

**Week Mission**

**Volunteer Help Sought in Selma**

Care to spend part of your vacation working in Selma, Alabama?

A young Rochester collegian, Angelo Clements, is forming a "faith team," to offer voluntary medical service to the Selma community this summer.

Clements, a Monroe Community College student, aiming at a career as a registered nurse, working his way through college.



ANGELO CLEMENTS

He hopes to organize a group of hospital personnel, "N.I.'s," medical nurses, technicians, aides and attendants, to spend the first two weeks of July in Selma on a medical mission of mercy.

"Street demonstrations and picketing are not our aim," Clements state. "Our goal is to give assistance to existing health facilities, to offer experienced hands, heads and hearts to Selma's hospitals, clinics and nurseries."

(Even untrained volunteers could be able to help out with the day nursery program, Clements said.)

"The earnest young student," a newspaperman in the U.S. says, "got the idea from a talk given to the Civic Affairs Club at Monroe Community College last March by a Selma minister."

"I heard the Rev. Edward Reier detail Selma's needs, and describe the Selma Emergency Relief Fund (SERF)," he explains. "And while he was mainly raising funds for the poor of Selma, I kept thinking of the possibility of medical help, given personally by volunteers with trained backgrounds."

Clements has already received an affirmative answer from Good Samaritan Hospital, staffed by St. Joseph nurses from Rochester. "Food and lodging are all we can offer you," wrote Sister Eleanor, S.S.J., on behalf of the hospital, but said that any volunteer help would be welcomed.

He hopes to get a similar response from Burwell Hospital, a small, privately-owned Negro hospital in Selma, and from other municipal clinics and first-aid stations.

Clements visualizes the project as a demonstration of American concern for her less-favored citizens, on a completely voluntary and personal level.

"It would offer Rochesterians a positive, and socially acceptable way of becoming involved in the problems of our society," he feels.

A by-product of the presence of medical volunteers from the North, made up of both Negroes and whites, would be to encourage the young people of Selma to strive for better educational opportunities, he hopes.

As of now, Clements has about six or seven interested prospects for the July 1-15 venture, but hopes to get a larger delegation in the next few weeks.

"While I'm interested first of all in getting volunteers," he smiles, "we are going to need some financial help for bus transportation. I plan to put whatever money I've got into the project, but I don't think my money will carry us very far."

A Baptist himself, Clements has worked with Catholic nurses before, in St. Agnes' Hospital in Philadelphia, and is looking forward to helping out at Good Samaritan this summer.

"I know it sounds awfully ambitious for a college student to undertake, but I feel that many people know something of the needs of Selma now, and would like in some way to improve the lot of the Negro people in that city."

People who'd like to know more about the project, or who'd like to contribute something to the transportation expenses, can contact Angelo Clements by writing him at:

112 Selz St. (Apt. 2)  
 Rochester, N. Y. 14604

—or by sending contributions to:

SERF Health Team  
 445 Plymouth Avenue S.  
 Rochester, N.Y. 14608

**Scout Retreat Slated At Seneca Lake**

Third annual Scout Retreat for the Finger Lakes Council, Boy Scouts of America, scouts, and explorers of the catholic faith, will be held this weekend, June 4, 5, 6, at Camp Babcock-Hovey on Seneca Lake near Ovid.

Scouter James B. Howard of Penn Yan is Coordinator for the retreat. He is being assisted by Arrowhead District Scouter, Eugene Smith of Canandaigua; by Keseca District scouter, Walter J. Abel of Geneva; and by Iroquois district Scouter, Clarence R. Rayno of Macedon.

Father Sebastian Falcone of the Capuchin Fathers will be in charge of Religious Activities for the weekend.

Registration will start at 6 p.m. on Friday, June 4, and the retreat will close at 11 a.m. on Sunday, June 6.

Scouts who are not members of Catholic sponsored troops and who wish to attend are urged to contact any Catholic sponsored troop.

**Forty Hours**

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in following Churches, Diocese of Rochester: Sunday, June 6 — St. James, Rochester; St. Januarius, Naples.



**New St. Lucy's Church Blessed at Retsof**

Bishop Casey, at the entrance to the new St. Lucy's Church in Retsof, says the prayers of dedication at rites preceding a Mass Sunday afternoon. Pioneer parishioners Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allanel and Joseph Amodio pose with Father Charles Reynolds, present pastor, and Monsignor Leo G. Schwab of Elmira, a former pastor. Father Reynolds is marking his 25th anniversary of the Retsof, Leicester and Piffard churches this week. Parish and civic and business leaders, including G. Bradley Root of the International Salt Co., and officials of the Genesee and Wyoming Railroad Co., attended the ceremonies. The parish was begun in 1911.



**Fisher Graduates Win Fund Grants**

Graduate assistantships and other grants totalling more than \$25,000 have been accepted by graduating seniors of St. John Fisher College. The grants are in the fields of biology, English, history, mathematics, philosophy, and Spanish.

Frank D. Semestina, Semestino will be a candidate for a master of science degree in mathematics at Purdue. He is a McQuaid Jesuit High School graduate.

Another McQuaid alumnus, Warren T. Chase will pursue higher studies at the University of Miami in Florida. His scholarship, amounting to \$1,800, is for work in the field of history.

Thomas C. Gard will do graduate work in mathematics at the University of North Carolina, where he will make use of a \$1,900 instructorship. Gard attended Greece-Olympia High School.

Webster High graduate G. Thomas Croubach has selected Catholic University of America for his graduate studies in biology. He has been awarded a \$2,500 assistantship.

D'Alessandra, Genovese, and McKague are all graduates of Aquinas Institute.

A National Defense Series Scholarship and a \$2,500 teaching assistantship at Purdue University have been accepted by several institutions.

**Knights Plan Mass, Breakfast**

The annual Corporate Communion breakfast for Council 3892, Knights of Columbus, will be held Sunday morning, June 6, at St. John the Evangelist Church, Greece, Ridge Road West at the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

Breakfast will be served immediately after the Mass at Charlie Vella's Restaurant, 1942 Ridge Road West in the Ridgecrest Shopping Center.

**Knights Hold Field Mass**

A Knights of Columbus tradition was renewed after a lapse of over 20 years when some 350 persons attended a Memorial Field Mass, Saturday, May 29 at Elmira's St. Peter and Paul's Cemetery.

Rev. Roy J. Kiggins, Elmira Knights chaplain and assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, celebrated the Mass and preached the sermon.

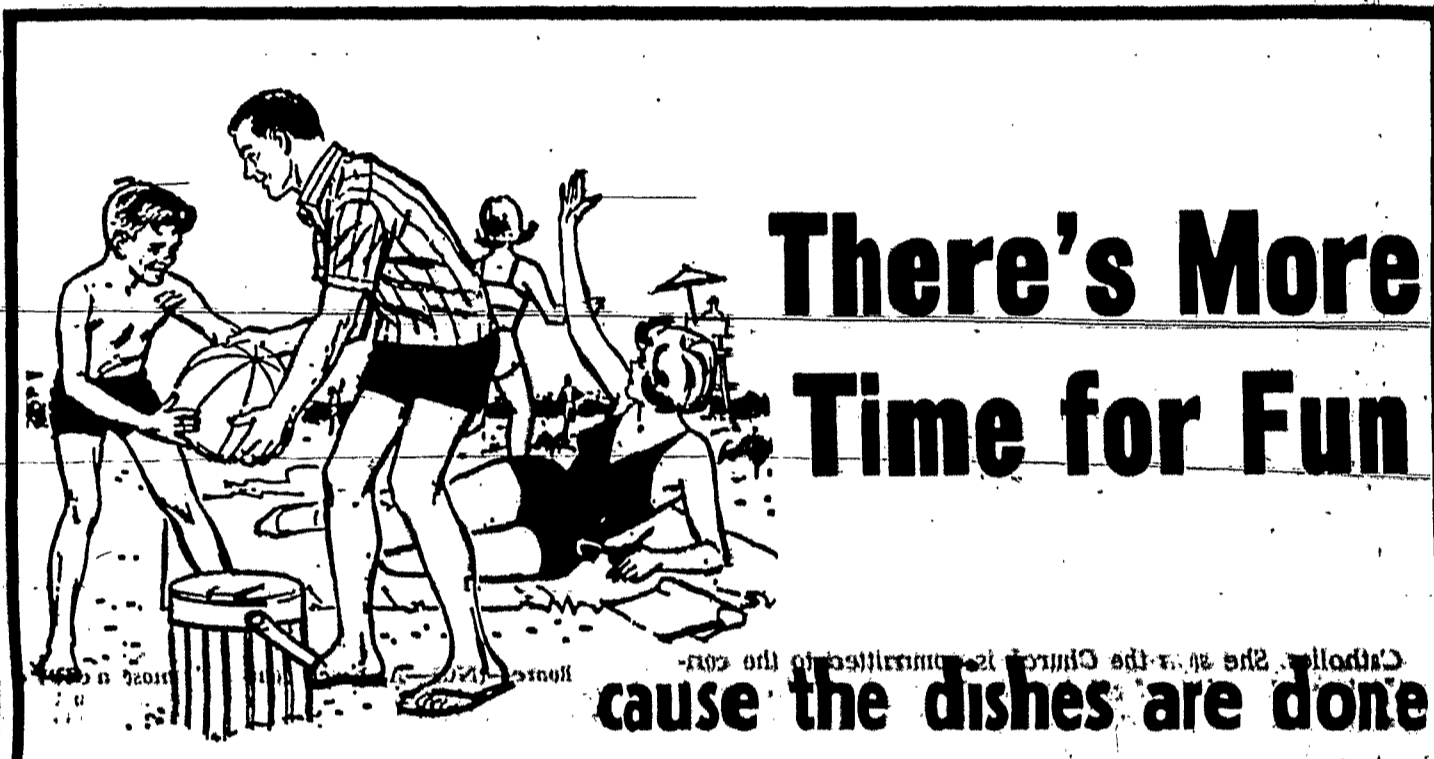
Father Kiggins reminded those attending that there is still much we can do by prayer for those loved ones buried in the cemetery.

**25 Years Ago**

(From files of Catholic Courier, June 6, 1940)

Bishop Kearney announced the formation of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in West Elmira with Rev. Leo G. Schwab as first pastor.

Cornerstone for the new \$30,000 St. Paul of the Cross Church, Honeoye Falls was laid by Rt. Rev. Magr. William M. Hart, vicar general of the Diocese of Rochester.



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