

# Church Drive Set For Naples Parish

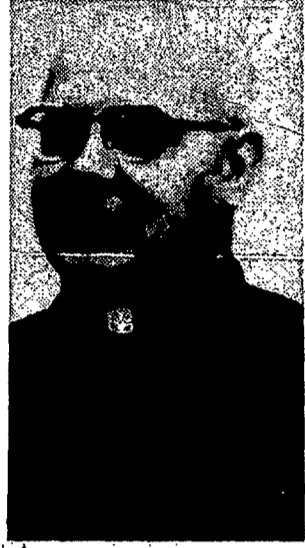
A campaign for funds to provide a new church building for St. Januarius parish in Naples, was announced by the Rev. Bernard V. Kuchman, pastor and Honorary General Chairman for the campaign.

The outcome of the drive will determine the actual size and style of the new building. The present building, nearly ninety years old, is in need of costly repair as well as having inadequate space.

The Executive Committee is presently enlisting a quota of

Mr. Philip Baader is General Chairman, while the Team Leaders are Donald Bouchard, Robert Cornish, Robert Cullman, Carl C. Dingler, Julian Fox, Len Rosenfeld, Nicholas Kopz, Dr. William Lyon, William Musnicki, Raymond Polmanteer, Edward Rectenwald, George Riesenberger, Nicholas Riesenberger, Richard Riesenberger, Charles Shepard, Euclide St. Pierre, John Vierhille, Donald Warren and Charles Wisom.

These men will be heading the committee seeking three-year pledges from the balance of the parishioners on Dec. 20.



FATHER KUCHMAN  
Naples Pastor

parishioners to help with the General Solicitation on Sunday, Dec. 20. It is anticipated that some sixty men will be on hand for this climax of campaign activities.

## Family Unit Makes Appeal

Hundreds of Elmira area families face a bleak Christmas unless you help them. Poverty, often compounded by sickness, haunts many homes at a time supposedly filled with joy and happiness. Your contribution to the Elmira Catholic Family Service, Elmira, N.Y., will provide poor families with a share of the Christmas spirit the rest of us enjoy in abundance.

## St. Charles Slates Party

The annual Christmas party of the Altar & Rosary Society of St. Charles Church, Elmira Heights, will be held Thursday, Dec. 10 at 7:30, the regular meeting night.

The party is being planned by the executive committee with members bringing desserts peculiar to their nationality. Guests may be invited and are asked to bring a gift to exchange.

Entertainment will be under the direction of Mrs. Marie Novik, which part will be the singing of Christmas Carols.

Gifts will be brought to Mrs. Edward Shon to be distributed to the aged shut-ins of the city.

## Elmira Council To Plan Events

Elmira Council 229, Knights of Columbus, will meet Wednesday night, Dec. 16 at 8 at Columbus Center, Elmira.

Plans will be discussed for the upcoming New Year's Eve Party and the Oratorical Contest.

## Ladies of Charity List Advent Events

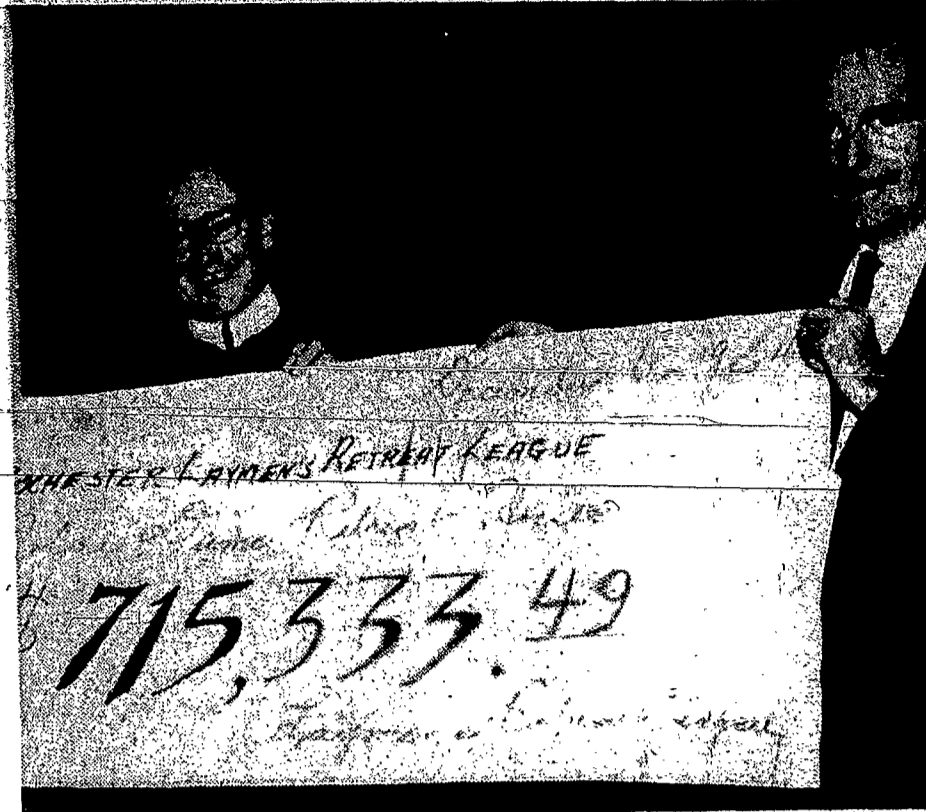
The St. Rose of Lima Committee of the Ladies of Charity held their annual Advent Dinner Dec. 8 at the Hickory House on the Watkins Road. Mrs. Aniello Aiello, committee chairman, conducted a short business meeting. Gifts were exchanged. Mrs. John T. Ackerson and Mrs. Gerard Norton were reservation chairmen.

The Guardian Angel Committee of the Ladies of Charity will have their annual Advent Dinner Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. at the Ladies of Charity rooms, 374 W. Church St. "Little Sisters" of the committee members will be guests. Rolls, dessert, meat and beverage will be furnished. Mrs. Mary G. Lofstrom and Mrs. Mary Coletta are dinner co-chairmen. All members of the Guardian Angel Committee are invited.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Committee of the Ladies of Charity will have their Advent Dinner Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ladies of Charity rooms,

374 W. Church St. There will be a gift exchange and members will bring canned food and toys to be donated to needy families by Catholic Family Service. Also members are promoting the use of religious Christmas cards and preparing Spiritual Bouquets to be given as personal projects.

Our Lady of Nazareth Committee of the Ladies of Charity will have an Advent luncheon the date and place yet to be announced. Members will donate a complete Christmas dinner to a needy family. Also two complete baby layettes will be donated to St. Joseph's Hospital. Our Lady of Nazareth Committee is the sewing committee which meets every Wednesday at 374 Fulton St.



Thomas Hughes, Rochester Laymen's Retreat League president, and Redemptorist Father William Jamison view \$715,333 check for new Notre Dame Retreat House to be built on site at Canardauga Lake.

## Retreat Drive Soars To \$715,000 Total

Pledges totaling \$715,333.49 in the campaign for funds to build a new Notre Dame Retreat House for the Diocese of Rochester, were announced at the annual meeting of the officers and parish leaders of the Rochester Laymen's Retreat League held last Sunday.

"We are overcome with feelings of joy and gratitude at the report on campaign results to date," stated Very Rev. Michael G. Downing, C.S.S.R., retreat house rector.

"The generosity of the many thousand of retreatants and friends of the retreat movement throughout the diocese as indicated in their pledged support of our program for a new retreat center, should serve as an inspiration to all of us. This successful conclusion of the intensive phase of our campaign for funds permits us to proceed

with building plans as speedily as possible."

Highlighting the pledge report of campaign results was the announcement of a gift of \$100,000 from the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, New York Province. The Redemptorist Fathers have staffed the Notre Dame Retreat House since 1912.

Over 4,000 individual pledges were made in support of the appeal for funds which had established as a minimum objective \$500,000 and a challenge goal of \$750,000. With approximately 14 per cent of the cards still unreported and continued solicitation activity among the Catholic Physicians and Dentists of Monroe County, campaign leaders have expressed the hope that the challenge goal would be met and exceeded within the next few weeks.

Solicitation of the retreatants and friends of the retreat movement in the twelve counties diocese was conducted by a committee of over 1,500 men headed by Frank E. Wolfe as General Chairman Diocesan Special Gifts Chairman was Harold J. Coleman and Louis A. Lange

served as Diocesan General Solicitation Chairman. Serving as Associate General Chairmen for the four regions of the diocese were B. Edward Shlesinger, Rochester Region; Francis J. Corney, Auburn Region; Donald Sanders, Genesee Region; and Stephen Bednarek, Elmira Region.

Solicitation results by campaign regions as follows: Rochester Region: Monroe County, \$386,743.99; Auburn Region: Wayne, Cayuga and Seneca Counties \$35,431.50; Genesee Region: Livingston, Ontario, Yates Counties and Western half of Steuben County, \$108,137.

Elmira Region: Chemung, Schuyler, Tompkins, Tioga Counties, and the Eastern half of Steuben County, \$57,331.

Reports on solicitation efforts will still be processed at the Building Fund Office which has been permanently established at 246 Leonard Street, Rochester. All further reports should be made to the office.

## CDA Meets In Watkins

Watkins Glen—Court Lourdes No. 628 met in St. Mary's Center December 1st with Grand Regent Ruby Rosenfeld presiding. Announcement was made that the annual pre-holiday dinner will be held December 10th at the Town House at 6:30 p.m. This year instead of exchanging gifts the Court sent 23 Christmas packed boxes to the Mission at Fort Sumner, South Carolina for the children at the Mission. The boxes contained toys and essentials.

Mission boxes sent to Catholic Medical Missions at New York City contained the following: 2190 pressure bandages, 299 rolled bandages, 225 plastic bags, several packages of vitamin pills, soap, eye glasses and to the St. Jude Mission, shirts, sweaters, ladies apparel, etc. This is a part of Court Lourdes' Mission work.

Mrs. Edna Schultz was appointed Chairman of Court Lourdes' Christmas relief campaign work or shut-ins.

Court's Chaplain Rev. Eugene Sweeney gave a brief talk on the Mass being said in English.

A white elephant sale will be held in January.

Also Court Lourdes will put on their annual appetizer dinner for the Altar Boys of St. Mary's January 11th.

## 25 Years Ago

(From files of Catholic Courier, Dec. 11, 1939)  
One of six Francis anquest in flee Snow, Poland on the invasion of Russia. Rev. Fred Gorka dies in a fire in escape and harrowing circumstances in men of the Holy Society, St. Mary's, Auburn

## Clothing Drive Meets Last Year's Total

Reports of clothing shipments by 63 parishes of some 140 participating in last month's 16th annual Thanksgiving Clothing Collection in the Rochester Diocese indicate that the diocesan total will at least approximate last year's record of 282 tons, according to an announcement this week by the Rev. E. Leo McMannus, diocesan director of the clothing campaign.

"These 63 parishes and two institutions, St. Bernard's Seminary and St. Ann's Home, have completed shipments of 314,515 pounds of usable clothing for the needy overseas at the Brooklyn warehouse of Catholic Relief Services," said Father McMannus. "This represents an increase of nearly 1,000 pounds over their contributions to last year's collection."

Of the total now reported, 35 parishes in Monroe county contributed 221,541 pounds. Sacred Heart (attracted with 38,760 pounds donated, again led the parishes.

Other large contributions were reported from St. Charles (Monroe) (22,400 lbs.), Grace (St. Margaret Mary) (17,105 lbs.), Rochester, St. Alphonsus (15,150 lbs.), Auburn, Our Lady of Good Counsel (12,600 lbs.) and Holy Cross (11,110 lbs.). Rochester, St. John Evangelist (10,208 lbs.), Grace Immaculate (Conception) (9,862 lbs.), Ithaca (St. Rita) (9,818 lbs.), West (West), Holy Rosary (8,629 lbs.) and St. Boniface (8,495 lbs.). Rochester, Our Mother of Sorrows (8,417 lbs.), Grace

The final report together with a complete listing of the participating parishes will be published in the Courier following the close of the remaining parish reports with the diocesan director.

Each parish bears the cost of shipments to the Brooklyn warehouse. The Foreign Operations Administration makes the ocean transportation available. The distribution of the

clothing regardless of race, color, or religion is directed by the overseas personnel of Catholic Relief Services, the relief agency of the U.S. Catholic bishops.

## Squires Told About Guns

Hornell — A group was illustrated by Wallace J. ... of Hornell for the ... Squires Sunday evening ... at their meeting in the ... of the Knights of Columbus Home on River St.

Other was guest speaker at the meeting attended by 30 Squires and their ... The program was under ... of the ... committee of the organization of ... which is sponsored by the Hornell Council of the ...

HOW TO HANDLE ... in was demonstrated by ... who ... and pistols from ... own collection to illustrate his ... talk ... has been ... in ... for ... a ... member of the National Rifle Association.

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## Ithaca College Newman Club Hears Coach

Ithaca — A dynamic discussion on the subject of "God on the Secular Campus" was conducted by Coach Richard Lyon, Head Football Coach at Ithaca College, and Newman Club advisor, with the Newman Club members participating on Sunday, Dec. 6.

Fr. McFiggins, Newman Club chaplain, noted that at Ithaca College the college has acknowledged a responsibility for the spiritual well-being of students, and is providing ample opportunity for students to continue in their growth in the faith of their choice.

In addition to discussing separation of Church and State and the separation of Church and University, there was a lively discussion of morality and concern for religion among students.

The meeting was attended by several faculty and staff members.

## Catholic Family Service Welcomes New Members

An orientation meeting for new members of the Board of Governors of Catholic Family Service was held Wednesday, December 9 at 374 W. Church St., Elmira.

New members are O. Lawrence Creighton, John V. Laura, Martin M. Haragan, Dr. Robert H. Huddle, Dr. Adrian P. Hulsebosch, Thomas F. Laf Dist. Atty. Paul H. McCabe and Dr. Joseph J. Montanarella. Mr. DeLaura and D. A. McCabe have been relieved to the board after a lapse of one year.

The orientation conference was conducted by Atty. William D. Burns, Board of Governors President, and Miss Mary F. FitzGerald. An explanation of the program of the Catholic Family Service and of the multiple services of the organization was given. Also a review of personnel and their particular duties was outlined.

## Gifts for Men



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