

Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart put much emphasis on home visits to bolster religious life of families. Sister Teresa Mary and Sister Joseph Marie are shown in photo visiting the Frank D. Reineman family of Assumption parish, Fairport.

Mission Helpers—75th Anniversary

Auxiliary Bishop Lawrence B. Casey will offer a Mass of thanksgiving Friday, Sept. 3 at 5:30 p.m., at Sacred Heart Cathedral to mark the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Congregation of Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart.

The eight Mission Helpers from Ithaca and Fairport, representing all the Mission Helpers who have worked in the Diocese over the past 15 years, will participate in the Mass of Thanksgiving. The lady who has shared so closely in the work of their apostolate of Christian education and students who have benefited by their efforts are invited to join these Sisters in this celebration.

From the four charter members who formed the society, the Mission Helpers have grown to a 235 member body, with thirty-two missions spread over the United States, Puerto Rico and Venezuela.

Born a decade before the turn of the century, the little society led by Mary Cuning-



MOTHER DEMETRIAS
founder

ham (who took the name of Sister Mary Demetrias) of St. Martin parish, Baltimore, was destined to be in the avant garde of

aggiornamento in the Church, many years before the word was ever heard in Baltimore.

Seventy-five years ago, the late Cardinal Gibbons advised Father Thomas J. Broydrick, pastor of St. Martin parish in Baltimore, "Let her go; something may come of it."

It was the revolutionary purpose of its foundation that led Father Broydrick to consult Cardinal Gibbons before giving his penitential permission to embark on the "risky" endeavor—the religious education of Negroes and systematic visitation of their homes.

In less than five years, at the request of pastors who pleaded for the religious education of all the children of the parish, white as well as Negro, Cardinal Gibbons directed the Sisters to change their role.

Thus, seven decades before the present examination of religious life and its contribution to the lay apostolate, was born in Baltimore a society dedicated

exclusively to the teaching of religion to all outside of the parochial school system and to the training of lay apostles.

Led by the girl from St. Martin's parish, described by a contemporary as "a bunch of independence," the Sisters charted a new course in Church activity at the same time that they won papal approval and status among the recognized religious congregations in the Church.

Though often referred to today as "women for our times" and "women of our age" the pioneer Mission Helpers were "women ahead of their times" as they sought personally to take the Church to the people in their homes. Today all sincere reformers recognize this personal apostolate as a first necessity.

When Sister Rosalia sought in 1936 to publish her first volume "Child Psychology and Religion," she was refused on the grounds, "You are at least 10 years ahead of your time. Nobody is ready for this." Today religious psychology is a large field in itself and the Mission Helpers distribute thousands of religion books annually for teachers and students. All are based on psychology.

The 75 year period of growth and expansion of the congregation has been neither spectacular nor sudden. Rather it has been a slow but steady development marked by an ever clearer vision of aims and adaptation to available means in our changing world.

It was during the second World War that the Sisters began to drive automobiles on the streets of Baltimore and as early as 1950 they were teaching on television.

The new Motherhouse of concrete and yellow brick, dedicated last June by Cardinal Shehan, is the third home the Mission Helpers have had in their 75 year history, necessitated by a growing family and apostolate. The present beige habit the Sisters wear is the third adaptation they have made to conserve time for the Apostolate by use of 20th Century materials.

No First Saturday Mass
There will be no corporate First Saturday Mass for members of the Rochester Circle, I.F.C.A. Members are asked to observe the First Saturday in their own parishes.

St. Mary's Hospital

New Administrator Named

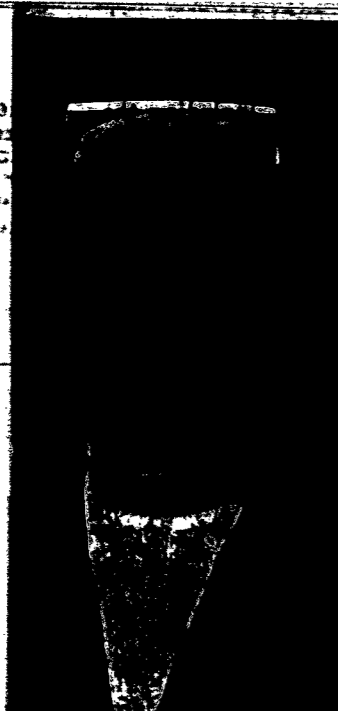
St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester will be under the leadership of a new Administrator, Sister Margaret, of the Daughters of Charity, beginning Sept. 7. Sister Margaret, who comes from Rochester, has been working with Sister Winifred, present Administrator, through the summer, to assure a maximum continuity in the hospital's development.

Sister Winifred has been assigned to study for her Doctorate in Education at St. John's University, Jamaica, N.Y.

This will be Sister Margaret's third assignment as Administrator, a post she has previously held in hospitals in Troy, N.Y. (4 years) and Boston, Mass. (6 years).

A graduate of St. Louis University with an M.S. in Hospital Administration, Sister is a Fellow in the American College of Hospital Administrators.

Sister Margaret will have the responsibility for bringing to a



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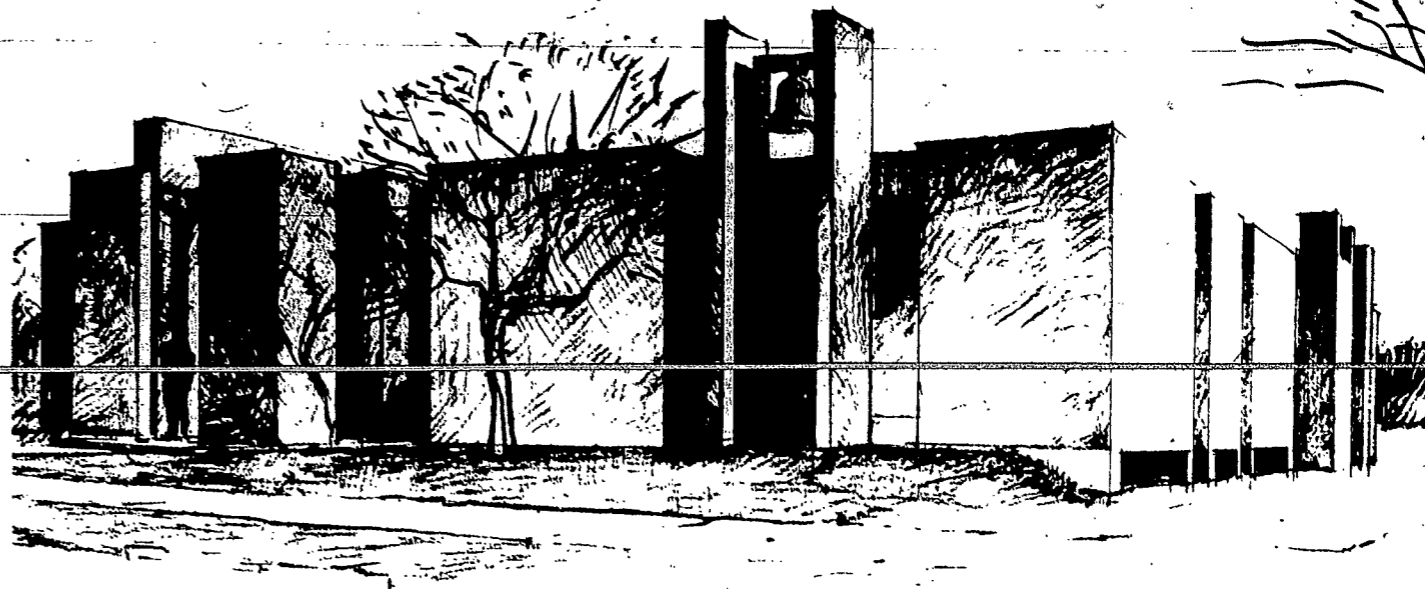
phases of the program are presently in progress, and the third will begin in early fall.

The first phase—Medical Service Wing, Bishop Kearney Educational Building, Boiler House Renovation and Chapel—is about 80% complete.

The second phase—Kitchen, Sixth Floor Addition to provide living quarters for the Sisters, Operating and Delivery Room Air Conditioning, and Telephone Installation is about 60% complete.

Unit, renovation of Admitting Office, Administration, Medical Records, Medical Library, Employee Locker Rooms, House-keeping Department, Cafeteria, etc.—will begin soon and require about one year to complete if all goes on schedule.

From her summer's observation at St. Mary's, the new Administrator regards the hospital as "very forward-looking." She added that she was also impressed with the responsible spirit of the Medical Staff.



Artist's sketch of Newman Center for students at Brockport College.

New Newman Center for Brockport

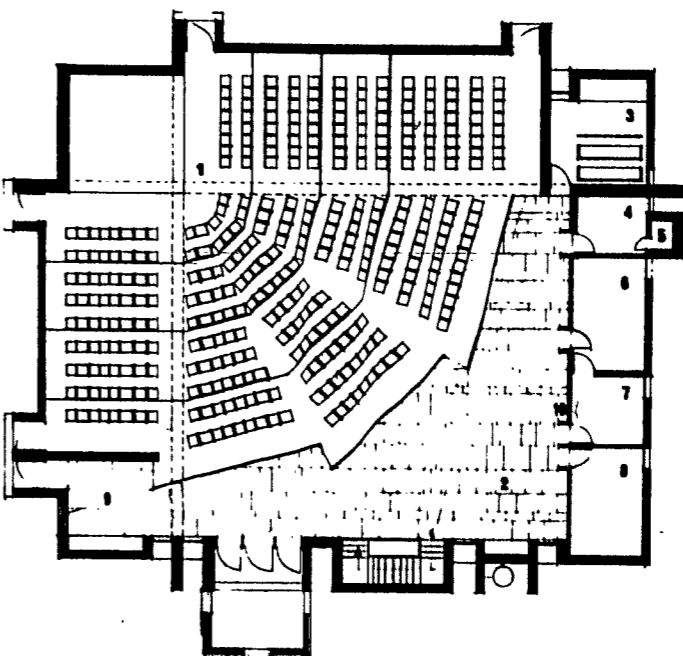
Catholic students at the State University College at Brockport will soon have an all-new \$100,000 Newman Center.

Construction began Monday, August 23, and estimated completion date is late January of 1966.

The new Newman Center will serve the near 1,000 Catholic students at the Brockport College. Total enrollment is about 2500.

The Center will replace the still-quiet-new Newman Center which had to give way to expansion of college facilities. The new Center faces the College's campus school and will be constructed adjacent to the Dr. Henry J. Schantgen home at the corner of Adams and Kenyon Streets. The Schantgen home will serve as temporary focus of Catholic events and later serve as a residence for students. The Schantgen family will move to a new home in the village.

Chaplain for Catholic students at the Brockport College is Rev. Michael Daly who just completed his studies for his masters degree in philosophy at Niagara University. He plans to continue his studies for his doctor-



Floor plan of Newman Center at Brockport. Numbers indicate: 1. auditorium-chapel. 2. Blessed Sacrament chapel. 3. Office. 4. Sacristy. 5. Lavatory. 6. Meeting area, lobby. 7. Study room.

ate "after the building program is completed."

He termed the design of the new Center "quite exciting."

Rilison and Roberts, architectural firm of Rochester, designed the structure which will include an auditorium-chapel for 400, a Blessed Sacrament chapel, office, meeting areas and a classroom for 100.

Funds for the construction costs will be sought from alumni, friends, parents, faculty members and students.

The only other religious group thus far to have its own student center is the Methodist Church which operates the Wesley Foundation.

Polish Women Schedule Picnic

Annual Picnic for members, folk-dancers, and friends of the Polish Women's Alliance, Group 632, will be held Sunday, August 29 at Orchard Grove Shelter in Ellison Park, from 3:00 p.m. on.

Meals will be served and refreshments provided. Games and fun for all. For further information contact Mrs. Stanley Jaskot, HO 7-0288.

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