

Mass of Thanksgiving at the Eastman Theater Oct. 13, 1968, was the principal religious observance of the Diocesan Centennial Year.

Many Religious Communities of Women Serve

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The future of the Trinitarians in the diocese," queries Sister Mary Irene, superior. "I feel this will depend on the success of our new four-parish program. This new endeavor calls for continual step-by-step evaluation and it will only be after a valid 'experiment' with this type of work that we will know whether it will continue in the future.

"One thing I can predict is that the success of this program will depend on our Sisters' close cooperation and working with the clergy. This will be essential to the continuation of such a program in future years."

A different type of work, the specialized task of educating girls with problems, was entrusted to the Sisters of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge by Bishop O'Hern in 1930. These Sisters, who operate Holy Angels Home on Winton Road, expect their future in the diocese to bring an extension and expansion of their present works.

Sister Francis, Superior and Administrator of Holy Angels Home, prophesies: "There will always be a need for residential treatment of girls, such as we offer now at Holy Angels. However, future years are bound to bring more emphasis to home visitations and consultations with

the parents, and probably more visitations in prisons, as well.

"I feel that in order to meet the problems where they lie, we will begin to live in apartments and will find the inner city an increasing area of our apostolate. Dealing with dope addiction will also be a major concern in future years. We are already meeting this problem and it seems to

When Rochester Received Mission Aid

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From the very beginning the Rochester Diocesan Office of the Society was assisting not only the Foreign Missions, but also the Home Mission here in the United States. For in the first full year of its existence the Rochester Office sent \$12,100 to Rome via the National Office of the Society in New York City, and \$4,372.03 to the American Board of Catholic Missions for missionary work in the United States.

The latter group came into existence by reason of an agreement between the American Bishops and the Vatican reached in November of 1924. According to this agreement the American Bishops were allowed to keep here in the United States 40% of the Mission Sunday Collection.

Each year a committee of American Bishops allocate this

me that it is a difficulty which will increase and will need our concerted attention."

Added to the services of these religious communities, the Diocese of Rochester in the next 100 years will rely upon the dedication of the many other communities who have served the people of the area in their varied apostolates: Congrega-

tion of Our Lady of the Retreat in the Cenacle (Rochester); Discalced Carmelites (Pittsford); Dominican Nuns of the Perpetual Rosary (Elmira); Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Divine Child (Rochester); Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement (Elmira); Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph (Rochester, Auburn); Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart (Fairport,

Ithaca, Victor, Dryden, Van Etten); Pontifical Institute of the Religious Teachers Filipini (Watkins Glen); Religious of Jesus and Mary (Auburn); Religious of the Sacred Heart (Rochester); Sisters of St. Basil the Great (Auburn); Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate (Rochester); and Third Franciscan Order Minor Conventuals (Auburn).

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istant Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Rochester for sixteen years. Father Wood's tenure as Diocesan Director lasted for five years until June of 1961, when he was appointed Pastor of Our Mother of Sorrows Parish in Greece.

The 99th year of the history of the Diocese—1967—was a year of which the people of the Rochester Diocese could well be proud. For under the direction and inspiration of the Shepherd of the flock of Rochester, Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, the clergy and the religious, the Diocese of Rochester ranked sixth in the United States for money contributed to the missions, outranked only by New York, Brooklyn, St. Louis, Chicago, and Detroit.

Mission Sunday in October of 1967 brought the largest collection ever in the history of the Diocesan Mission Office—\$180,000. And so, \$403,066.99 was

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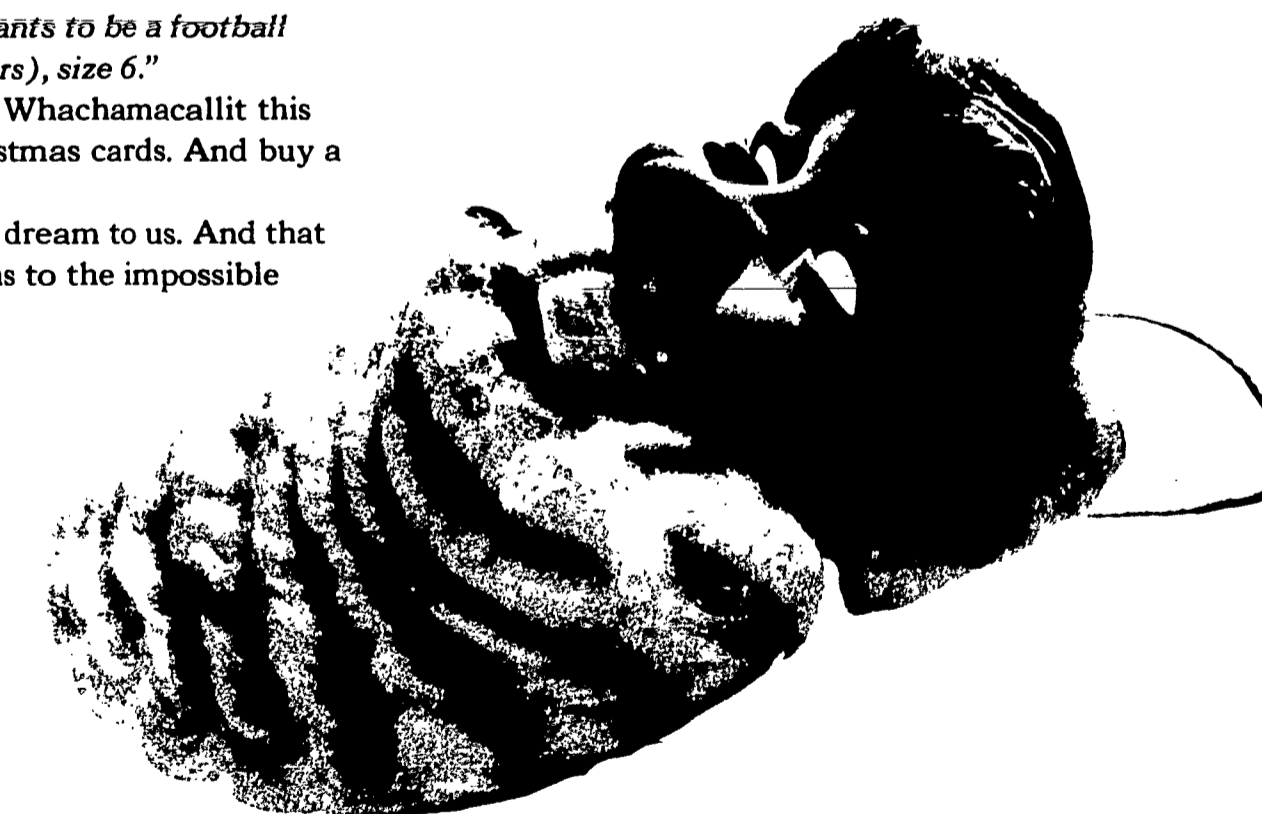
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