

Fall Party Listed By Ithaca Parishioners

Ithaca — A fall parish party will be featured. Round dancing, to the music of Eddie Moore's Band, is planned for the "town" location at the VFW Hall at 423 W. State Street.

Committee co-chairmen, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Hood and Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Conley, announce that the coming party will be held in two simultaneous sections in order to accommodate more guests than has previously been possible. Tickets will be honored at either or both locations.

A "Town and Country" theme will be featured. Round dancing, to the music of Eddie Moore's Band, is planned for the "town" location at the VFW Hall at 423 W. State Street.

In addition to the dancing, refreshments and entertainment will be offered at both locations. Parishioners may consult the Sunday bulletin for information about reservations.

Lay Catechist Course Begins In Ithaca Sept. 17

The first session in the Lay Catechist training course for this school year will be held on Monday, Sept. 17, at 7:30 p.m. in Immaculate Conception School in Ithaca.

come under the religious education program supervised by the Mission Helpers. Many lay catechists assist in the teaching program at present but many more are needed. Any interested person who would like to take the course, or learn more about it may contact the Mission Helpers at Ithaca AR3-2313.

Over 900 elementary school children attending public schools in the Ithaca area

AUXILIARIES of the K of C

First Fall meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary, Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, will be held on Thursday, Sept. 20 at the Columbus Civic Center.

Those members who have joined in the past two years will be initiated on that night.

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GOD LOVE YOU!

By MOST REV. FULTON J. SHEEN

A LETTER FROM AFRICA RECEIVED AT THE NATIONAL OFFICE:

"Our priests are caring for 8,000 starving nomads in a nearby desert. These noble people have been truly 'dwelling in the shadow of death'—hundreds of them have died of hunger and over 99 per cent of them are pagan. They are a people apart, practically untouched by Christianity or civilization, untouched even by the 'wind of change' that is sweeping over Africa.

"So little was known of their 'closed area' that it was only a few months ago that we discovered that it was 30,000 square miles rather than 20,000 square miles. This territory, chiefly because of its lack of roads and many dangers, was closed to all except government officials and occasional visitors who had been issued special passes. For a decade we had been hoping to establish a Mission in it, but it was only when it seemed most hopeless, when we were almost despairing, that God provided encouragement and the opportunity for which we had been praying.

"This is how it happened. One late evening, while exploring missionary possibilities in this desert area, three puzzled priests could see no way of establishing a Mission in these sun-scorched surroundings. In their dilemma, they invoked the Holy Spirit and 'cut the Bible.' The Book opened at the words: 'This is a desert place and it is late now; send them away. . . . But He answered and said to them: they need not go away. . . . you yourselves give them something to eat.'

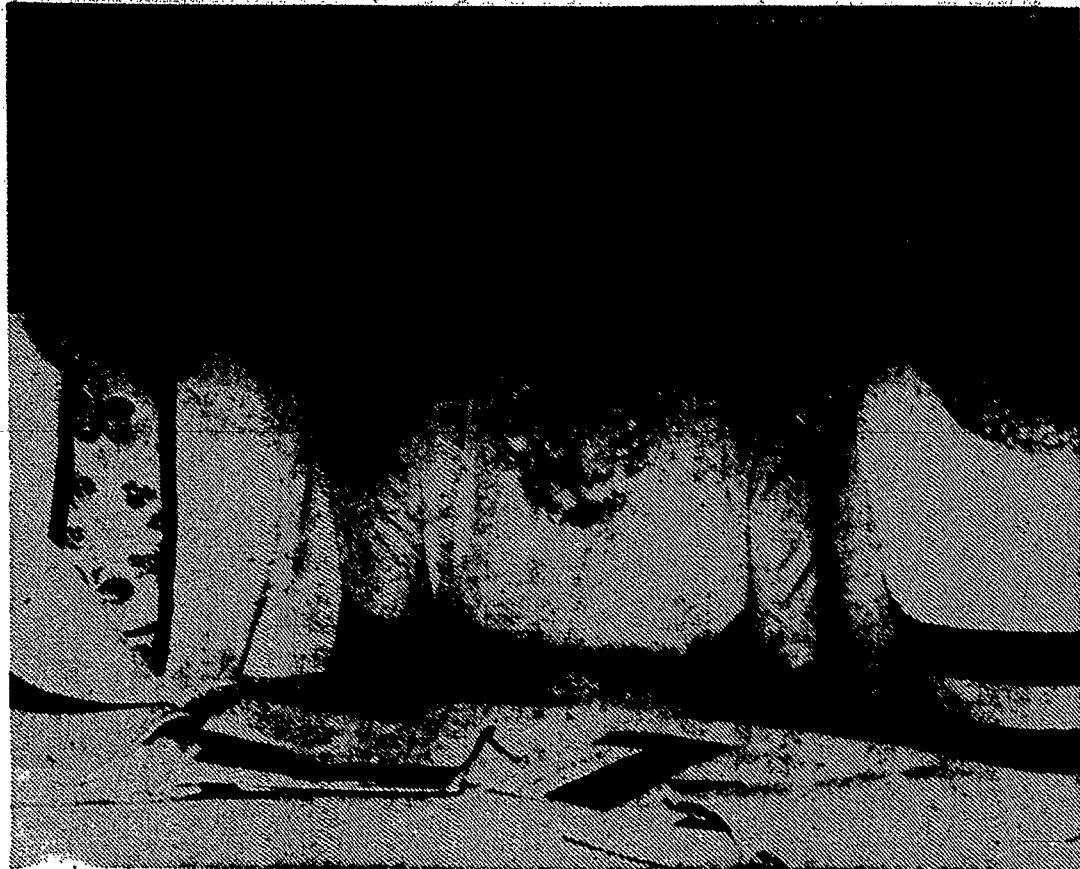
"Some weeks after the missionaries had read these encouraging words, the Good Lord provided them with the necessary food to feed these famine-stricken people and the first contact was made. Now, this 'manna' is preparing the Turkana for the Bread of Life; over a thousand of them are presently under instruction."

"May this example inspire your generosity. Though all are worthy, it is not possible for you to answer the thousands of appeals that come to you. Just as cities instituted the Community Chest in order to avoid excessive solicitations, so the Church has developed The Society for the Propagation of the Faith where, without excluding help to others, aid is first and principally given to the Vicar of Christ. In giving to him you give to all. Always remember that The Society for the Propagation of the Faith is the Church's own Society for gathering and distributing funds for the Missions. If you do this, you will remember us in your will, in taking out annuities and in your daily prayers and sacrifices.

GOD LOVE YOU. to Anonymous for \$100 "For the poor and sick in Hong Kong and India." . . . to F.W. for \$15 "Thanks to the Sacred Heart, Our Lady and the saints, particularly St. Jude, for favors received." . . . to Mrs. L.R. and family for \$25.44 "This check represents pennies our family saves all year round; this is our gift to the Faith before we enjoy our vacation."

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Cut out this column, pin your sacrifice to it and mail it to Most Rev. Fulton J. Sheen, National Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 366 Fifth Avenue, New York 1, N.Y., or your Diocesan Director, Rev. John F. Duffy, 57 Chestnut St., Rochester 4, New York.



College Delegates In Chicago

Sandra Huber, 245 Estall Road, Senior Delegate; Helen Kaney, Buffalo, Junior Delegate; and Marie Lecsese, 49 Gorsline St., Student Government representative and senior Student Council representative at Nazareth College are shown here in session as they helped draft the first resolution approved by the XIX Congress of the National Federation of Catholic College Students held in Chicago Aug. 27 through Sept. 1.

Mother's College Education Enriches Family Life

By FATHER JOHN L. THOMAS, S. J.
Sociology Professor St. Louis University

Do you accept suggestions for topics to discuss in your column? Although I'm past eighty, I'm an avid reader of your column and would like to have you write on the subject: education for the girl. Educating a girl is a real need of today's family life—if the girl or wife is educated, her whole family reaps the benefits. The world today needs brains.

Suggestions for topics to be discussed are always welcome since the purpose of this column is to deal with problems of immediate interest and concern to my readers. Such suggestions are most helpful if they are accompanied by your own views and are related to some particular problem or situation of your immediate experience.

It might be well to add that only issues more or less closely connected with marriage and family life can be discussed in my column. Requests for information on other topics should be submitted to other columnists.

YOUR VIEWS on education for girls are quite similar to mine. Perhaps to a superficial observer of mod-

ern trends in education there would seem to be little need to discuss this point further. We have come a long way from the post-reformation views of colonial times when it was believed that formal education for women was somehow contrary to their nature and made them unwomanly.

In spite of its obvious aberrations, the century-long struggle of the feminist movement, aided by the expanding opportunities for employment created by our technically advanced society, served gradually to modify traditional attitudes concerning the educational capacities of women, so that sexual differences in this regard are no longer considered significant.

Whether boys and girls should receive the same type of formal education remains an open question, but the belief that they should receive roughly equivalent amounts is rightly no longer open to discussion.

An analysis of the thinking relating to this changed popular view reveals that it stems from two major premises. You have indicated one in your statement that the girl's education will benefit her family when she becomes a wife and mother. The other, and perhaps the more operative one, is that girls need an education in order to secure employment, for they are expected not only to be self-supporting before marriage but must be prepared to seek outside employment during marriage if family finances should require it.

These two motives for promoting the education of girls correspond to a fundamental ambivalence or confusion in dual focus in their preparation for life. Considering current marriage trends, there can be no doubt that American young women regard

marriage as their major goal in life. Indeed, in comparison with other women of the Western world, more of them eventually marry, they marry younger, and they marry often.

On the other hand, the majority together with their parents, appear to regard formal education primarily as a preparation for employment rather than marriage, so that if they marry young or "well," they have little serious need for education.

In other words, with the exception of the members of the upper social classes who have a relatively long tradition of education as a general preparation for life, there are sound reasons for doubting that the bulk of American women presently regard their ample educational opportunities as anything more than necessary means for getting a job—or a husband.

From the viewpoint of young women, our colleges, and more recently our high schools, have become socially organized hunting grounds for a mate. Although they take the required courses and frequently secure relatively good grades, they are not really interested in their intellectual development and feel slight commitment to the pursuit of knowledge. Briefly, they want to get married, and in our society schools provide the most convenient concentration of available prospective mates.

If this observation appears unduly cynical, one might consider how many young women unhesitatingly terminate their educational program as soon as they have an opportunity to marry. How many mothers with a daughter in high school are seriously concerned about her progress in intellectual development as long as she is popular and reveals adequate

competence in the highly competitive struggle to secure the "right" dates?

What blushing bride, flushed with her success in securing a well-educated young man for her life-partner, ever asks herself what serious preparation she has made to become the companion and help-mate of such a spouse?

The factors underlying this paradoxical, short-sighted viewpoint are not difficult to discover. Our society places great emphasis on marriage rather than on the family. Particularly among mothers and daughters, preparation for marriage is consequently thought of primarily as the acquisition of the social skills required to secure a suitable partner, while the qualities needed to fulfill their roles as wives and mothers receive minor consideration or are simply taken for granted.

Hence mothers are little concerned about their daughters' intellectual development or training in domestic arts. Since their major focus is marriage they early orient their daughters' interest and attention chiefly in this direction.

Yes, I fully agree with you that education for girls is a prime requisite for stable family life today, but society can provide only the opportunity. Mere exposure to education will prove of little avail as long as interest and attention are focused primarily on getting married rather than on self-development and preparation for family life.

More Mission Aid Asked

Groningen —(RNS)— Changing world conditions demand greater support than ever for missionaries, Catholic Bishop Pieter A. Nierman of Groningen declared here.

He spoke at ceremonies in the Groningen Cathedral where he handed mission crosses to 361 Dutch religious about to leave for foreign mission fields.

Vacation Schools Draw 5381

A total of 5381 children attended religious vacation schools in the Diocese of Rochester, this year, according to Rev. Albert H. Schnackey, diocesan director of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine.

Parishes and the number of children attending religious vacation schools in 1962 follows:

Rochester	
Corpus Christi	50
Holy Apostles	110
St. Augustine	48
St. Bridget	105
St. Theresa	30
Addison	103
Aurora	65
Bath	125
Caledonia	75
Cato	65
Red Creek	62
Churchville	85
Clifton Springs	112
Cohocton	57
Corning	
St. Patrick	55
Dausville	
St. Mary	80
Dryden	193
East Bloomfield	126
West Bloomfield	117
Ellmira Heights	97
Genesee	120
Groton	208
Hammondsport	60
Henrietta	140
Rush	52
Honeoye Falls	141
Interlaken	39
King Ferry	80
Leicester	164
Livonia	205
Livonia Center	75
Honeoye	70
Macedon	179
Mendon	68
Montezuma	60
Moravia	84
Naples	46
Newark	76
Nunda	42
Groveland	21
Ontario	185
Ovid	120
Owego	85
Palmyra	152
Penn Yan	60
Phelps	46
Canisteo	78
Scipio	140
Scottsville	118
Shortsville	228
Sodus	50
Stanley	89
Trumansburg	101
Watertown	72
Watkins Glen	84
Odessa	27
Webster	86
Weedsport	125

Pilgrims Visit Nations Capitol

During the Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1-3, 28 people which comprised of the Legion of Mary and Third Order of St. Francis attended a pilgrimage to Washington, D.C. Mrs. Selma De Rycke, pilgrim promoter, 108 Elm St., Newark, directed the pilgrimage.

The group visited the Immaculate Conception Cathedral and the Franciscan Monastery. They attended Masses and private devotions while at the shrine.

Next year Mrs. DeRycke is planning a pilgrimage to Our Lady of La Salette, Ennid, New Hampshire and time allotting visit the Shrine of St. Anne, Isle La Motte, Vermont.

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