

Bishop To Preside At AOH Conclave

Bishop Kearney will preside and preach at the solemn Mass opening the 72nd biennial state convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at St. Patrick's Church, Elmira, next Thursday, June 26, at 9:30 a.m.

CARMELETTA FATHER Don, O.C.M., of New York City will be celebrant of the Mass and speak at the breakfast following in the Mark Twain Hotel.

He is state chaplain of the AOH and its Auxiliary and deputy national chaplain.

Jesuit Father Nicholas J. Sullivan, president of Holyoake College, Syracuse, will speak at the convention's banquet Saturday evening.

Matthew F. Fennell and Mrs. Jane Coggins are chairmen of the convention.

The convention expected to bring 700 delegates to Elmira, Wednesday through Saturday.

Thursday evening there will be an Irish Nite program.

A memorial Mass for deceased members will be offered by Father John S. Hayes at St. Patrick's Church, Friday morning at 9 a.m. Rev. John J. Leary will preach. A convention ball is scheduled for that evening.

To add to the Irish theme of the convention, a hostess of Air Lingus, Irish international airline, will be present to greet delegates.

William Kinase of Brooklyn, state president, will preside at the men's business sessions, while Mrs. Lillian Leach of Queens County, Auxiliary president, will conduct the Auxiliary's sessions.

The AOH national board will be represented by national president James J. Comerford of New York County and national secretary John F. Geoghan of Brooklyn.

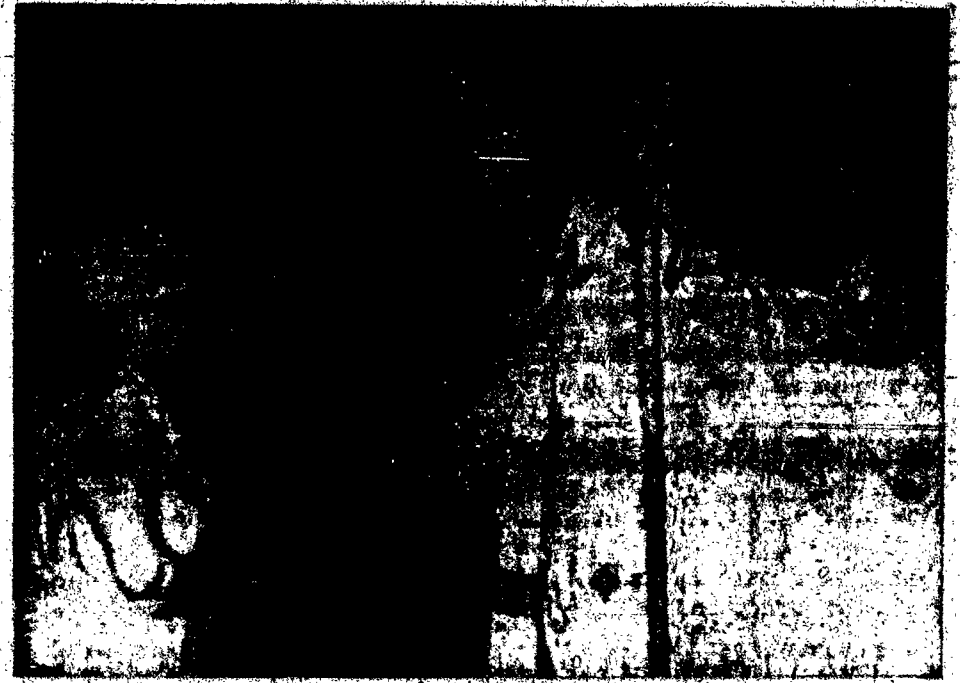
25 Years Ago

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Program for the Holy Name Society Rally expected to attract 10,000 members from St. Ann's church listed addresses by Bishop Kearney and Rev. Harry C. Gahan, O.P., National Director of Holy Name Societies.

A surprise dinner was given by parishioners for Rev. George J. Schmitt, pastor of St. Anne's to mark his silver jubilee of ordination. Also honored was Rev. Dr. George Z. Keitel, pastor of St. Mary's by fellow priests, high American Legion officials and prominent business and professional men. In Victor, Rev. E. Joseph Esser, pastor of St. Patrick's was honored on his silver jubilee. Honored at same time were: Rev. Bartholomew L. Quirk, in Seneca Falls; and Rev. James Fischer, pastor of St. Ann, Onondaga with Rev. John M. Sullivan, pastor of St. Anthony's in the latter rectory.

Youth needs religion more today than at any other time, the Rev. George G. Murdoch, Catholic pastor at West Point, said here in a baccalaureate address at Mass for boys and girls being graduated from Rochester public high schools.



Bishop Kearney greets couples marking their golden wedding anniversary at Cathedral rite.

Bishop Blesses Jubilee Couples

Bishop Kearney blessed 44 couples marking their golden wedding anniversary this year at a Mass Sunday evening in Sacred Heart Cathedral. The jubilarians came from many parishes in the Diocese—Rochester, Hornell, Webster, Penfield and Newark.

In his talk to them, the Bishop described the four occasions on that day and cited the Scripture text, "From the rising of the sun to the going down thereof, the name of the Lord is worthy of praise."

He began the day at a Mass for 250 graduates of St. Agnes High School at which he "carried their thanks to God for accomplishing the goal toward which they worked so faithfully in the four formative years of their high school life."

He then gave the Symbolic cap and pin to 30 graduates of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing and heard their valedictorian express their thanks to God for the blessings of talent and perseverance given them.

The Bishop then presided at the fiftieth anniversary celebration of Monsignor George Schmitt, pastor of Holy Family Church, "to join in his thanksgiving for half a century of grace, baptisms, souls healed in the confessional, the wandering recalled to the faith, the couples blessed and counseled in marriage and the souls carried to heaven on the wings of prayer."

prayers in Requiem Masses he offered for them.

"Now, at the sunset hour of the day, we come again to the altar of God to say thanks to Him and to praise Him for the fifty years of joy and sorrow in your hearts today."

The Bishop compared their fifty years to the fifty Hall Marks of the Rosary and traced the parallel of the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries of the Rosary with the events of the jubilarians' married life—joy "when the hopes for your children were realized," sorrow "for the mistakes inevitable in every life, sickness and the pining of loved ones," and the glorious sharing in heaven's happiness which awaits those who serve God faithfully.

"In the years that are left in the evening of your life, I pray that the mysteries of the Rosary of your life will all be joyful ones," he said.

JUBILIANS attending the Mass were the Mr. and Mrs. John Ammering, Nelson Amstutz, William Burns, Raymond Brayer, Edward Bates, Joseph Contino, John P. Crowley, Ralph DiCesare, Frank Dwyer.

Also Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Fischer, Louis Kremer, Andrew Kundrat, George Knapp, G.S. Lofas, Andrew Labintz, Joseph Lechleitner, Frank Luskyk, Dorothea Mollnar.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Meiszahl, Frank L. McKay, George Maier, Jeremiah Moynihan, Matthew Mosenbach, Eugene McCarty, George McGrath, Nicola Neta, John Novelli, Pius Ostrowski, Frank Palmesaro, Emery Pixley, Pasquel Ertanuel, John Schwartz.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Riccardo, Henry Sanders, Peter Stechel, Charles Servas, Salvatore Speranza, Joseph Simmerlein, Henry Terhaar, Christopher Trovati, Edward Vando, Mortel, Theophil Van Schoonacker, W. E. Wealthy, and Angelo Zanni.

Seton Groups In Action

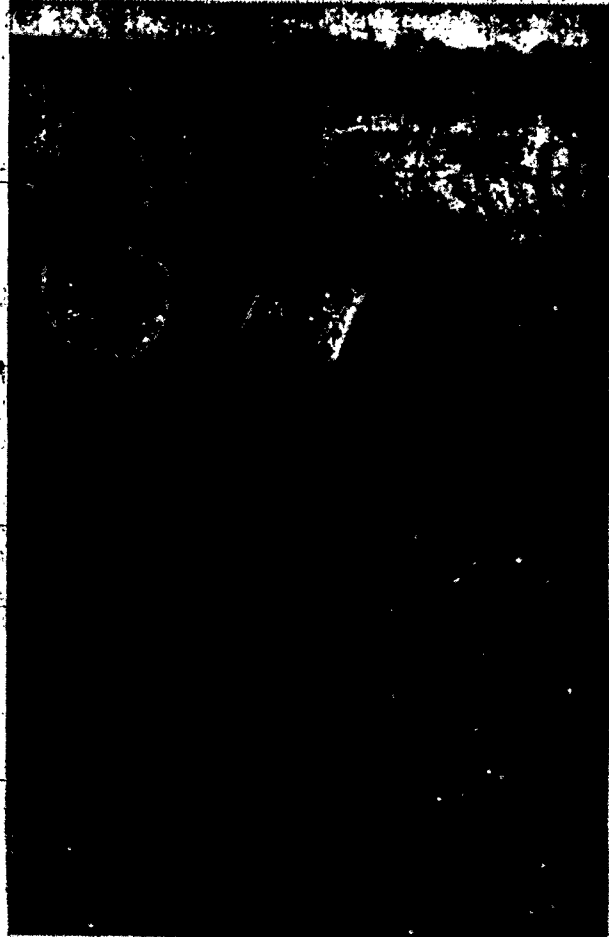
16TH BRANCH of Seton Workers of St. Mary's Hospital will be entertained by Mrs. Donald Andrews at a picnic luncheon, Saturday, June 20 at her home 851 Grosvenor Rd., South.

49TH BRANCH to meet Monday, June 22 at St. Mary's Hospital. Mrs. Hyacinth Egan, social chairman.



Rochesterians Meet in Brazil

FIVE THOUSAND MILES FROM HOME, three Rochesterians met last month in a Brazilian village. Father John Drexel, O.M.I., (left) teaches catechism in this makeshift public school which care for more than 1,000 youngsters in three daily shifts. It is part of a huge sprawling 60,000 member parish of the outskirts of Sao Paulo, South America's largest city. Sister Rose Alma, S.S.J., was visiting the city while taking special indoctrination classes in Petropolis, preparatory to establish the first foreign mission of the Rochester St. Joseph Sisters in Jatal, Goiás. Father Thomas Brown, O.M.I., is Vocation Director for the Oblate Fathers in Brazil. Last month the third Brazilian seminarian flew to the United States to continue his studies in the Oblate Major Seminary in Washington, D.C.



Aquinas Band Wins Contest

The Aquinas Institute Marching Band inaugurated its 1964 competition season last Saturday at the Fourth Annual Festival of Bands in the Town of Gorham, Ontario County, by winning first place in the contest.

SEVERAL THOUSAND spectators were on hand to applaud the state champion Aquinas band as it walked off with the top prize in Class A parade competition—for the fourth straight year.

Aquinas took the championship on the basis of superior marching ability and excellence in playing. Over twenty bands from New York State took part in the competition.

Chairman of the judges committee was Dr. Edward Spohn, director of the famed Ohio State University Marching Band.

The Aquinas Color Guard also repeated its victory of last year by taking the top honors in the Color Guard contest. Both the Band and the Color Guard are currently New York State champions and will defend their titles on September 1st, at the annual State Fair in Syracuse.

Rev. Cyril R. Udall, C.S.B., is the band director.

Saturday evening, June 20, the Aquinas Band will compete for honors in the annual parade in Batavia sponsored by St. Joseph's parish. Additional competitions during the summer will include a state American Legion contest in July and a national V.F.W. contest at Cleveland late in August.

Reception For Jubilarians

A reception to honor Father Norman Margraff on the fortieth anniversary of his priesthood will be held at St. Andrew's parish hall Wednesday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m.

McQuaid High Grads Pledge \$11,281 for Appeal

In response to the school's first financial appeal, McQuaid Jesuit High School Alumni have pledged \$11,281 thus far. The announcement was made by Arthur Deckman, Alumni Association president, class of '49.

THE PLEDGES, covering a three year period of payment, came from 30 per cent of the alumni and ranged from \$5 to \$100. Since two-thirds of the alumni are in college, graduates of the school on the service, the pledges will be paid from summer earnings. The class of 1963 had the highest percentage participation; 64 percent pledged \$3,774.

A second appeal will be made in the near future to those who did not have the opportunity to pledge this past year.

McQuaid opened its doors in September, 1954. One thousand eight-hundred students have graduated in six classes; six-tenths of the present senior class.

Missioner Sees Strange Toy For Little Boy

Davao, Philippines—In the future, Father Howard T. Bieber, M.M., of Rochester, will remember the old adage "Look before you leap."

Recently while walking in the jungle near his mission at Monkayo here, the Marquette priest stopped in his tracks when he saw a 12-foot box constrictor sweeping around a house in the village.

Fearing for the occupants of the house he immediately made his escape.



FATHER BIEBER leap at the snake only to find a four-year-old boy pulling the carcass of the dead snake around the house with the aid of a rope.

After congratulating Little Rolando on his new-found toy, Father Bieber, by this time breathing a sigh of relief, proceeded to say Mass at a nearby town.

Father Bieber, son of Harold J. Bieber, 264 Nantucket St., is a former parishioner of St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece.

He was ordained in 1958 and has been stationed in the Philippines since.

Mrs. Cleveland Named Delegate

Owego — Mrs. Beatrice M. Cleveland, district deputy of the Catholic Daughters of America, and a member of Court St. Rose of Lima, C.D.A., was named Rochester delegate to the National Convention of the order in Hollywood, Florida in July.

Mrs. Eleanor Howe, a vice-grand regent, gave a report at the New York State convention which was held in Buffalo on May 18 to May 21, at the monthly meeting of Court St. Rose of Lima held on June 2.

The installation of the newly elected officers was postponed until September by the request of Mrs. Florence Hennessy, District Deputy of Binghamton.



New Nurses Graduated

Elaine Raymond, Terry Baader and Adele Johnson, graduates of St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing, receive congratulations from Sister Victoria and faculty members Virginia Kremer and Mary Ann Conners. They were three of thirty who received diplomas from Bishop Kearney at Mercy High School auditorium Sunday afternoon.

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Aquinas Mother To Be Honored

Mrs. Charles R. McCarthy, Mrs. McCarthy, the mother of three children, a boy and two Sunday at Aquinas Institute's commencement exercises when she will receive a bouquet of flowers from the senior class in recognition of her accomplishments.

It's not that Aquinas Institute has gone co-educational or is offering "adult" education classes, Mrs. McCarthy has contributed many hours each week over a four year period serving in the capacity as a nurse's assistant.

MRS. MCCARTHY is a member of the Aquinas Mothers Club health committee, formed to assist Mrs. Frances Heaney, P.N., the school nurse, in providing continuous health services to the more than thirteen hundred boys at the school.

After a rigid and detailed training program, Mrs. McCarthy assisted the nurse in giving vision tests early in the school year and then recorded follow-ups after parents had been informed of vision defects.

The school doctors would visit to Aquinas also require Mrs. McCarthy's services in providing necessary data, recording examination results and informing students of appointments.

The immunization clinics were the largest projects undertaken by the health committee under the direction of the school nurse. Mrs. McCarthy and her co-workers arrived long before the school began in the morning to prepare the injections.

Fairport Scouts Have Honor Court

Boy Scout Troop 142, of Fairport, held an outdoor Court of Honor June 2 at Perinton Park. The program was planned and led by Leonard Michaud, dressed as an Indian. He was assisted by Gerald and Robert Michaud and Thomas Herkmann. Before a large Campfire, the Indians welcomed new members into the troop. There were two new First Class, three Second Class and two new Tenderfoot Awards. John King became a Star Scout.

On Thursday, June 4, Gerald Michaud who received the Ad Alta Der Award. He is the first boy in Troop 142 to achieve this award.