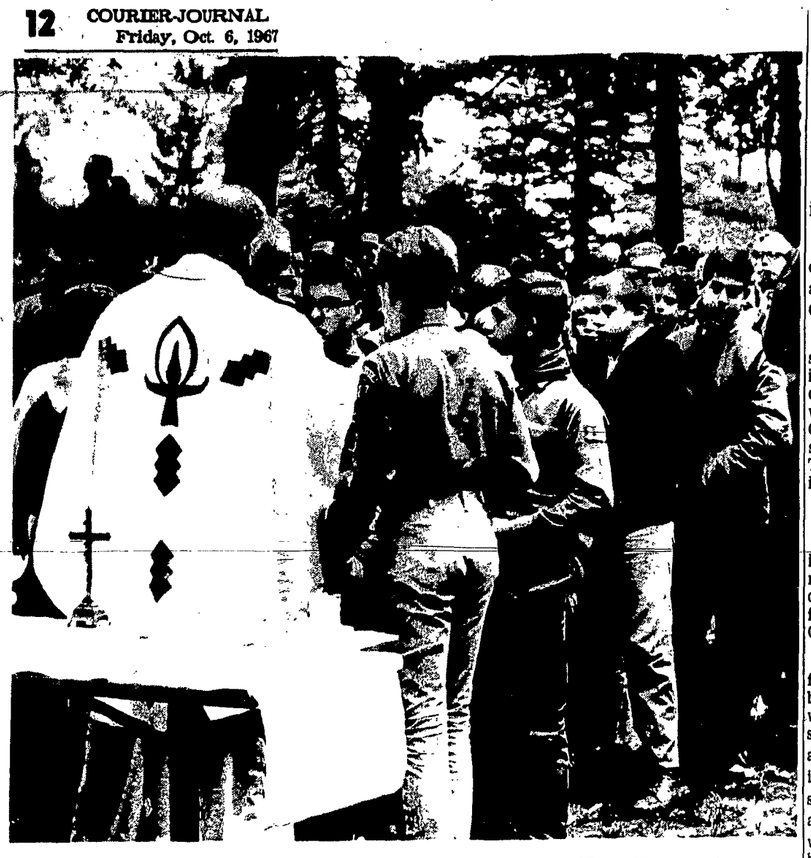

WORSHIP IN WOODLAND. Father John Fearon gives Holy Communion to Boy Scouts at outdoor Mass held at St. Bernard's Seminary park. He is spiritual director at the seminary. Occasion was three day Scout Retreat.

## At the Seminary:

# They're Tenting Tonight

On Friday at 6:15 p.m. the first tent went up. By 9:15 hundreds of tents were pitched and a total of 448 boys were encamped on the grounds of St. Bernard's Seminary.

The occasion for this invasion of the previously sacrosanct seminary grounds was a weekend retreat for Boy Scouts Sept. 29 through Oct. 1.

Control planning and cooperation characterized the event sponsored by the Otetiana Council of Scouting and carried out by 81 leaders and 135 seminarians. The City of Rochester supplied two water trucks for drinking and washing facilities.

The Police Department and 25 Explorer Scouts provided a logistics miracle of sorts when they got 600 people across Lake Ave. in 20 seconds. The feat was achieved by lining the group up in a double column by the side of the road, stopping the traffic and then having the boys sidestep their way across.

Saturday's program kept everyone busy. In the seminary library a psychedelic be-in was created, using flashing posters ("Wanted: Jesus Christ — For disrupting the established order") and pop music with a message.

Later that afternoon, Dr. Douglas Hyde, new faculty member at St. Bernard's, addressed one group on leadership, using his own life experiences as a background.

Filmstrips (The Red Balloon, The Parable), and an exhibit on Abraham portraying him as a man on the move in search of himself provided discussion material for the individual groups when they broke up with their own seminarian leader later to talk about what they had seen and felt.

Small group Masses later that afternoon and a campfire at 8 p.m. at which Bert Nash from the Scouting Council talked about St. Isaac Jogues rounded out the day's event.

Sunday morning all Boy Scouts, leaders and seminarians gathered for a Mass celebrated outdoors by Father Joseph Brennan, rector of St. Bernard's marking the official close of the retreat.

SOUP'S ON at Scout Retreat held on grounds of St. Bernard's Seminary last weekend. Checking the viands is Dick Finewood, Scout leader of Troop No. 68, Sacred Heart Cathedral parish.

# Sister Sanctina Mass At Holy Family Oct. 7

Sister Mary Sanctina, S.S.N.D., died August 8, 1967 in the infirmary of Notre Dame of Maryland College, after several years of failing health. She was born May 17, 1878, the youngest daughter of Michael and Anna Wenner and received her early education at Holy Family School. In 1896 she began her candidature in Baltimore, Md. and was professed in 1901.

Her first appointment as a teacher was to the school of St. Alphonsus in Roxbury, Mass. where she taught at the grammar and high schools for 22 years. Then followed teaching and custodial appointments at Libertytown, Md.; Washington, D.C.; Saratoga Springs; Newark, N.J. and Philadelphia, Pa; Camden, N.J. and Baltimore, Md.

Her last labors were as assistant vice-principal at the Notre Dame Preparatory School. She spent about 5 years in retirement at the infirmary. Burial was in the Sisters plot in the cemetery at Villa Marie, Notch Cliff, Baltimore, Md.

**A MEMORIAL MASS** will be offered at Holy Family Church on Saturday, Oct. 7, at 8 a.m., to which friends and relatives are invited.

Sister is survived by nieces and nephews, including Sr. Mary Firma, Miller, SSND, Sr. Mary Firma Miller, SSND, Sr. also cousin, Sr. Mary Mirella Tuschong, SSND. Many grandnieces and nephews, among whom are Father Raymond Wuest, Sr. William Andrew, SSJ, and Sr. M. Imelda, SSJ.

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## By Sisters Here

# 'Flying Nun' Shot Down

By MONICA REEVES

There were one or two in the crowd who looked as if they might be the "Flying Nun" herself.

But generally reaction to this much-discussed TV comedy series was unfavorable among the nuns at Corpus Christi convent on Prince St.

In an effort to find out what sisters themselves think of the image presented by their counterparts of the "boob - tube" world, the St. Joseph nuns of Corpus Christi graciously consented to view the show last Thursday evening and react to it.

And react they did.

Most of them reported having watched the season's premiere in early September just out of curiosity. Few went back for a second dose until the Courier requested it, however.

Sr. Mary Alfred said that she found herself resenting the airborne nun just because "I would resent anything that presents a nun as unreal." She agreed with Sr. Andre that the image presented by the show's star, Sally Field is almost exactly the opposite of that which was popularized a few years back in the "Nun's Story," a movie in which Audrey Hepburn was the stereotype of the medieval nun.

Sister Mary David, principal at Corpus Christi school, admitted that although she laughed at the "Flying Nun's" high-jinks, she disliked the philosophy behind it — that of "cute, funny nunneries."

Sister Andre predicts that although the series will be a success, its popularity will be short-lived. She found the series' plot inane. Sister Andre thought that if Sister Bertrille quit flying and the character's personality was given some depth, the show might be of more value.

Sally Field as Sr. Bertrille

None of the sisters interviewed were unduly concerned about the show being a derogatory comment of convent life but Sister Maureen feared that it might be confusing for youngsters — the very age group which makes up the show's audience. She thought that if mass media were going to make use of the life of a sister as the basis for a story line, it would be nice if a balance be found between the stoical sister of the "Nun's Story" type and the gimmicky, cute "Flying Nun."

Sister Francis Marie summed up by saying that the "story was so improbable, it was humorous."

*As the sisters hurried off to* their respective chores and duties, one couldn't help thinking that there must be times when some of them must secretly wish they really could fly.

# October, Month of Rosary, Broadcast in 17th Year

Bishop Kearney will highlight diocesan observance of the feast of the Holy Rosary, Saturday, October 7, by leading recitation of the Rosary in the Family Rosary for Peace radio broadcast that evening at 7 p.m.

October, month of the Rosary, will also include an appeal for funds to sustain the broadcast, heard over a five-station network which links all sections of the Rochester Diocese.

Monsignor Joseph Cirrincione, pastor at St. Francis of Assisi Church, where the broadcast originates, said the program is nearing its 6500th consecutive broadcast. The program began March 4, 1950 and is now in its 17th year.

Contributions may be sent to the program at 401 Orange St., Rochester, N.Y., 14611.

# Baptist Meet Stresses Unity

The ecumenical climate of the times was never more evident than in the New York State Baptist Convention which concluded its three day annual meeting in Rochester on Wednesday (Oct. 4).

When Bishop Sheen, originally slated as a main speaker, had to bow out because he was heading for the Bishops' Synod in Rome, the Baptists signed up Father Gregory Baum, Toronto's famed Augustinian theologian to take his place.

Father Baum stressed that "God wants unity," in his Monday evening address at Lake Avenue Baptist Church, the convention headquarters. He insisted that the ecumenical search must acknowledge other Christians as Christians, other churches as churches.

St. Bernard's Seminary Choir sang the same night for the assembled delegates, representing nearly 100,000 American Baptist Convention members outside the metropolitan New York City area.

The Baptists also invited several local Catholics to participate in their small group seminars on such fields as the ecumenical cooperative ministry, the church in the political process, etc.

One group toured the offices of the Catholic Courier-Journal as part of their communications media seminar. They also heard Father Robert Kanka, the Courier's associate editor explain the role of the diocesan paper in the Catholic communications field.

**Book Review**

Dr. Hayden White, professor of history at the University of Rochester, wll review "The Autobiography of Bertrand Russell," in the lunch hour book review series at the Rochester Public Library Tuesday, October 10, at 12:13 noon.

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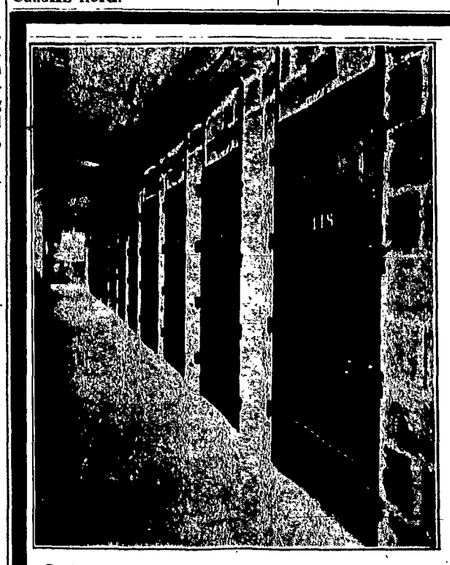

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# DCCW Installs New President

Miss Josephine Fitzgerald of Hornell was formally installed as new president of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) by Father Joseph Dailley, Vicar for Pastoral Renewal on Saturday, Sept. 30. Her installation took place in the chapel of the Columbus Civic Center.

Other officers installed were: Mrs. Frank Lyke of Manchester, first vice president; Mrs. Everett Murphy of Rochester, second vice president; Mrs. Charles Miskell of Geneseo, recording secretary; Miss Laura Failey of Auburn, treasurer; and Miss Katherine Hockeborn of Cayuga, assistant treasurer.

The DCCW voted to make Saturday, Oct. 7, the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, a day of prayer for the success of the Bishops' Synod in Rome and cabled a message of greeting to Bishop Sheen in Rome.

A new development in the Rochester DCCW is the Auxiliary membership. This type of mmbership is open to women who are not currently linked to the organization through affiliated organizations, and who wish to be on the Council's mailing list. Individuals can secure this membership by sending name, address and one dollar in dues to the DCCW Office, 50 Chestnut St., Rochester, N.Y. Further information can be obtained by phoning the office, 325-2724. The office will be staffed on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

*Brochures describing the five* major committees of Community Services, International Affairs, Family Affairs, Church Communities and Organization services, are now available at the office or by writing for them.

It was decided that the Monroe County districts will function as a unit until the annual diocesan meeting next Spring. The date for the Quarterly Board meeting was set for Sunday, Oct. 29.

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## St. Thomas More Lists 40 Hours

Forty Hours Devotion will be conducted in St. Thomas More Church, 2617 East Ave. beginning Sunday, Oct. 8. Sunday, the Low Mass and sermon will be at 5 p.m. with Confessions afterward. Masses on Monday and Tuesday will be at 5:30 p.m. Father Francis J. Pegnam, pastor, is directing arrangements.

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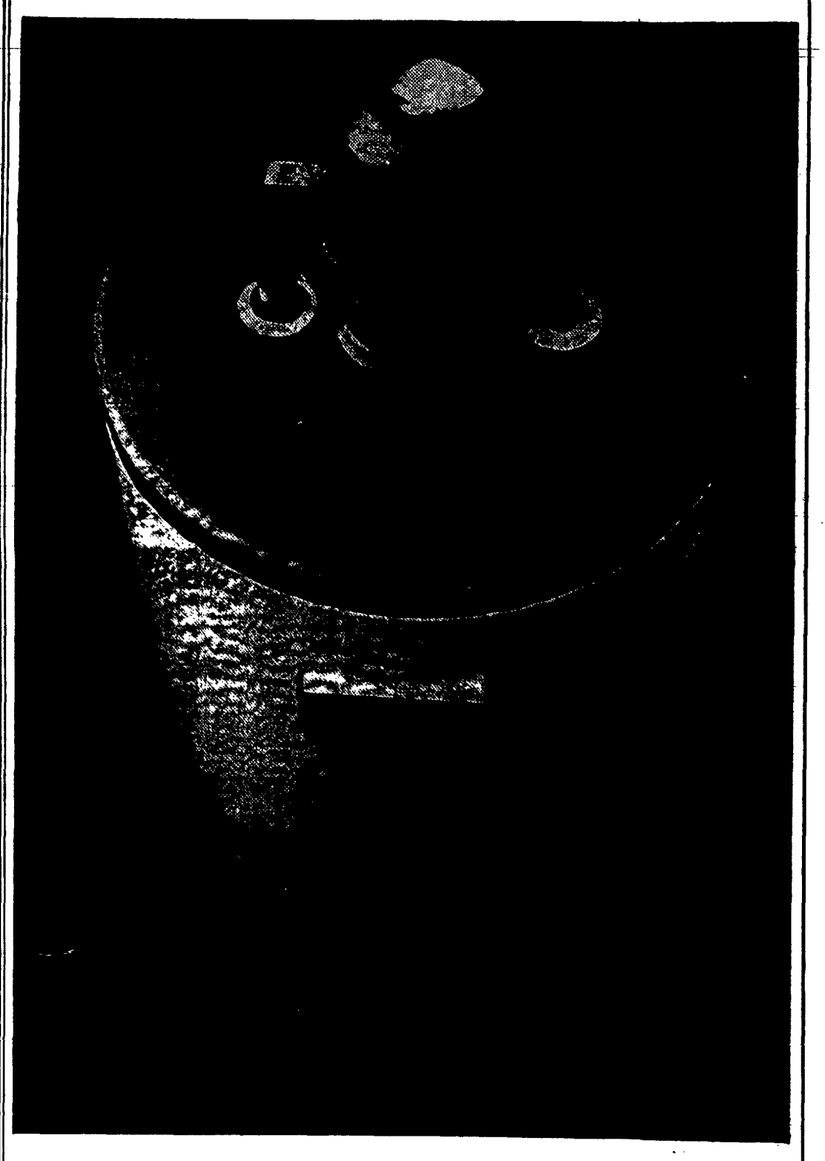

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