

At Our House

That Old Felt Hat

By MARY TINLEY DALY



Somebody, somewhere, is going to get the surprise of his life when that portion of the Bishops' Relief clothing emanating from our house lands on his hapless head.

And somebody at our house is in for a surprise, too, when he finds that, search and morn as he will, a misshapen old brown felt hat is beyond his reach forevermore.

"Why, this hat has character," the Head of the House has stoutly maintained for years. "It's a real reporter hat. You'd never find a newspaperman done up in one of those Madison Avenue jobs with a narrow brim and, excuse the heresy, a feather in it. No, sir, give me my old brown felt!"

WELL, SIR, we did give it to him, gave it to him when it was a brand new brown felt, beautifully blocked, with snap brim and with excuse-the-heresy, a gay little feather in the hat-band. At the time, it replaced its predecessor, an old gray felt, also with "character," so much character that it literally wore through in the brim where our reporter constantly tugged it over his eyes.

At the time we gave him the new—now old—brown felt, first step was removal of the hat's character, which he gave to Ginny for her doll. (Now you know how long ago that was!) So, within a week or two, the hat blocker would have seethed with frustration had he seen how quickly all his efforts were sacrificed to "character."

Maybe it is the newspaperman in him that causes the Head of the House to treat hats the way he does, though we have known a lot of newspapermen who, astorically, could pass for insurance salesmen, politicians or stock brokers—some of the younger ones even adopting the new tuit of hatlessness.

Not for our reporter. Like a fireman, wearing a hat to his clothes, our man slips that old hat on his head at an oblique angle, pulling it down over his eyes with the right hand, and he's off—not to cover murders, fires and killings as in the past—but to on such sedate missions as going to Mass. The effect is characteristic, perhaps, "swashbuckling" is the best word description.

Maybe it was chicken to keep the old brown felt out of the Bishops' Relief box the past several years—or the fact that we're fond of the guy who is fond of the hat.

This fall, however, a couple of style-conscious daughters got into the act, even to a financial suit in the venture.

"We've bought Daddy a new hat and he's going to wear it right now—not wait till Christmas. That beat-up old one is a disgrace, a positive disgrace!"

(Far be it from us to remind that the new one will immediately start its swashbuckling path.)

"The only way we'll get him to wear the new one is to do away with the old—give it to a binocular."

WE KNEW what the meant, though for a moment the thought of a bishop wearing our reporter's hat was startling.

Today we picked: all of us contributing really usable clothing and bedding, the Head of the House, adding a suit, coat, shoes, underwear and, unbeknownst to himself, his "treasure," the old felt hat.



MRS. KENNETH HANCOCK

Rites Join Area Couple

Miss Sandra Lee Vasseur, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dunhou of Ohio St., and Kenneth Eimer Hancock, son of Mrs. Charles Noto and the late Harsh Hancock, were married in St. James Church, on Nov. 1. Rev. Richard C. O'Connell officiated at the double ring ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle William H. Hafner.

Matron of Honor was Mrs. Warren Dunhou, sister of the bride and bridesmaid was Miss Jane Hancock, sister of the groom.

James Hancock was best man for his father and Charles Joseph Vasseur, the bride's brother, was usher.

The groom attended Niagara University.

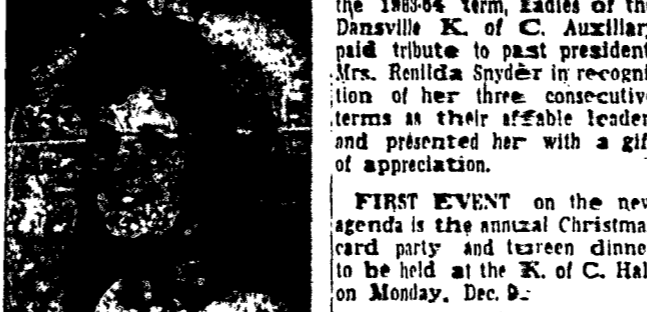


Macedon Couple Marks 62nd Wedding Jubilee

Macedon—Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dwyer of Fairport are celebrating their 62nd year of married life. It has been a family tradition for many years for the family to gather on Thanksgiving Day for Mass at St. Patrick's and for festivities in the family home.

Dennis Dwyer, a native of Macedon, and Bridget Carney of Fairport were married Nov. 23, 1901 at the Church of the Assumption in Fairport. For the past 60 years they have lived in their home on the Wayneport Road.

They have four children: Edward of Batavia and John of Aldrich Road in Fairport.



MRS. WILLIAM HARGREAVES

Wedding Held At Holy Cross

Miss Ellen Eileen Agness of Rollard Ave. and William C. Hargreaves of Bakerfield Rd. were married Nov. 23 at Holy Cross Church. Rev. E. Richard Bricker, cousin of the bride, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Agness. The groom is the son of Mrs. Richard Weiser and William Hargreaves.

Mrs. James Patre was matron of honor and bridesmaids were Miss Patricia Brickler, Mrs. Thomas Brickler, Mrs. John Wood and Mrs. Thomas Callan. John Raymond was best man and ushers were John Brickler, Charles Schuchart, John Fratcare and Edward Mambretti.

Kathleen Hayes was maid of honor and bridesmaid was Theresa Bozek. Frederick Plus was best man and ushering was Donald Perce. Timothy George was ring bearer.

LCBA Senate Advisory Senate, Ladies Catholic 1st General Association Christmas Party, Monday, Dec. 9 at 4 p.m. in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Hall. Dinner \$2. Reservations are being taken before Dec. 5 by Mrs. Georgiana Nientimp, GO 6-9885, or Mrs. Edward Schneider, HO 7-5148. Members asked to bring articles of clothing for a small child for the Pope's store room. All branch members and their friends are invited.

Satan Groups In Action

19TH BRANCH of Ietion Workers of St. Mary's Hospital to be entertained at luncheon at her home by Mrs. Nelson E. Owen of Maplewood Ave., Wednesday, Dec. 4.

15TH BRANCH will meet at St. Mary's Hospital, Dec. 3, at 12:30 p.m. Members will bring articles to be auctioned off between 1 and 2 p.m. Cards to follow. Mrs. Henry Lenhard and Mrs. Arthur Doyle will report on Christmas party to be held at the Springhouse, Dec. 10.

20TH BRANCH Annual Christmas Party at home of Mrs. Joseph A. Hydrup, 117 Georgian Court Road, Tuesday evening, Dec. 3.

22ND BRANCH members to be entertained at a card party, Wednesday, Dec. 4 by Mrs. Walter Krueger at her home, Harvest Road, Fairport.

49TH BRANCH annual Christmas Party at the Westinghouse, Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m., followed by a meeting at the home of Mrs. Mary Smifert. Arrangements by Mrs. H. Egan and Mrs. E. McAllister.

Nurses' Parents Set Annual Card Party

St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing Parents Association will hold its annual fund-raising card party for the school Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. in the School of Nursing auditorium.

THE PROGRAM acquaints students, parents and friends with the St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing, its curriculum and facilities, and includes table prizes. Proceeds are used to assist students and the school.

For members not able to attend, the association will provide prizes for parties at home.

Participants in home parties will be eligible for the school party door prizes. Tickets are \$1 at the door or from School of Nursing students. The public is invited.

Catholic Books In Library

The Americanist Heresy in Roman Catholicism, 1885-1900, by Thomas T. McAvoy, U. of Notre Dame, 1963.

The Church in the Seventeenth Century: An Era of Great Saints, by Henri Daniel-Rops, Dutton, 1963.

The Council in Action, by Hans Kung, Sheed & Ward, 1963.

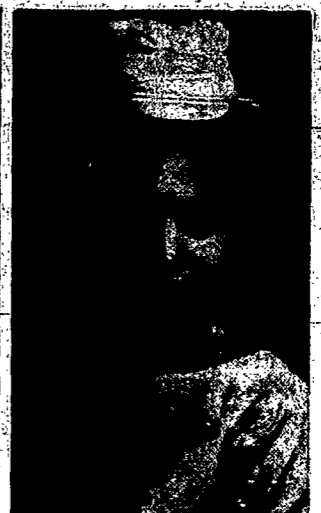
The Devotion to Our Lady, by Edda Graf, Hawthorn, 1963.

International Mortality, by Alfred De Souza, Hawthorn, 1963.

A Man Named John, by Alden Hatch.

Religious Liberty and the American Presidency, by Patricia Barrett, Herder, 1963.

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MRS. ROBERT RUSCHAK

Couple Wed In Auburn

Auburn—Miss Melanie Ann Mahoney, daughter of Francis A. Mahoney of Walnut St. and the late Mrs. Mahoney, was married Nov. 23 to Robert P. Ruschak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ruschak of Seymour St., at St. Peter and Paul Church. The Rev. Basil Ostas officiated.

Niagara Alumni Plan Annual Dance

Rochester Chapter of Niagara University National Alumni Association will hold its annual Thanksgiving dance at Ridgecroft Country Club tonight, Nov. 29, from 7 to 11 p.m.

This informal dance which is an annual affair will benefit the scholarship fund of the chapter.

Arrangements are in charge of Robert Weichbrodt, organizer, and John W. Hart, co-chairmen.

All alumni of Niagara and their friends are invited.

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Book See Parents: My York—'Bringing Your Child to God,' by Fathers Taylor, Zepher, S.J., and Louis Kelly, S.J. has been published here by P. J. Kennedy & Sons. It discusses the religious education of the pre-school child.

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Any widow or widower with children in school is invited to attend. The lectures on this evening will be given by the Rev. Gerald Dunn, Family Life Director and Group Moderator.

THE SUBJECT of the Conference will be "The Parent-Child Relationship." Further information regarding this Naim Conference or the Catholic Widowed Parent Club may be obtained from the group's secretary, Mrs. Marjorie Jacobsen, 54 Glenbrook Rd., 14616.

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**THE BEAUTIFUL POINSETTIA**

So many Christmas legends concern flowers and children. Recall the story of the little Mexican girl on her way to visit Baby Jesus on Christmas Eve. With no gift to give, her sadness increased with every step. In dismay, she knelt and prayed. Lo! A beautiful crimson poinsettia blossomed before her eyes. "Flower of the Holy Night," the Mexicans call it... Buy and a card of PRESSED FLOWERS from the Holy Land and a CHRISTMAS GIFT CARD to those in whose name you wish to

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**THE FLOWERS ARE FOR CONTEMPLATION**

These thought the mystics. White and fruits were for the body but the spirit needed the flowers. Hence the old proverb—If you have two loaves, sell one and buy a Lily... You can make veneration flower in the NEAR AND MIDDLE EAST by helping to educate a seminarian like NICOLA VILOTTA or a Sister-like the SISTER MARY LUUVINA. The cost: \$100 a year for six years for the seminarian. \$150 a year for two years for the Novice. May be paid in installments.

**YOUR ADVENT WREATH**

Four Sundays and four candles before Christmas will heighten the anticipation of Christ's coming. Christmas in Christ's own land won't be pleasant for the million refugees unless we come to their aid. \$10 will procure a FOOD PACK. Add something to let a mother. It will buy a REDOUBT FAMILY a warm Blanket. The refugees have had a long and dismal wait of 15 years—a constant reminder of Christ's words to feed the hungry.

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