

**Priest Tells Of Congo Bqyonets**

**Tons Of Aid To Africa**

A Rochester priest credits his life to a statement he made in French in the Belgian Congo.

Monsignor Wilson Kaiser, head of Catholic Relief Services in Africa, home this week for his father's funeral, told the Courier Journal of his brush with death when Congo riots ripped that new nation in July.

He was in Leopoldville to set up the U.S. Catholic relief program.

"A jeep-ful of Congo troops swerved to the curb and jumped around me with their bayonets inches from me.

"I told them Je suis un Americaine — I'm an American.

"They changed instantly — wanted to know what the United States people thought of the Congo."

"I told them we were all for them in their battle to establish a newly independent country," Monsignor Kaiser related.

He wasn't bothered afterwards. His duties have taken him in three years to fourteen African nations. He ranges across the continent to bring food, clothing and medicine to "desperately poor" areas.

He said Soviet Russia and its satellites have made "tremendous penetration" of the new African nations, sending trained personnel and extensive equipment there.

He said in the nation of Togo, the U.S. has about four people in its embassy, the Russians have nearly 100. In Mali, the U.S. has six embassy workers, the Russians have 165.

The Communists are also drawing thousands of young Africans, the leaders of the future, to colleges in Moscow and Prague.

Monsignor Kaiser said Ghana has 3000 students being trained under Red auspices, only 300 in the United States. He said the Communists provide "full scholarships — tuition costs, food, clothing, transportation, books." He said he talked with many college administrators in America who are willing to admit the African students free



MONSIGNOR KAISER

but "we have no way to finance their transportation or upkeep."

AFRICAN MOSLEMS are also making rapid strides, he reported.

President Nasser of the United Arab Republic recently established a Moslem religion promotion office in all of his African embassies.

Why are the Russians and the Moslems so far ahead? "They have the people willing to work for their ideas," Monsignor Kaiser stated.

"We offer good salaries for anyone who will work with the Catholic Relief Services—but we can't get people to come over there.

"We're working with a skeleton force and we could do twice as much if we had even a handful more."

WHAT PROSPECTS are there of success for the Peace Corps proposed by President Kennedy?

"If the people are properly trained and come with the proper motives, they can contribute greatly," the Monsignor said. "They can't come for a lark," he emphasized.

Under Monsignor Kaiser's direction, the Catholic Relief Services had the greatest expansion of its worldwide program in Africa during the past year. He set up or expanded relief programs in Algeria, Cameroun, Dahomey, Egypt, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Morocco, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo, Tunisia and the Congo.

At least 3,750,000 needy people were aided with emergency supplies valued at more than \$12,000,000. The relief program is kept going by American Catholics who contribute to the Thanksgiving Clothing Collection and the fund appeal set this Sunday in all parish churches of America.



St. Mary's 'Patty'

**Pennies For Patty**

Last November the students at St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing learned that one of their classmates was supporting a foreign orphan out of her small monthly allowance.

The idea of the project appealed to St. Mary's 150 students and to the lay faculty members.

After much correspondence they were directed to the "Help a Child Program" and shortly after became the "parents" of

a little Korean girl, Chung Patricia Song Ja. The students quickly nicknamed her "Patty."

Patty was born Dec. 25, 1953 and is being raised at St. Paul's Orphanage in Seoul, Korea.

A few cents a month from each of the students keeps Patty clothed, fed and takes care of her medical expenses.

"Pennies for Patty" has become a familiar phrase at St. Mary's.

**Bishop To Celebrate Mass Marking St. Patrick's Feast**

Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Kearney will open the local tribute to St. Patrick, Patrick's Day parade, Sunday, March 12. The Hibernians will attend Mass in St. Mary's Church on South St. at 9:30. The Rev. George S. Wood, chaplain as celebrant and Paul McNamara and John McDermott serving.

The parade will form in front of the Church immediately after the Mass. Music will be furnished by the Summerville Emerald Cadets Band. The Rev. Donald Murphy of St. Pius X Church and chaplain of Division 2 will lead the parade with Patrick J. O'Hara as honorary grand marshal. Line of march will be by a delegation from the Fire

Bureau and other local groups will be in the annual AOH St. Patrick's Day parade, Sunday, March 12. The Hibernians will attend Mass in St. Mary's Church on South St. at 9:30.

Led by William Ryan, president of Division 7, the AOH members will recite the rosary over radio station WSAY.

The Knights of Equity dinner at the Powers Hotel on Friday, March 17, at 6:30 p.m. will have Bishop Kearney as the speaker. Toastmaster is Alexander Gray. Entertainment will comprise the Rochester Gas and Electric Choir, Eileen Malone, harpist; the Rochester Civic Orchestra and Cleone Goodman, tenor.

St. Patrick's Day observances by organizations will be found in "What's New in the Parishes" and in the Date Book."

**Nursing Grant Offered By Geneva Chapter**

Geneva—Geneva Chapter, Catholic Nurses, will offer the sixth annual full three-year nursing scholarship again this year.

Known as the Bishop Kearney Scholarship it is available to any high school graduate in the area from which the Geneva Chapter draws its membership. This includes Geneva, Waterloo, Pann Yan, Phelps, Newark, Ovid, Seneca Falls, and Clifton Springs school districts.

TO THE SUCCESSFUL candidate a complete three-year scholarship is granted to one of the Diocese's three schools of nursing: St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira; St. James Mercy Hospital, Hornell, and St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester.

Any girl interested should file a regular application at the school of her choice and take the qualifying examination, mentioning that she is a candidate for the Bishop Kearney Scholarship. She should also write a personal letter of application to the chairman of the scholarship committee, Mrs. Louise Sniffen, 91 LaFayette Ave.

The committee emphasizes that any high school graduate may make an application, and not necessarily a member of the present graduating class. Religious affiliation will not be considered as part of the qualifications.

The scholarship committee will meet the first week in May to award the scholarship. All candidates will be notified promptly concerning the results.

JAMES BUTLER is dinner chairman with Michael T. Ryan and Kenneth T. Power, co-chairman. Mrs. James Sullivan and the Daughters of Erin will assist with arrangements.

Bishop Kearney will be escorted by young women from Nazareth Academy and Blessed Sacrament parish.

The Hibernians St. Patrick Day dance will be held Friday at the Clubhouse. An orchestra will furnish music from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Desmond Penrose will be in charge of entertainment. Ross McMahon is chairman and Mrs. Harry Newton, co-chairman.

**Nocturnal Men Set Breakfast**

The Rochester Nocturnal Adoration Society has set Sunday, March 19, for its annual Communion and breakfast. This year's chairman, Joseph G. Fritsch, has

announced that the breakfast will be held at the Bausch and Lomb Cafeteria at 8:15 a.m. following Masses at the four local Centers, Blessed Sacrament Church, St. Andrew's, St. Monica's and Sacred Heart Cathedral.

GUESTS AT the breakfast will include: Bishop Kearney, who will give the main address; Auxiliary Bishop Casey, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Thomas F. Conara, the Rt. Rev. George W. Eckl, the Rt. Rev. Gerald G. Lambert.

Co-chairman Andrew G. Knauft, and his committee consisting of Urban G. Kress and Robt. H. Kalb, Sr., of the Central Committee, officers of the four Rochester Centers will assist Fritsch on arrangements. In a letter to all Nocturnal

members Fritsch pointed out that "Bishop Kearney has designated 1961 as the year in which we pay homage to the Most Precious Blood, and all should make good use of this special year of grace."

Fritsch, a member of Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish, is a Children's Court judge.

**Forty Hours**

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

Sunday, March 12 — Holy Mary, St. Bridget, St. Monica, Rochester; St. Stephen, Geneva; St. Michael, Newark.

**Tour To Visit Europe Shrines**

A pilgrimage to the shrines of Europe will be held April 19 to May 30 with Rev. Henry Atwell of the Courier Journal as spiritual director.

The tour, arranged by American Express, will include visits to the shrine of the Miraculous Medal at Paris, the shrine of the Sacred Heart at Paray-le-Monial, Lourdes, Rome — with an audience with Pope John, the shrine of St. Francis at Assisi, Venice, Switzerland, Cologne with its shrine of the Three Wise Men, Amsterdam and London.

Reservations must be made by March 15. Information may be obtained at the Courier Journal office, BAKER 5-6210.



STUDENT NURSE — Kathleen Alderson, Rochester, and Barbara Lemoncelli, Elmira, add their thoughts as Sister Anne Maurice, director of nursing,

explains the symbolism of the lamp in the nursing profession to Rev. Michael Hogan, guest speaker at their capping exercises.

**St. Joseph's Elmira**

**49 Receive Nurses' Caps**

Capping exercises were held for the forty-nine members of the freshman class at St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in the Little Flower Chapel of the Dunn Memorial Nurse's Residence on Friday, March 3.

Elmira, took as his theme "Bear ye one another's burdens and you shall fulfill the Law of Christ" (Gal. 6:2). Father pointed out that this is not too easy in caring for the ill who can at times be very demanding. However, the lesson that the words of St. Paul teach is one which must be learned daily along with the more scientific knowledge of nursing, for it is a lesson which must be written in every nurse's heart.

The relationship of the nursing student to her school and hospital should be that of a child to its parent — loving, respectful, considerate. This attitude is shown by a concern for the interests of authority, patients, and one another, Father Hogan said.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament climaxed the ceremony. The entire class joined

A reception for the freshmen and their guests was held on the first floor of the Nurses' Residence following capping exercises.

Members of the Class of 1963 follow:

Elmira: Mary Joan Cain, Mary Jane Esdale, Barbara Lemoncelli, Patricia New, Susan Osborn, Deanna Punzo, Mary Lou Raplee, Patricia Sipple.

Johnson City, N.Y.: Kathryn Cornell; Auburn: Carol Fantasia; Geneva: Diana Green; Rockville Centre, N.Y.: Susan Rutkowski; Sayre, Pa.: Lucille Clarke, Mary Ann Dugan.

Rochester: Kathleen Alderson, Suzanne Dreas, Patricia Eckert, Barbara Skromak, Carol Stewart; Endicott, N.Y.: Christine Bystricky, Sharon Cahill, Carol Dobish, Barbara Hanus, Elaine Maffucci, Faith Mastroe, Sharon McManus, Lynda Porter, Judith Ritz, Winifred Van Auken.

Vestal, N.Y.: Kathryn Vall; Waverly: Rose Maureen McGee; Wolcott: Catherine Dietrich; Williamsport, Pa.: Hazel Behney, Rose Novello, Antoinette Stopper.

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