

Geneva KC Unit Elects A. J. Cowan

Geneva—At the yearly meeting of the Knights of Columbus Home Corporation of Geneva recently, Richard Heffernan was elected president to succeed Arthur J. Cowan who held the position for two years.

OTHER OFFICERS elected were: George O'Connor, vice-president; Edward Mulcahy, secretary; and H. Joseph Burns, treasurer. Directors for three years are: Mulcahy, Burns, Thomas Jennings, Francis Church and Robert Roulan.

Other directors are: O'Connor, Cowan, Joseph Linehan, Charles Connell and John A. Murray, two years; Heffernan, Eugene Marshall, William Leonard, Thomas Gallagher, and James Guinan, one year; Richard Walsh, chairman of the nominating committee.

A tribute was paid to the late Frank Murphy who was serving as treasurer at the time of his death.

A financial report of the year's activities was read and distributed at the meeting. It was announced that the mortgage on the building has been paid in full.

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Rewarded At Vacation School

AT CLOSING RITE of the Religious Vacation Summer School of St. Patrick's Church, Rochester, the Rev. Anthony F. Callmeri, administrator, presents awards to Mary Passifiume and Marie Turri. Members of the parish Mothers Club served luncheon to the children following noonday Mass. Dedicated to the Sacred Heart, the Summer School was conducted by a Sister Missionary Servant of the Most Blessed Trinity, assisted by members of the Missionary Cenacle Lay Apostolate.

Bowling League Slates Meet

There will be a meeting for the Catholic Mens Bowling League Friday (tonight), Aug. 11, at Holy Redeemer Club. It is important that every team be represented for the election of officers and adopt plans for the coming season. Bowling will start Sept. 8 at North Park Lanes. Any individuals wishing to join the league are requested to attend this meeting.

Annual Novena Honors Founder St. John Eudes

Annual Novena in honor of St. John Eudes opened yesterday, Aug. 10 at Holy Angels Home chapel, 1326 Winton Road North, and will continue through Aug. 19.

FOUNDER OF the Sisters of Charity of Refuge who staff the girls' home, St. John Eudes was born Nov. 14, 1601. He was ordained on Christmas Day, 1625 and in 1641 founded the Order of nuns on Dec. 8.

St. John Eudes also founded a Congregation of secular priests, the Congregation of Jesus and Mary (Eudists), to conduct seminaries. Members of the order teach at Cardinal Dougherty High School, Buffalo.

In 1648 he received permission to establish a feast, with a Mass and Office in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, which has been celebrated ever since by his priests and Sisters on Feb. 8. In 1672, he celebrated a feast with a Mass and an Office, in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

THE LEAFLET of the Apostleship of Prayer for August 19, feast of St. John Eudes, is available.

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Looking Back

Scrapbook Recounts 'Early Days' Of KC

By THOMAS H. O'CONNOR

The report that the Knight of Columbus will hear in Denver, Colo., next week of 1,143,714 members and \$1.1 billion in insurance was read with interest after glancing at clippings of the local council happenings in the early 1930s.

While the figures in the international report are to be acclaimed, the comparative figures of the "early days" were considered achievements in Rochester at the time.

ROCHESTER COUNCIL No. 178 then, as now located, in the Columbus Civic Center had a large membership. The reason was summed up perhaps at a breakfast following Holy Communion at which the late Bishop John Francis O'Hern spoke to 500 members.

"Your strength and services were realized in no uncertain manner in the late World War when you were called upon to serve your fellow men." The Bishop also said: "Let us enter upon a new era, a new epoch of fraternal, social and civic life, working together with a common understanding, rejoicing in one another's successes and never letting the spirit of envy, jealousy or hatred find a resting place in our thoughts."

John A. Doyle was grand knight at that time and presented United States Marshall Joseph M. Fritsch, as lay speaker. Marshall Fritsch's son is Children's Court Judge at the present time. Others at the speakers table were: Rev. Dr. William A. Cowan, Rev. Arthur A. Hughes, Rev. Joseph H. Gefell, Charles R. Barnes, past grand knight; R. Frank Quinn, Fourth Degree, faithful navigator; Herman G. Hetzler, Alhambra grand commander; Timothy B. O'Donnell of Albion and Leo C. Fleming, breakfast chairman.

The knights and their families had great get-togethers outdoors the clippings show. One of the memorable ones was in August, 1930, when 3000 men, women and children attended. Grand Knight Doyle directed the plans including a parade from Columbus Civic Center to Genesee Valley Park. Heading the parade was the late Harry P. Somerville then manager of the Sagamore Hotel and well capable of handling such a procession. The Immaculate Conception Boys Band furnished the music.

LAWRENCE B. WEBER, who operated the store opposite old Cathedral High School was the general chairman. The traditional ball game was between the "Irish" captained by John Doyle and the "Germans" with Herman Hetzler in charge. The paper reports the Irish won but not how.

Games and races were conducted by Physical Director Pat Pasini of Columbus Civic Center, his daughter Miss Dorothy Pasini, Leo F. Rombaut, Leo Fleming and Norbert Rauber.

A special prize was presented by Chairman Weber to Charlie Barnes for being "the best looking man" on the grounds. William Hall received the prize for having the largest family.

Other picnics of this nature were conducted at Ontario Beach Park and Manitou Beach — it was the era before too many automobiles and the crowds were always in the thousands.

"Another activity reported of the Rochester knights in 1931 was the "personality Derby" conducted in conjunction with a revue and dance at Columbus Civic Center auditorium, April 14, 1931. A clipping of the committee shows Grand Knight Doyle at a table surrounded by Dr. Walter B. O'Neill, general chairman; Faithful Navigator Frank Quinn and Advocate Frederick J. Mix, secretary of the executive committee.

More than 85 young women were reported in the contest for a \$1000 prize. The clipping on the winner's name unfortunately did not get pasted in the book.

A Fourth Degree ceremonial in which Bishop O'Hern was received at a member is reported in several other clippings colored with age. The affair was opened with Mass at old St. Patrick's Cathedral.

TWO PHOTOS in the Democrat and Chronicle of April 28, 1930, show men of that era well remembered in Catholic circles. Attired in formal dress and wearing baldrics and silk hats were the escort comprising Thomas F. Sharkey, William M. Smith, Elmer Loavenbrook, Frederick J. Mix, James P. Jones, Edward J. McGrath, George W. Henner and Albert J. Klem, all past Faithful navigators. They escorted Bishop O'Hern and Monsignor William M. Hart.

Another photo shows Paul Sisson, district deputy from Seneca Falls, Dr. William T. Shanahan, superintendent of Craig Colony, Sonyea; Charles R. Barnes and Faithful Navigator Frank Quinn.

Supreme Knight Martin H. Carmody of Grand Rapids, Mich., attended and witnessed the sword presentation by Frederick J. Mix to Bishop O'Hern.

The account of the degree reports Bishop O'Hern speaking on the degree's ideal, patriotism. He said: "Patriotism is a love of country, a loyalty to its best ideals and traditions. It is a love tender and strong as the affection of child for mother."

There is no need to go back beyond the late World War to know what the Knights of Columbus have meant, and will mean in these United States in loyalty, in service, and in patriotism.

I recall all of these happenings — at the time, the recorder of Rochester Council was listed with the same name as at the head of this column.

Dinner, Fete Honor Pastor

Stanley — A Family Style Stanley, on Route 245. Dinner and Festival will be held as a joint effort of the parishioners of St. Theresa's Church, Stanley, and St. Mary's Church, Rushville, to honor their silver jubilarian pastor, on Sunday, August 20.

The Rev. W. Darcy Bolger is pastor of both parishes. Francis Flood and Mrs. Lula Keavney, chairmen, representing the two parishes, invite Father Bolger's friends to join them in their celebration of his 25th Anniversary in the priest-place from 1 until 5 p.m. on hood and third year as pastor St. Theresa's Church grounds, of Stanley and Rushville.

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Family Rosary Lists Franciscan Third Order

Members of St. Patrick's Fraternity of the Third Order of St. Francis will participate in the Family Rosary for Peace radio program on Saturday, Aug. 12 at 7 p.m. in St. Francis of Assisi Church Family Rosary Center, 401 Orange St.

The Family Rosary program is broadcast every evening over radio station WSAJ, under the direction of the Rev. Joseph A. Cirrincione, pastor.

PERRY FINKS of Holy Rosary parish will lead in the recitation of the Rosary.

The Third Order Fraternity will welcome at the Family Rosary Center, any who would wish to participate in the recitation of the Rosary for Peace.

A special tribute will mark the occasion since Aug. 12 is the Feastday of St. Clare, a Franciscan saint of the second Order founded by St. Francis of Assisi, and patroness of television.

Members of the Third Order of St. Francis and all who are interested in promoting good television are urged to continue their prayers to St. Clare for the success of a new series of films to appear in the late fall on the TV Hour of St. Francis.

The first series, which appeared on Channel 10, WVET-TV from Dec. 25 to Jan. 29.

Father Menard, Pioneer Priest Dead 300 Years

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his self sacrifice, whether the lot fell to him to be the first to plant the Cross among the Cayuga or to bear it to the nations not less fierce that dwell by the great maritime lakes of the distant West."

A monument dedicated to the memory of Father Menard and the Jesuit Missionaries of the Cayugas was blessed October 12, 1911, on the Union Springs-Aurora road by the late Archbishop Thomas F. Hickey. The monument has recently been transferred to a new site, closer to the village of Aurora. It will be rededicated in early autumn to commemorate both the 300th anniversary of the missionary's death and the 50th year of the monument.

The Diocese of Rochester has other memorabilia of Father Menard. One is the Menard Bridge spanning the Seneca River between Auburn and Seneca Falls. The naming of the bridge in honor of Cayuga's first missionary was effected chiefly through the efforts of the late Right Reverend Edward J. Byrne of St. Bernard's faculty.

Monsignor Byrne was assisted in this project by the Reverend Alexander M. Stewart, a Rochester Baptist minister, who has written a biography of Father Menard. Mr. Stewart's interest in and writings on the Jesuit missionaries has attracted national and international attention.

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