummage sale, articles such as the following will be appreciated: used clothing—men's, women's and children's; bedding, draperies and curtains; hats and purses; pictures; pans; dishes and other kitchen articles; puzzles, games and other toys; small pieces of furniture; jewelry, and other miscellaneous items.

Refresher Course Mapped
For Elmira Area Nurses

A refresher course for registered professional nurses will be sponsored by District No. 3 of the New York State Nurses Association if there seems to be interest and response on the part of nurses in the Elmira area as well as in Corning, Waverly, Ithaca, Bath and Hornell.

The course is tentatively planned to be held in the two Elmira hospitals and will include nursing classes and demonstrations, lectures by physicians and supervised clinical practice.

The days and hours of the sessions will be determined by the preferences of the majority of the candidates who register. There will be no fee for the course for members of the District. A nominal fee will be charged to non-members of the district.

ANY REGISTERED professional nurse in District No. 3 may contact anyone of the following nurses in her area for information: Sister Anne Maurice, St. Joseph's Hospital; Mrs. Nancy Trimm, Arnot Ogden Memorial Hospital; Mrs. Irene Jones at REgent 4-9792; Miss Ruth Rogers, of the Visiting Nurse and Health Association; Mrs. Gladys Hudson in the first aid unit of the Eclipse Machine Company; Miss Estelle Ingoldsby in Corning, XN 2-0203; Miss Elizabeth Alamo, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Bath; Miss Bertha Pierce, Tioga General Hospital, Waverly; Mrs. Helen Saunders, Tompkins County Memorial Hospital, Ithaca.

Meet Planned
By Rosarians

Our Lady of Lourdes Rosary-Altar Society, Elmira will hold its monthly business meeting Tuesday, March 7 in the parish hall following services at 8 p.m. in the church.

Holy Hour Draws
100 Men, Boys

Nearly 100 men and high school boys attended the Holy Hour last Sunday in St. Cecilia's church, Elmira, conducted by Father Roger Switzer, assistant pastor of St. Mary's church, Horseheads.

MEMBERS OF the Men's Club and Holy Name Society are sponsoring a Ham show to be held in the near future. John Gough is chairman.

New Third Order Unit
Holds First Conference

Geneva — First conference meeting of the Immaculate Heart Third Order Fraternity took place at the Capuchin Seminary, Lochland Rd. on Sunday, Feb. 19. Mrs. Georgette Murphy, prefect, presided with Father Angelus Croce, moderator.

THE FOLLOWING were received as postulants into the Third Order: Phyllis Harding, Margaret Kraus, Susan Bero, Maureen Murphy, Frank Giardino, Leroy Nettler, Amelia Martello, Richard Courteau, Edna Courteau, Pasqualina Chiarilli, Selma De Ryke, Rose De John, Mary Panetti.

Also Mary Spatola, Marlene Stramandinoli, Sam Stramandinoli, Frank Pullano, Daniel Acquilano, Pasquina Acquilano, Eleanor Bowen, Gregory Bowen, Florence Zello, Genevieve Santilla, Teresa McGrain, James Pedulla, Michael Simeone, Michael Simeone, Anthony Simeone, Henry Matthews, Elsie Matthews, Sylvia Hilbert, Rose Marabito, Margaret Buckley.

Since many people of the Geneva area have inquired about the purposes and obligations of the group, the following is a brief explanation. The Third Order of St. Francis is a modern guide for success. Although St. Francis lived seven hundred years ago, his guide is as modern today as it was when he wrote his Third Order Rule. It is not for religious living in monasteries and convents, but for the lay person living in the world. He applied the gospel to daily living and formulated his rule accordingly. The Third Order

INCLUDED in topics under discussion by the members will be acceptance of the new by-laws of the Rosary-Altar Society and donations of First Communion dresses to the Pope's Warehouse. A sample dress with sewing instructions will be displayed by Mrs. James O'Hara, Foreign Relief chairman.

The guest speaker will be a member of the Catholic Family Service. The subject of foster homes will be discussed with the group.

Mrs. John Mark will be in charge of the coffee hour to follow.

Girl Scouts
Plan Activities

Girl Scout Troop 149 of St. Cecilia's parish, Elmira is preparing a program of activities for the coming months as announced at their last meeting held Thursday in the school hall.

MISS MARILYN Clate is Scout Leader and is being assisted by Miss Mary Lou Young. Members of the Troop committee are Mesdames Frances Monroe, Katherine Mikulich, Mary Burt and Theresa Donovan. Anyone having a Girl Scout uniform not being used is asked to call Mrs. Monroe at RE 361-40.

St. Boniface
Lists Mission

St. Boniface Church, Rochester, has scheduled a two-week mission beginning Sunday, March 5. Rev. Francis Taylor, pastor, has announced.

Mission services will be held each evening at 7:45 p.m. The first week is for women of the parish, the second for men. Passionist Fathers Gregory Durkin and Maurus Shenk will conduct the Mission.

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