

Funeral Rites Today for Msgr. Connors

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After a course at the Rochester Free Academy, then Rochester's only public high school and now the Fitzhugh Street headquarters of the city's vast public school system, he became book-keeper for a local clothing firm.

When he tallied his books at the end of his first week he was \$30 short, a sizeable sum in those days.

"I was sure I'd be fired and probably arrested but my mother told me God would protect me."

Sunday morning, as the Connors family was getting ready for Mass, the doorbell rang — "I figured this was the policeman to take me to jail — but it wasn't." The next day the man in charge of the office said he spent the weekend checking accounts and found he himself had made the error — "so I was given a small raise and many apologies for any embarrassment they caused me."

When family finances were in better condition, he enrolled at St. Andrew's Seminary, continued his studies at St. Bernard's and was ordained June 11, 1898, by Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid in old St. Patrick's Cathedral, Rochester.

He was a curate for three years at St. Mary's Church and then in 1901 assigned to establish the new Blessed Sacrament parish. He went about his rounds on a bicycle — "You had to be quite rich to purchase an automobile then," he commented.

Monsignor Connors also organized Good Shepherd parish in Henrietta, helped establish St. Elizabeth Guild House formerly on Field St., as a home for young working women, and has long been associated with Park Avenue Hospital where two plaques testify to the hospital's official esteem for him.

Reluctant to accept honors, he nevertheless became domestic prelate with the title Right Reverend Monsignor in 1947 but continued to introduce himself as "Father Connors."

Priests of the Diocese, and people of Blessed Sacrament parish and scores of personal friends of Monsignor Connors attended a Vigil Service last evening at the church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

College Grant For Equipment

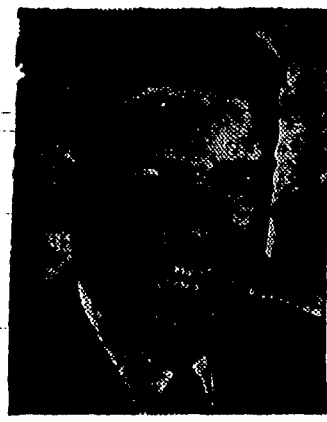
Nazareth College has received a \$10,607 matching grant under the Higher Education Act of 1965 for the purchase of equipment.

The funds will be used to purchase laboratory equipment in the science and math departments, additional recording equipment in the language laboratory and recording equipment for the library.

The recording equipment will be used to record lectures, especially for honor groups, so that regular class time can be used for discussion and independent study.

New Diocese in Texas

Washington — (RNS) — Pope Paul VI created a new Diocese of Beaumont in eastern Texas with territory detached from the Galveston-Houston diocese, and named Msgr. Vincent M. Harris as its first Bishop.



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Geneseo Lists Study in Vienna

Robert E. Dietrich, son of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred M. Dietrich Jr. of Geneseo, formerly of Batavia, will spend his sophomore year at the Institute of European Studies at the University of Vienna, Austria.

He graduated from Batavia High School in 1965 and recently completed his freshman year in Liberal Arts at the State University College at Geneseo.

He is a member of St. Mary's parish, Geneseo.

Robert will sail for Europe Aug. 31 on the S.S. Queen Elizabeth. He will remain in Europe for one year where he will continue his curriculum in Liberal Arts.

Edward Kasouf, Guest Organist

Edward J. Kasouf Jr., of 112 Bowman Hill Terrace, Horseheads, was invited to be guest organist at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, on June 30 for a Mass commemorating the Third Year of the Pontificate of Pope Paul VI.

In attendance was the Apostolic Delegate to the United States, Archbishop Egidio Vagnozzi.

Kasouf, a member of St. Peter & Paul's Parish, Elmira, and former Prefect of the Sodality of Our Lady, earned his Bachelor's Degree in Music at Potsdam University's Crane Music School. He has earned his Master's Degree in music at Catholic University and is now working toward his Doctorate.

This summer he is continuing



EDWARD KASOUF

his studies at Catholic University and will be a member of the choir to sing at the wedding of Lucio Nugent and Patricia Nugent.

Zelda Cooper Receives Grant

A member of the Nazareth College faculty has received a Robert Kennedy Fellowship for advanced work in physical education for the mentally retarded.

Mrs. Zelda Cooper, physical education director at the college, will receive a stipend of \$100 a week, tuition, room and board, while participating in the summer program at State University of Cortland.

Mrs. Cooper attended Ithaca College and taught in city schools and at Brighton High School. Last year she was in charge of running a group for the mentally retarded and physically handicapped which met every Saturday at Brighton No. 1 School. Several Nazareth students worked with her.

25 Years Ago in the Courier

(From Catholic Courier files, July 17, 1941)

Bishop Kearney called on the faithful of Rochester diocese to join in the campaign to finance the numerous relief problems in all nations committed to the care of the Bishops' Relief Committee set up at the last annual meeting of the Hierarchy.

Catholics were called upon by diocesan officials to join in the "Aluminum for Defense" Drive. Rochester Defense Council with William A. Lang, coordinator, organized Boy Scouts for the pick up of old aluminum.

An editorial in the Catholic University Bulletin of Cleveland commended the Catholic Students Mission Crusade for the

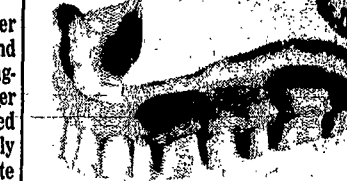
spirit shown by the delegates at the Rochester Convention.

CYO Day Camping Offers Varied Fare

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By MONSIGNOR JOHN F. DUFF

It seemed strangely to see the sun in the skies and to find the Cross, and not the Big in the heavens at night these were only a few differences confronting us to the Missions in America.

About three o'clock afternoon of Ascension day, the Panagra Jet descended through the fog to the Andes Mountains, a plane of the Chilean Air Force. The plane was in the air about midnight on Wednesday. The flight was interrupted by a storm in Ecuador, and Lima

Church Favorable In Council

The "new liturgy" to last week's Vatican Council.

The lop-sided unanimous approval on Tuesday gave only a slight edge to the "old" side.

A total of 156 votes indicated an accurate picture of the situation.

A questionnaire of Newman clubs, by Tuesday, 64 have replied.

Ninety-two lay people of the Courier and mailed in their replies.

The quiz is repeated in the next issue.

Thus far, 44 laymen have responded to the "new liturgy" strengthened them about the same devotion.

The clergy replied to the questionnaire, 13 thought it weakened the devotion.

Most of those who voted for the "quiet" attending Mass and attending singing. One of the singers, you'd know it.

One who voiced objection to the "new" liturgy was, "Well, the Church attitude now?"

A pastor of a rural parish, "I'll go a last 37 years."

Replies to questions in the Church about liturgical changes favored the others also.

A more detailed list of issues of the Courier can be tabulated.

Theological Follow-up

Hartford — (RNS) — Catholic priest declared here that unless "personal theologians" take their rightful place as members of the Church in the conclave era others "with theological qualifications fill the vacuum by default."

Father Richard P. Mel opening a series of articles in the Hartford Transcript, weekly of the Hartford area, wanted that there be a "wide gap" between the logical advancement of the conclave and the "theological understanding of Catholic people — clergy included."

A priest of the Hartford diocese, he is a member of the Hartford Council.

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