

St. Patrick's Dinner Set

MT. MORRIS—Francis Hogan, member of the faculty of State University Agricultural and Technical College at Alfred. The dinner will be held at the Veteran's Building, Elm St. March 17 at 7 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Flynn are co-chairman.

GOD LOVE YOU

Most Reverend
Fulton J. Sheen

We know of juvenile delinquency in American cities, in Europe and in Russia. But do we ever think of juvenile delinquency in the Missions? Actually in one place in the Congo, it was as serious as anywhere else in the world. A group called "Les bills" consisted of 80 per cent of the youths in one area. They had their own slang, their own songs and dances and special names for their districts. Some of the members called themselves "Kennedy," "Old Ross," "Khrushchev"; they ran wild—robbing, mauling, killing.

One of our missionaries became friendly with their group. He encouraged them to improve the condition of young people in the neighborhood. The idea caught on and their first (not wholly commendable) act was to beat up the boys who followed and molested girls. Soon though they had progressed far enough to open a restaurant where they cooked and served 200 meals a day. They then staffed a shoe repair shop and began training "LES BILLS" and others in these trades. A bakery, carpentry shop and school of masonry followed and "LES BILLS" built a study hall for the children of the neighborhood. Finally, they launched a newspaper called "The Spirit of Youth." The character of their organization changed so completely that they were soon requesting retreats, recollections, conferences and Masses, and had completely rejected vandalism.

Our delinquent youths in America become delinquent because they have no missions, no purpose in life. Pour steam into a boiler and give it no work and it will blow up. Youth is "blowing up" for the same reason. Our correspondents with teenagers reveals they are good and normal when they have a goal in life.

GOD LOVE YOU to J.H.D. for \$150 "I promised that if I found this I would give it to the Missions. It was given to me for a trip but I never used it." ... to A. McG. for a gold chain "This is useless to me, perhaps its sale can benefit the poor."

Why not say your rosary for the Missions of the world every day during Lent? Those of you who cannot go to the Missions can strengthen those who work in your place by praying for them. The color of each of the WORLD MISSION ROSARY'S decades symbolizes one of the five continents of the world where missionaries are laboring to bring souls to Christ. To receive the WORLD MISSION ROSARY, blessed by Bishop Sheen, send your request and an offering of \$2 to The Society for the Propagation of the Faith, 366 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10001.

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, N.Y. 10001, or to your Diocesan Director, Rev. John F. Duffy, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester, New York 14604.

INDIA: HER NAME IS LEELA

LEELEA NAYAR IS NINE YEARS OLD. SHE IS BRIGHT AND CHEERFUL, BUT SERIOUS-MINDED FOR HER AGE.

You meet her in Kadu-thu-ruthy, a "backwaters" settlement in south India. "Yes, I like school very much," she says. "When I grow up I want to be like the Sisters in my school." ... You meet them the Sisters of St. Joseph. "Bright youngsters like Leela are India's hope," the Sister Superior remarks. "Christ loves them despite their ragged clothes. We love them too." ... The Sisters live in a rented hovel made of mud with cocoanut-leaf roof. They have no electricity, no sewage disposal, no safe drinking water. Small wonder so many young Sisters in India will die this year of tuberculosis and diphtheria. ... "In order to stay in Kadu-thu-ruthy permanently, we must have a permanent convent," you hear the Superior say. "I hope we are not forced to leave. If we leave, what will become of Leela—and the hundreds like her not yet born? ... A one-story, stone convent, with tile roof, will cost only \$3,000 to construct. Name it for your favorite saint, in memory of your loved ones, if you build it all by yourself, \$450 will build one bedroom (for two Sisters). \$1,275 will build and equip the convent chapel. Please do as much as you can. Whatever your Lenten sacrifice for the poor this week—\$100, \$75, \$50, \$25, \$10, \$5, \$2—help these holy Sisters stay in Kadu-thu-ruthy!

- AS A LIFETIME GIFT TO YOUR FAMILY (or a loved one), enroll them in perpetual membership in this Association. We'll send an attractive certificate, suitable for framing, of course. Your perpetual membership offering (\$100 for a family, \$20 for an individual) will buy rice, wheat, blankets, for the needy overseas.
- GIVE SOMETHING TO THE POOR, "NO STRINGS ATTACHED."

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DESSERT CARD PARTY for the benefit of the Rev. Michael Kavanagh, S.J., who is working among the lepers in India, will be held March 17 at 1 p.m. at St. Augustine's school hall on Chili Ave. Committee includes from left, Mrs. Clorus Horn, Mrs. Josephine Ewing, Mrs. Marclan Scheg, Mrs. Mary McMahon, Mrs. Genevieve Mooney and Mrs. Sidney Burd.

Dessert Card Party To Benefit Missioner

The ninth annual dessert card party for the benefit of Rev. Michael F. Kavanagh, S.J. Jesuit missionary in India will be held at St. Augustine's School Hall on Wednesday, March 17 at 1 p.m. Donation is \$1.

Father has several leper colonies in his area. He is trying desperately to provide them with water, grain, medicine and shelter as well as spiritual aid. In a recent letter Father wrote: "I was talking to the Chief Medical Officer to try and arrange a water pipe for another village of lepers seven miles away. He, the highest in the land and overwhelmed with work, is like a match burning in a high wind. He said he would go with me to my villages to see the work and the conditions."

"He was simply amazed. He wants help and we want help. He estimates from his surveys that there are twenty thousand lepers in this area. He has a 25 acre farm on which is established a nice clinic and hospital, and several buildings that take care of 65 cases. He is willing to take up to 500 lepers and give space for homes and bricks to build them to any leper who will go there. We could build homes with his help for \$20 each. But where do I have that much money even for five of these homes? What to do?"

"I know you will pray for us and do what you can. I must say my emotions are so spent that I can hardly keep my mind on prayer. Am I too frantic? But then hardly anyone will listen or is that much interested. So many other problems loom on the mind of the average person, these days."

Mrs. Clorus Horn and Miss Geraldyn Gallery are co-chairmen; Mrs. Marclan Scheg, decorations; Mrs. Fre Dittman and Mrs. Josephine Ewing, prizes;



Hats Off to St. Patrick

ST. PATRICK'S DAY dance will be held by the Men's Club of Mother of Sorrows Church on March 17 in the parish hall from 9 p.m. till midnight. Len Hawley's orchestra will be featured. From left are, seated, Ted Dengler, Jim Hart, Father William Hoganband, Al Dietschler, and standing, Bob Bianqui and Tom Kavanaugh.

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Card Party Set In Waterloo

Waterloo—Rosary Altar Society of St. Mary's Church will hold a dessert card party which will show on St. Patrick's Day in the school hall at 8 p.m. Admission is \$1.

Chairman is Mrs. Lucille Morgan. The program will start with refreshments and a hat show. Hats will be modeled by children and women from Carmels of Seneca Falls.

Friendship Group Seeks Members

In an effort to double the size of its membership during the month of March, the Rochester International Friendship Council is currently conducting its first annual membership drive. The Council, and its executive director, Miss May F. Crowley, seek to promote good will and understanding between the people of Monroe County and temporary residents from abroad.

Student Honored

Ann M. Harrington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick J. Harrington, 30 Stewart Dr. Rochester, was recently awarded the D'Youville Medal by D'Youville College for outstanding character, intellectual achievement, service and loyalty. Miss Harrington is a senior at D'Youville, oldest woman's college in Western New York where she is President of the Student Government Association.



Eagle Award Given

HIGHLIGHT of the night for Boy Scout Troop 26 March 7 in St. Francis School, Auburn, was the presentation of the Eagle Award to Robert Rooker. From left are David B. Tyler, scout executive; Mrs. Robert Rooker, Robert Rooker and Mr. Robert Rooker. (Toby Photo)

Sister Joseph:

'New Look' in Convent Means More Than Garb

The Sisters of Mercy in the Diocese of Rochester will be wearing new and simpler habits in the near future, but the idea is an old one in the order, said their Vocation Director, Sister Joseph, R.S.M., in a talk last week.

Speaking at the First Saturday breakfast in Sibley's Tower Restaurant, sponsored by the Monroe County Council of Catholic Women, the Mercy nun explained:

"When our order was founded in 1831 to care for homeless children, the founding sisters wore simple lay clothes, and went out into the streets to find children in need of schooling and training. They were called 'The walking nuns,' in fact."

"Adaptation" and "formation" are the two big watchwords heard in convent circles these days, Sister Joseph went on.

"We are adapting our community to the needs of the present day, and yet in accord with the mind of our founders; Mother Catharine McAuley," she explained.

Sisters at Mt. Carmel school in Rochester, staffed by Mercy nuns, are already pioneering in visits to the home of their pupils, she added.

"Formation" aims to train sisters in the best possible way, spiritually and professionally, for their work. Sister Joseph paid high tribute to the work of the Sister Formation program, a national effort, in offering guidelines in this area. She said:

Fisher Lecture Series Listed

A Visiting-Lecturer—schedule for the remainder of the spring semester at St. John Fisher College has been announced by Wendell Howard, assistant professor of English at the college and coordinator of the Visiting Lecturer Program.

Sunday, March 14, Dr. Ishaya Sha'ibu Adu, professor of pediatrics at the University of Lagos, Nigeria, and visiting associate professor of medicine, University of Rochester, will discuss "Traditional Cultural Concepts of Illness among the Hausa of Nigeria" at a meeting of the Fisher Sociology Club. This meeting is set for 8:15 p.m. in room 307 Kearney Hall.

Tuesday, March 16, at 7:45 p.m., the college Philosophy Club will sponsor a lecture by Father Edward A. Synan, professor of the history of medieval philosophy at the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies, Toronto. Father Synan's topic will be "Philosophical Paradoxes."

Father Synan formerly taught philosophy at Seton Hall College and spent four years as a chaplain in the U.S. Army Air Corps. A native of Fall River, Mass., he has studied at the University of Louvain, Belgium, Catholic University of America, Seton Hall College, and the University of Toronto.

THE REMAINDER of the schedule:

- March 23 — John Menihan, artist. Lecture-demonstration in the use of water colors.
- March 28 — Khushwant Singh, New Delhi, India. "The Sikh Religion."
- April 2 — Dr. Robert Marshak, University of Rochester. "Sources of Stellar Energy."
- May 4 — Mrs. Alan Davis. Slide lecture "Contemporary Italian Art."
- May 16 — Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein. "Jews in Transition."

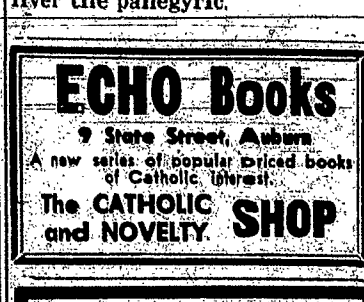
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