



Army Promotes Father Straub

CHAPLAIN (MAJOR) FREDERICK W. STRAUB, a recent returnee from Vietnam, received a promotion to the rank of Major in a ceremony on July 12 in the Office Chief of Chaplains, Washington, D.C. Chaplain Straub, a native of Rochester and former assistant pastor of St. Boniface Church, was wounded in action while serving in Vietnam and medically evacuated to the States. The gold leaves of the rank of Major were pinned on by Chaplain (Brigadier General) Francis L. Sampson, Deputy Chief of Chaplains, (right), and Chaplain (Colonel) Donald W. Helm, Director, Personnel and Ecclesiastical Relations. Chaplain Straub is attached to the Detachment of Patients, Water Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C. (Official U.S. Army photograph)



Four Chaplains in Saigon

The paths of four St. Bernard's Seminary graduates met in Saigon recently. Father Gerard J. Gefell, a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army chaplains corps, celebrated his silver jubilee in the priesthood with chaplains James Kennedy-Vincent-Kilpatrick and John McCullough. Father Frederick Straub was also invited to attend but was wounded a few days prior to the anniversary observance.

Various Fields Attract College Grads

What do young women do after they graduated from college? Sister Mariana, Director of Placement at Nazareth College of Rochester, has been keeping track of 160 June, 1966, graduates — this is what she discovered:

Approximately twenty percent of the class will attend graduate or professional schools, including the Universities of Buffalo, Chicago, Illinois, Michigan, Rochester, Purdue, Fordham, Catholic University, Tufts University program in Naples, Italy, State University at Albany, North Carolina, Massachusetts, Georgetown, St. Bonaventure, College of Cranbrook-School of Art, and the University of Arizona.

Most popular field of work this year is teaching. Thirty-three will teach on the elementary level, a few in the diocesan parochial schools but most of them in the public schools of New York State; 21 will be teaching in secondary schools and 24 in special fields—Art, Music, and Speech Therapy.

Fifteen have accepted positions in social work agencies in various areas in New York State; Monroe County, Erie County, Utica, Binghamton, New York City, while two will be counselors in the school systems in Rome and Malone.

Fifteen will work in business and industry, as secretaries, chemists, programmers, supervisors and public relations personnel. Eastman Kodak, Xerox, Rochester Telephone and Bell Telephone are among the companies employing these graduates.

An increasing interest and demand have attracted ten percent of the class to government positions.

Three of the graduates will be working on college campuses, one at the University of Rochester and two at Nazareth in the administrative offices.

Some of the more unusual placements include one in the Peace Corps in Ethiopia, two in the lay apostolate, one in Texas and one in Oklahoma, an Air

Rochester Knights Honor Judge James P. B. Duffy

James P. B. Duffy, Papal knight, distinguished lawyer, former Supreme Court Justice and Congressman, civic leader and exemplary layman was honored by Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus for his long, devoted service to the K. of C. at a testimonial, July 21.

Bishop Kearney was the principal speaker at the dinner in the Knights of Columbus home, 513 Monroe Ave.

Judge Duffy, the Bishop said, is the "Noblest Roman of them all" because of his intelligent, consistent and enthusiastic approach to his religion and civic responsibility down through the years.

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Filippini Nuns Elect Superior

Sister Esther Del Ducas of the Religious Teachers Filippini has been elected Superior General of her order at a general chapter held this month in Rome. Born in Camden, N.J., she is the first American-born member to head her order.

The order, founded in Italy in the seventeenth century, has a catechetical school in St. Mary of the Lake parish, Watkins Glen, established in 1936.

Sister Esther Del Ducas succeeds Rev. Mother Ninetta Iomati, who is considered the founder of the Religious Teachers Filippini in America.

25 Years Ago

(From Catholic Courier files, July 31, 1941)

Ceremonial ceremony for new convent for the Sisters of St. Joseph teaching in Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Joseph Ave. was scheduled August 3, 1941 by Father Francis J. Hoefen, pastor.

Father Francis J. Lane, chaplain of Elmira Reformatory was appointed by Governor Herbert Lehman as an official delegate to represent New York State at the 71st Annual Congress of American Prison Association in San Francisco.

A "K. of C. Shrine Night" at Red Wing Stadium was being planned by members of Rochester Council and Damasus Temple, proceeds to go to the welfare fund of each organization.

Open House in Mt. Morris

Mt. Morris — An Open House will be held at St. Patrick's Convent, Murray St. Sunday afternoon, July 31 from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m.

This will provide the public an opportunity to see the improvements made to the convent building and chapel during the past year, according to Father Dominic J. Grasso, pastor.

Monsignor McCafferty Set Three More Nuns for Brazil

At First Friday Luncheon

Monsignor John E. McCafferty, pastor of Holy Rosary Church will address men of the First Friday Luncheon Club, August 5, Eugene R. Cusker, chairman of the Knights of Columbus sponsoring committee, said today.

The club luncheon begins at 12:10 p.m. in Hotel Sheraton. Monsignor McCafferty will be presented by Father William Donnelly, club moderator and chaplain of Rochester Council, K. of C.

The speaker is chairman of the Diocesan Ecumenical Commission and was Official or presiding judge of the Rochester diocesan tribunal.

He is a doctor of Canon law which degree he earned at Catholic University of America. Monsignor McCafferty also a diocesan consultant. He was ordained in 1945.

Men of Holy Rosary parish will be especially recognized at the luncheon. Any Catholic layman who receives Holy Communion on the First Friday is eligible to attend. Urban G. Kress, cochairman announces.

Father Richard Moran, C.S.S.R., of the Notre Dame Retreat House stressed the fourth R—Responsibility at the July club luncheon.

CFM Area IV Convention Slates Greensburg Bishop

A former Christian Family Movement (CFM) chaplain, now bishop of the Greensburg, Pa. diocese, will be keynote speaker for the C.F.M. Area IV 1966 Convention, slated for Erie, Pa. on August 26-28. Bishop William G. Connare will speak on "Sacrifice in the Christian Family" in the opening session at Gannon College.

Area IV of the national C.F.M. structure includes northern New York State, northwestern Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and northern West Virginia.

A number of C.F.M. couples from the Rochester diocese will attend the weekend convention, theme of which is "Family Life and Economics," the problem of economic pressures and their effect on family life.

Bishop Connare was a priest of the Pittsburgh, Pa. diocese before he was consecrated bishop of Greensburg. In addition to being a C.F.M. chaplain, he helped organize the Catholic Interracial Council of Pittsburgh. His keynote address will be based on the Vatican II Constitution on the Church.

The third departure ceremony of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester for members of their Community who are going to Mateira, Brazil, was held Wednesday, July 27, at 7 p.m. in the chapel of the Pittsford motherhouse.

Three Sisters received the mission cross from the hands of Bishop Kearney this year—Sister Marianna Pilot, Sister Gilmory Cardinal and Sister Ruthanne Manning—bring the number of Sisters in this Brazilian mission up to nine.

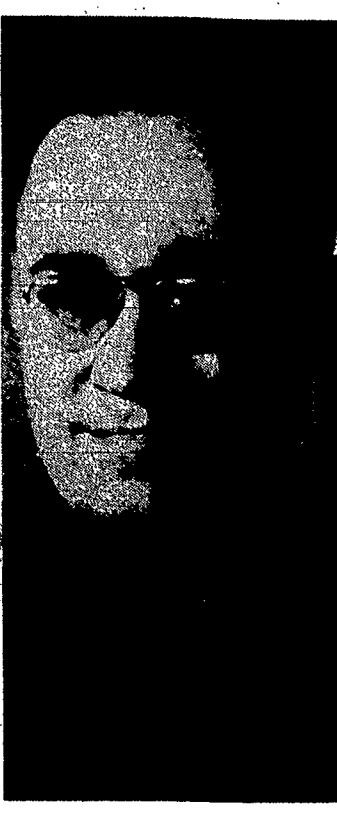
Families and friends of the three Sisters, as well as many of the Community, attended the impressive departure ceremony which asks God's blessing on "their labors of love in this new vineyard." Bishop Kearney presided at the ceremony and gave the sermon as he has for the two previous ones, bestowing his blessing on this greatly needed work for the Church.

The six Sisters already in Mateira, Sisters Rose Alma, Michael Marya, Regis, Annice, Loyola and Joques, teach religion and English and act as supervisors in the state-supported schools of the area. In addition, they direct clinics and clothing centers, do home visiting and catechize both children and adults with the Irish Oblate Fathers who direct the parishes.

When the three new missionaries arrive in South America, they will spend, as did the others, six months in training at the Center of Intercultural Formation in the city of Petropolis, Brazil, in order to be more thoroughly prepared in the language, history and customs of the country.

In January, 1967, upon the completion of the training period, the small Brazilian Community will put out its first "daughter-mission" in a town about fifty miles from Mateira called Cachoeira Alta. Their work there will be similar to that of their present mission.

Pictures of the departure rite will be in next week's Courier.



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Father Kraft In Philippines

Divine Word Father Richard Kraft of Rochester has been assigned to a new mission in the Philippines among the Tinguian people in the mountains of Abra. The mission area, he reported in a letter, includes several villages of 25 to 30 houses so he spends a sizable proportion of his time in travel from one village to another.

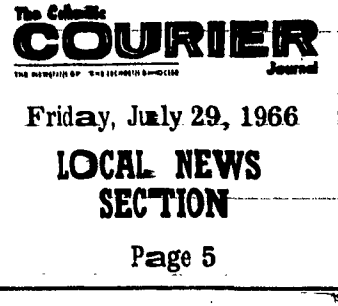
The main chapel of the mission in a village named Luba, built by his predecessor whose health broke down, is currently a target for termites, Father Kraft said. He hopes to salvage the chapel, refurbish it and build schools in many of the villages where local catechists can instruct both children and adults in the faith. He also faces the task of recruiting and instructing the catechists.

Father Brown, Brazil Pastor

Oblate Father Thomas Brown of Rochester is pastor of a new parish in Sao Paulo, Brazil, according to a letter he sent friends recently.

He and Father John Burns of Cleveland will staff Our Lady, Mother of the Church parish, with a population of 25,000 in an area 9 city blocks by 5 in this city of five million people.

The priests are at present using a temporary chapel which seats 200 and scheduling nine Masses on Sundays as they "start from scratch" to build their parish.



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DO WE WANT HAWKS, DOVES - OR MAYBE EAGLES?



Who Can End the War in Vietnam?

We can't expect God to step into Saigon and work a miracle to make peace there.

Neither the United Nations nor the U.S.-Congress seem to have a solution.

Nor does President Johnson give any evidence that he can end the war.

And both the North and South Vietnamese people do not indicate any hope of reconciliation by themselves.

Is there then no hope for peace?

I believe there is. In fact, a strong hope for peace.

I believe that this hope lies in you and me and thousands like us — the ordinary American people. If we become adequately informed and strongly roused to the basic facts of our war in Vietnam, then we can effectively challenge our nation's government to bring about a prompt and honorable peace in Vietnam.

More and more Americans are increasingly convinced of this urgent need for peace because the war is daily getting more and more out of hand.

What simply began in 1954 as help and advice from the United States to aid the people of South Vietnam in building a democracy under President Ngo Diem; changed in the years after 1960 to U.S. support of an arbitrary Diem family autocracy and, finally, in 1963, after nine years of supporting Diem, our government switched its backing to Diem's own military chieftains.

The fall of Diem, sequenced to by American diplomats, had a two-fold tragic effect — first, a series of unstable governments in South Vietnam and thereby, secondly, opening the doors for a massive build-up of Communist Viet Cong forces.

Our government attempted to correct its diplomatic mistakes by pouring in more and more American troops and military supplies to fight the Viet Cong.

Congress which had been providing foreign aid to 53 nations, inadvertently by an almost unanimous vote in its Tonkin Bay Resolution of August, 1964, authorized the President to use all necessary force in Vietnam. Congress has further expanded this program as recently in March of this year.

The Vietnam war in truth is now our war.

Monday morning quarterbacking shows that we got into this predicament through naive commitments and, in some cases, downright diplomatic blunders.

The War, however, continues at a soaring price as daily more lives are taken — lives of Vietnamese people, civilian and military, of both the North and South as well as the lives of young Americans — plus the multi-billion dollar costs of property destroyed and military equipment thrown into the battles.

The justification for this continuation of the war is the alleged containment of Communism. Americans are rightly concerned, some are even petrified, about a possible expansion of Communism in southeast Asia.

In this time of crisis, some Americans choose to be Hawks. They advocate an all-out war against North Vietnam and, if need be against Red China and even Soviet Russia. Other Americans, the Doves, are willing to make peace at any price.

I would like to propose an alternative. Can't we once again let the American Eagle be the symbol of vision, strength and courage —

• a vision to find a better way than war to contain Communism.

• the moral strength to admit our past failures and

• the courage to face up to our obligation to ourselves, to the Vietnamese and to the world to achieve peace now.

Our nation at present lacks this vision, strength and courage because too many Americans, including myself, have taken it for granted that our cause in Vietnam is totally righteous; because Congress has acted only in periphery fashion about the war and because such frightening power has been thrust into the hands of one man, the President, and his few close advisers.

Is it not time for all Americans — intellectuals, clergy, professional people, workers, you and I — to focus our eagle eye on all the aspects of this challenging crisis? We must then speak out through all channels of communication open to us. I plan to forward these remarks to my Congressman. I hope you will join me by either clipping this article and mailing it to your Congressman indicating your agreement or by writing him in your own words.

You and I, by continued discussion of the topic with our friends and associates and with the help of the press, radio and television, can make our American conviction prevail in Congress and with our President, that we want an end to the Vietnam war, not next year, not after November, but now.

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