

Campus Dateline

Sodality Dance

The Nazareth Academy Sodality of Our Lady sponsored a Christmas formal Wednesday, Dec. 27, from 9 to midnight at the Chamber of Commerce.

Syl Novelli's orchestra played. The theme of the dance was "Snowflake Serenade" and decorations featured the theme.

Committee chairmen were as follows: Carol Marsh, general chairman; Helen Mueller and Theresa Sillick, decorations; Judith Drechsler and Kathleen Fahrer, publicity; Sheila Connor and Kathryn Rice, refreshments; Kathleen Mitchell, special arrangements; Carole Lloyd and Mary Scholl, tickets and bids; Jeanne Desmarais and Charlotte Salone, undecorating.

supplying them with dinner and Christmas presents. On Dec. 7 the student body assisted at a Mass offered by Rev. P. David Finks, Mercy's chaplain, for these families, that they might have a happy Christmas.

Visit To Carmel

Several Mercians shared their Christmas offering by singing the Midnight Mass at the Carmelite Monastery on Christmas Eve, according to Sister Mary Margaret, Glee Club director.

The choir members were accompanied by Mary Ann Schipper, a Mercy graduate, class of '61. Mary Ann is now a freshman at Nazareth College.

Convent Concert

The Fontbonne Band of Nazareth Academy gave a Christmas concert for the Sisters of Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent on Mount Vernon Avenue Friday, Dec. 22, at 1:30 p.m.

Besides playing a number of traditional Christmas carols, the band played "Three Songs for Christmas" by Clare Grundman, "Bay State March" by Burrell, and "Waltzing Doll" by Poldini, featuring Dorothy Koster and Mary Ann O'Connor, flutists.

Mercy Yuletide

Members of the Health Careers Club entertained patients at the Rochester State Hospital, Dec. 22, by singing Christmas carols and distributing small favors to almost two hundred people in four different wards.

The McAuley Club, a social service group, states that its volunteer workers at the Genesee Settlement House, along with other area students, participated in a Christmas entertainment program, Dec. 15, for their young charges. Senior Sue Bosseler is president of the club. Carol Oleksyn, another senior, helped to plan the entertainment. Another branch of the club furnished a Christmas party for the children who attend the school for the deaf.

SGA Party

A Student Government-sponsored Christmas party wound up the Mercy school year, 1961, on Thursday, Dec. 21, according to Margaret Mary Garvey, SGA president. A Christmas concert by McQuaid's Glee Club climaxed the party festivities.

Students then witnessed the school Christmas play, "Le Petit Roi de Gloire," presented under the direction of Sister Mary Plus.

Debate Tourney

The first novice Invitational Debate Tournament sponsored by McQuaid Jesuit High School attracted 120 debaters from 10 western New York schools last Saturday, with top honors going to two entries from Buffalo.

In the "A" Division, Canisius High School edged Mt. St. Mary's, its Buffalo rival, to capture the team trophy. The girls of Mt. St. Mary's balanced that "B" Division victory in the St. Andrew's Seminary. All three schools had 5-1 records, with the winner being decided on speaker points.

The other participating schools were: Aquinas, Jamestown, Pittsford, Victor, Webster, and the host McQuaid team. McQuaid's varsity debaters, under chairman James Brodman, served as tournament directors.

'White Fantasia'

"White Fantasia" set the mood this year for the annual Christmas Formal at Our Lady of Mercy High School. The dance, sponsored by the Student Government Association, was held Dec. 27 in the school gym from 9-12 p.m., according to Margaret Garvey, SGA president and honorary dance chairman. Jack Nunn's orchestra will play.

Dance chairman, senior Heide Froschmeier, had the following committee chairmen: Mary Ellen Fink, social chairman; Ginny Tubiolo, decorations; Sue Bosseler, refreshments; Judy Terhaar, tickets; and Jean Germano, service.

McQuaid Holiday

The Christmas holiday at McQuaid Jesuit High began on Friday morning following the celebration of Mass by pastor Rev. Robert J. Boyle, S.J., in the school gymnasium.

But while many of the 900 McQuaid students make a rapid holiday shopping a number will remain behind to launch the annual Christmas basket deliveries to needy Rochester families.

In cooperation with Catholic Charities, McQuaid this year has "adopted" 51 families totaling almost 300 persons. All week long, homerooms have been accumulating food items to go along with the gifts that poured in at Sunday's Parents' Christmas Party. On Friday, the central item—a turkey—will be purchased for each basket. Holiday trimmings will brighten cartons and bushel baskets. Individual flourishes will be added, and finally the deliveries will be made by the students, accompanied in most cases by their homeroom teachers.

Xmas Baskets

Christmas baskets donated by students of Our Lady of Mercy High School were delivered to eighty needy Rochester families by Mercians on Dec. 23, according to Sister Mary Maureen, Sodality moderator.

Volunteer Sodality organizers by Mary Ellen Monnat, Sodality prefect packed the food and presents in the school gym Dec. 22.

Christmas baskets are the Mercy girls' gifts to families in need. Each homeroom took charge of two or three families.

Inter-High Meet

McQuaid Jesuit High School was host last week to a meeting of student council representatives and moderators from Rochester's six Catholic high schools.

Purpose of the inter-high conclave, which lasted for almost four hours, was to exchange ideas on various aspects of student life with a view toward mutual improvement. A topic



U.S. Seminarians Ordained In Rome

Vatican City — (RNS) — Kneeling in prayer at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome is this group of seminarians — 53 Americans and 1 Canadian — who were ordained by Archbishop Martin J. O'Connor, rector of the North American Pontifical College in Rome where they studied for the priesthood. It was the first time in the 102-year history of the college that the entire graduating class was ordained in St. Peter's. Witnessing the ceremony were many pilgrims to Rome, including families of the new priests from America.

Faith Fades In Poland

Berlin—(NC)—A poll among science students in Warsaw indicates the new generation of scientists in Poland is swinging away from Christian belief.

If the poll is representative of Poland's young intellectuals, it reveals real progress in the Polish communist campaign to uproot the traditional Catholic Faith. But the same poll casts doubt on the progress of the communists' twin campaign to plant Marxism in its stead.

The proportion of non-believing students disinterested in religion increased from one out of four to one out of three in the years from 1958, according to the survey at Warsaw Polytechnic Institute.

Yet in the 34 per cent calling themselves non-believing and indifferent, one out of seven continues to practice his religion.

Those who professed to believe dropped from 74 per cent in 1958 to 67 per cent in 1961. And those believers who do not practice their religion doubled, from 6 per cent in 1958 to 12 per cent in 1961.

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of Patricia Conlon, Mary Pizzo and Marcia Hopkins respectively, while a fourth — an International Table depicting English, Irish, Scotch, French and Spanish customs was managed by Pauline Angione.

A committee of four St.

Agnes girls, Ruth Egan, Cathy Reedy, Patricia Bader, and Michelle Cournoyer, shopped for the thirty-nine gifts with Mrs. Jacobs using a suggestion list provided by Dr. Kate Purwin, Chief Psychiatrist of the Children's Division at the State Hospital. The gifts were specifically requested by each child, or else recommended by a member of the hospital staff who knows each child's needs and wants.

Dr. Purwin again made

known that the State Department of Mental Hygiene provides basic maintenance for these emotionally disturbed and psychotic children. However, there are no provisions of funds for the "extra things" which Junior Red Cross has been providing for birthdays and holidays on a year-round basis.

After the shopping tour, the gifts were sent directly to St. Agnes along with small items such as toothbrushes and combs and wrapping paper, ribbon and gift tags.

History Club

A unique Christmas party annually takes the place of the December meeting of the St. Agnes High School History Club. Under the direction of Sister Edwardine, faculty advisor of the Timon Club, and Patricia Conlon, the club's president, this year's "U.N. Party" took place on Dec. 15 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

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of Patricia Conlon, Mary Pizzo and Marcia Hopkins respectively, while a fourth — an International Table depicting English, Irish, Scotch, French and Spanish customs was managed by Pauline Angione.

Each table displayed a centerpiece

and various Christmas delicacies typical of that country; two girls in native costume described some of national customs traditional to season, and offered pierresonne, oblatki and wangi, to "willing club members." Records of carols sung in the different languages completed the worldwide celebration. About sixty members attended.

Funeral Mass for Mrs. Veronica

Fox Dodson was offered by her brother, the Rev. Robert J. Fox in St. John the Evangelist Church, Humboldt St. on Monday, Dec. 11 after services at Mattie Funeral Home.

Mrs. Dodson, widow of the late Harry E. Dodson, died Friday, Dec. 8, 1961.

FATHER FOX, pastor of SS.

Peter and Paul Church was assisted by Rev. Robert J. Downs, Deacon and Rev. Paul J. McCabe, Subdeacon. Also present were the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Frank W. Mason and the Reverend Fathers Joseph Donovan, Edward H. Hartmann, J. Beecher Sullivan, Joseph Dailey and Vincent E. LeFrois.

Mrs. Dodson was a member of the Rosary Society and of the Ladies of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen.

She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Walter J. (Margaret) Mary, Mrs. Joseph M. (Luella) Hofmann, Mrs. Charles K. (Mary) Suss and Mrs. E. Lawrence (Dolores) Callahan; 14 grandchildren and six great grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Lorenz (Bertha) Stutz, Mrs. Ralph (Linda) Ester and Mrs. Dolores Christoff; two other brothers, Charles and Lawrence Fox.

Red Cross Unit
The Junior Red Cross Unit at St. Agnes High School was Three tables representing the selected by Mrs. Florence Ja-Polish, Italian and German

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Priest's Kin, M. F. O'Beirne Requiem Held

Funeral Mass for Michael F. O'Beirne was offered by his brother, the Rev. John P. O'Beirne in St. Mary's Church, Rochester Saturday, Dec. 16. Mr. O'Beirne, 73, of 2179 Monroe Ave., a retired Fire Bureau Battalion Chief died Dec. 13, 1961.

Assisting Father O'Beirne, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Seneca Falls were the Rev. L. John Hedges, Deacon and the Rev. Robert C. McNamara, Subdeacon.

Also present were the Right Reverend Monsignor James C. McAniff, V.G., John M. Duffy, Francis B. Burns and Richard K. Burns and ten other priests.

Mr. O'Beirne is also survived by his wife, Elizabeth; two sons, Rev. John Michael O'Beirne in New Mexico and Robert Emmett of Rochester; a daughter, Mrs. Donald Foote; another brother, Andrew of Rochester; three sisters, Mrs. Martin Flynn, Miss Marie O'Beirne and Sister M. Etheldreda and two grandchildren.

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