

# McQuaid, Aquinas Tops in Debate

Rochester area schools took first place in every category of speech and debate in the qualifying to regional tournament of the National Forensic League, held at Oswego State College from April 21-22.

The National Forensic League is the national high school speech society with headquarters in Ripon, Wisconsin. There are over 1,000 member schools divided into 40 regional districts.

Each year a qualifying tournament is held to determine who the region will send to the national championships, which this year will be held in Nashville, Tennessee from June 19-22.

This year, for the first time in history, one city swept all the events which will be represented in the nationals.

In debate, the ultimate winner was McQuaid's team composed of seniors Joseph Combs, 1617 Scribner Rd., Penfield; Kevin Hennessy, 163 Mayfield and Juniors Richard Kealey, 272 Elmwood and James Welch, 25 Dyson.

After three rounds of preliminary debate on the topic "Resolved that the foreign aid program of the United States be limited to non-military assistance", the top 8 schools went into the quarter final round.

## Presbyterians Note Decree

London — (RNS) — Membership of the Presbyterian Church of England last year dropped to its lowest total in the 20th Century.

The denomination's Annual Report for 1967, cited a "substantial decrease" of 1,432 during 1966, bringing the total membership to a new low of 68,187.

In remarkable contrast to the diminished membership was the disclosure of a substantial increase in giving by members last year. Income at \$2,638,951 is said to be the highest in history.

William Strohmaier, a 15 year old Sophomore, at McQuaid became one of the youngest students to go to the national championships by winning first place in this category with an excerpt from "Philoctetes" a play by Sophocles. Strohmaier lives at 98 Stonehenge Road, Irondequoit.

For Original Oratory a student delivers an eight minute speech composed by himself on some area of general interest. Again a winner must advance 6 rounds against heavy competition to come out on top. First place in this division was won by Edward Streb, 17, a senior at Aquinas Institute who resides at 194 Remington St., Irondequoit.

Streb's speech, entitled "And the virtue called justice" dealt with the trial of James Gideon in 1961. Gideon was tried in a Florida court but could not afford to retain counsel. When the state of Florida refused to provide him with free attorney service, he defended himself only to be convicted. The case was appealed and overturned by the Supreme Court in May of 1963.

Another Aquinas senior, Patrick Gleason of 413 Tarrington Road, Irondequoit, won first place in Boy's Extemporaneous Speaking. In this event each student draws from a list of pre-determined topics twenty minutes before he is to speak. Each topic concerns itself with some recent event of news value.

A contestant is allowed to take up to forty written-words with him into the contest and then delivers an impromptu 6 minutes speech on his topic. Third place in Extemp went to Joan Redman of McQuaid, 17, of 124 Stoneleigh Court, Brighton.

In Girl's extemporaneous speaking, the winner was a senior from R. L. Thomas High School, Sue Bailey of 597 Shady Glenn Circle, Webster. Sue also took third place in dramatic interpretation.

All the above winners will compete in Nashville in June. Aquinas Institute is coached by James Perry. R. L. Thomas's coach is Peter Price, and McQuaid is coached by Leonard R. Riformato, S.J.

## SPIRITUAL EXERCISES AT THE CENACLE

Spiritual exercises will be held at the Cenacle Retreat House for women, 693 East Avenue, Rochester, during the month of May as follows:

### RETREATS:

- May 12-14—St. Raphael's Guild & Business Women—Very Rev. Albert Bartlett, S.J.
- May 19-21—General Retreat—Rev. Henry Atwell
- May 26-28—General Retreat—Rev. Joseph Scannell, C.S.S.R.

### GUILD MEETINGS:

- May 16—St. Raphael's Guild (Business and Professional Women) 7:15 p.m. — Rt. Rev. Joseph L. Hogan
- May 17—Cenacle for the Blind, 7:00 p.m.
- May 18—Eucharistic Guild, 8:45 a.m.—Rt. Rev. Msgr. John E. Maney

### STUDY CLUBS:

- May 10—Young Business Girls, 7:00 p.m.
- May 18—Young Married Couples, 8:00 p.m. — Rev. Henry Atwell
- May 24—Young Business Girls, 7:00 p.m.

### SPECIAL EVENT:

- May 6—Feast of Our Lady of the Cenacle, 10 a.m. Holy Mass

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Sister M. Joanne, R.S.M., Co-Director of the Rochester-Monroe County Head Start Program, stops with Congressman Frank Horton on the steps of the Capitol during a recent visit to Washington. Sister attended a week-long conference in the Capital of the Association for Childhood Education International.

## Friday Club Members Slate Sister M. Joanne

Sister M. Joanne, a Sister of Mercy and co-director of the Headstart Program in Rochester will be the Friday Luncheon Club speaker, May 5, according to Eugene R. Cusker, chairman of the Knights of Columbus sponsoring committee.

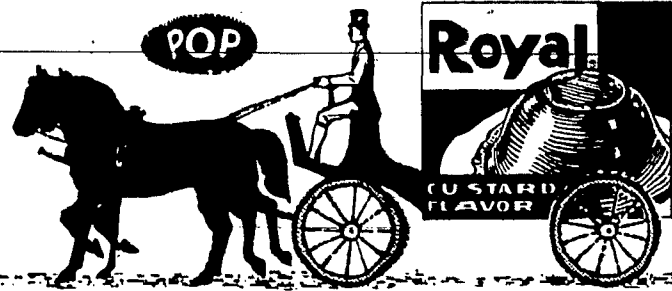
She will speak at the luncheon in Hotel Sheraton, at 12:10 p.m. and will be presented by Father William Donnelly, club moderator and K. of C. chaplain.

Before being assigned to her present position with Action for a Better Community, Inc. Sister Joanne was principal of St. Thomas the Apostle School at 44 Colebrook Dr., Irondequoit. She is a graduate of Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart, Purchase, N.Y.

Catholic laymen who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday are welcome at the luncheon who are affiliated with the Knights of Columbus or not. Urban G. Kress, co-chairman announced.

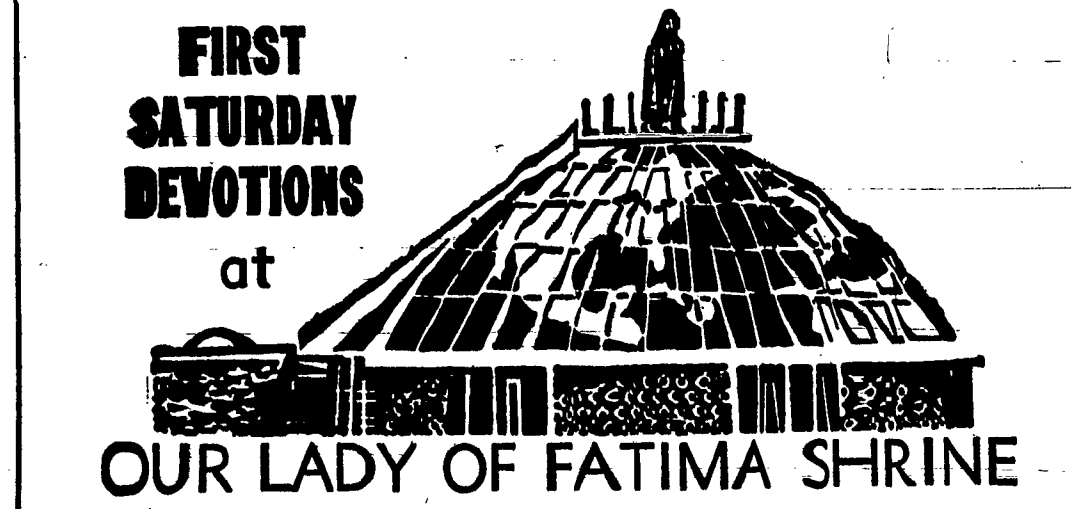
The pressing problems of an inner city parish and the great

need for understanding of, and help for, the poor in that parish were explained by Father Francis H. Vogt, speaker at the April meeting.



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**What's New**

ST. JOSEPH, Rush, Mother and daughter Communion Breakfast, May 7 following 10 a.m. Mass, \$1 per person; \$150 stall presbytery; Stephen Leathen, color slides of "Checkpoint Charlie." Reservations, Margaret Kleeh, 533-1130.

GOOD-SHEPHERD, Henrietta. Rosary Altar Society Fashion Show Friday, April 28 at 8 p.m. Commentator: Miss Rita of Channel 13. Tickets, \$1.50, available from bird leaders or Mrs. Harvey Kidder, 334-5222, or at d.o.r. Chairmen: Mesdames Peter Sullivan, William Gleason, Howard Bradybaugh and Mrs. Kidder.

SACRED HEART, Perkiomenville. Bishop Sheen will administer the sacrament of confirmation at a rite in the church Sunday, April 30, at 5 p.m.

ST. PATRICK, Mt. Morris. Home-School-Association meeting Sunday, April 30 at 8 p.m. in school auditorium. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Flynn, presidents. Modern math demonstration by Sister Anne Helene, S.S.J.

NATIVITY OF THE B.V.M., Brockport. Members of the parish met Friday, April 14 in the school hall. They discussed and voted to accept the constitution of the school board. Board members will include Father Edward J. Lintz, pastor, Sister Ann Celine, principal, and seven laymen.

CHRIST THE KING, Irondequoit. Parishioners will elect first school board on June 13. Constitution and election procedure adopted unanimously at April 20 meeting in Bishop Kearney High School. Bernard H. Florack is chairman of nominating committee. Eighteen nominations for a nine member board will be submitted by May 7, published by May 14, additional nominations until May 20.

ST. PIUS X, Rochester. Mission given during past week by Father Michael Connor, C.F. Holy Name Communion Sunday, April 30 at 7:30 a.m. Mass. Breakfast sponsored by Rosary Guild—in parish center. Guest speaker, James M. White, current constitutional convention. Fr. Bob, president. Sunday, May 7, men will serve at Rosary Society a annual Communion Breakfast.

Rosary Guild meeting Tuesday, May 2. Whimsie demonstration.

Golden . . . MR. AND MRS. DOMENIC marked the fiftieth anniversary at a dinner on April 15 in pipe Blvd.

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