Gene Kelly...an Hour of Charm

By PAT COSTA

It is not a particularly wise idea to sit down to review a television program with a preconceived notion.

I think, however, that few viewers would have blamed me for having some slanted ideas on the subject of the Gene Kelly special "Wonderful World of Girls" before seeing it.

The special, seen here on Channel 8, seemed easy enough to pre-type if you took the title seriously. The promos didn't help either.

Still, in lieu of anything more stimulating on the TV screen, we turned to it, to find it mildly diverting at some times, absolutely charming at others and never once in poor

Number one asset was the man

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with telephone stickers have

been ordered and will be dis

tributed by Boy Scouts to 15,

000 homes in the area, she said. The FISH answering service himself. As the head of our house commented, "I always sit down to watch Gene Kelly in movies or television not particularly caring for him, yet by the time the show is over he's changed my mind."

With the help of Barbara Feldon, and Ruth Buzzi and a couple of pintsize performers who danced and played the piano, Kelly entertained for an hour. Particular credit goes to the writers who lifted the sketches from the off color doldrums we are more frequently used to in such variety shows and placed them in a class of wit and fun.

Two other shows on NBC that preceded and followed the special didn't fare so well.

"The Shameful Secrets of Hastings Corners," a comedy special spoofing

Ferrante and Teicher, Move Over

And make room at the twin pianos for Father Joseph Roff, left, and Father

Gennaro D'Ecclesiis, members of the music faculty at St. Joseph's College,

Brooklyn. The two priests performed at a recent concert at the college.

Tryouts are scheduled for 8

elderly, all on a short-term basis. They also read to the blind to 10 tonight, Jan. 23, and 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 25, at the theater troupe's studio, 892 S.

'Men of the Year' Named by CWV

parish Boy Scout troop.

such as the afternoon soap operas and the defunct "Peyton Place", left something to be desired in clarity Likewise, "Rowan and Martin Bites the Hand that Feeds Them", another

TV programs with involved plots

spoof, this time of television in general, proved a disappointment. Carol Burnett, the Smothers Brothers and Sammy Davis Jr. couldn't raise this hour out of the morass but

it is doubtful that any other guests

could have done better.

Rowan and Martin's continuing problem has been lack of originality in their scripts to say nothing of an adolescent preoccupation with sex on a level that could be of little interest to anyone over 12.

'Brand X' Film Heads Many Lists in Survey

Catholic Press Features

New York - A survey of various "top 10" film lists compiled by critics of various Catholic and secular publications reveals that "Midnight Cowboy," "Z," "Oh! What a Lovely War" and "True Grit", were the most favored films released this past year.

"Midnight Cowboy," first major American film given an "X" rating (persons under 16 not admitted) by the motion picture industry, led a great many lists, includ-ing those of "Our Sunday Vis-itor" and New York "Catholic News" critic John E. Fitzger-"America's" Moira Walsh, and James Arnold, synicated in about 20 diocesan newspapers.

"Midnight Cowboy," star-ring Jon Voight and Dustin Hoffman as two men who come to learn the meaning of compassion in the sordid atmosphere of Times Square, was given an "A-4" rating (morally unobjectionable for adults, with reservations) by the National Catholic Office for Motion Pictures, a generally favorable review by NCOMP, and a prize by the International Catholic Film

various "best film" lists. Following these, among more frequently cited films,

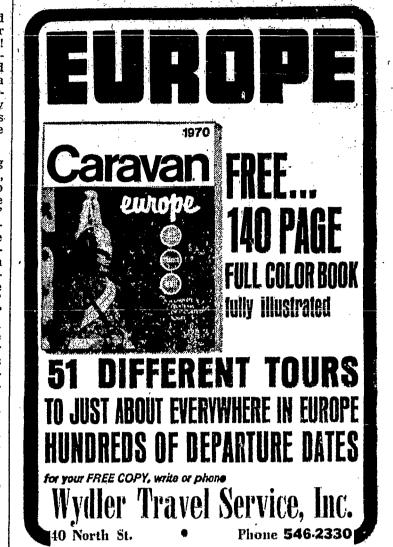
were "The Damned," Luchino Visconti's drama on the rise of Nazism in Germany; "If,"

"Z," starring Yves Montand as a Greek political leader who is assassinated; "Oh! What a Lovely War," a musical-comedy satire on World War I, and "True Grit," a Western-style adventure starring John Wayne as a crusty old marshal, were the films most often mentioned in the

a fictional look at harsh discipline in England's private schools; "La Femme Infidele," a crime - of - passion thriller with an upper-middleclass marriage setting; "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie," a portrait of a "progressive" teacher in a Scottish school for girls; "Last Summer," the Frank and Eleanor Perry film about four teenagers whose attempt at sophistication ends in violence; "Adalen 31," a Swedish film by Bo Widerberg, director of "El-vira Madigan"; "Easy Rider," about two hippie motorcyclists who set out to "discover America"; "Medium Cool," a semi-documentary about a cameraman at the Chicago Democratic Convention, and "Tell Them Willie Boy Is Here," a film about the injustice done to the American Indian.

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Pilgrimage Planned to Oberammergau

An Oberammergau Pilgrimage with visits and stopovers at major religious and tourist and the Sundance Kid" centers throughout Europe is (Adults). M. being planned to leave from Rochester this spring.

Special features are con-

firmed reservations to the Oberammergau Passion Play; cele-FISH Story

FISH, meaning Friends in Service Here, is a going concern in Gates and Chili.

The organization has answered 40 requests for emergency help since Oct. 1, Mrs. Barbara Pedeville of Elmgrove Road reported this week. Brochures

The Catholic War Veterans has been active in the affairs of of Monroe County have chosen down the St. Anthony's parish for half a nuiversary of the apparitions, an audience with Pope Paul VI.

The Catholic War Veterans has been active in the affairs of of Monroe County have chosen down the second for their century and has been a trusted for 20 years. He is a member of the ushers' group and of the Holy Name Society. In 1967-68, he was president of the Undertakers' Association of Rochester.

Wards will be presented Sunday morning, Feb. 15, in a ceremony at St. Anthony's Church. Boncone of 850 N Plymoutters is an usher at Sacred Heart

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Other stops on the tour will include Lisbon, Madrid, Florence, Venice, Munich, and Luckers' Association of Rochester.

Houck, of 276 Clay Avenue, is an usher at Sacred Heart anniversary of the apparitions, jesty's Secret Service" an audience with Pope Paul VI. (Adults). M.

The tour will leave Rochester on the afternoon of Monday, Wagon" (Adults). M. Roncone, of 850 N. Plymouth, Cathedral and works with the May 11 for New York City and from there that night for Lis- (Adults). M. BLACKFRIARS
SET TRYOUTS
The Blackfriars are looking of the county CWV last Friday off from Zurich, Switzerland, Michael Terrigino was elected on Monday, June 1. The awards were announced

number is 544-8220. Volunteers for about 15 men and 15 women are prepared to supply household help and child care, meals, hold help and child care, meals, Father John J. Steger, pastor of St. Jude's Church, will be spiritual director and daily Masses will be provided. A pro fessional tour conductor will accompany the group throughout

The fathers of Holy Child-hood School children will put on their annual stag party next The rate is \$995 per person Saturday night, Jan. 31, from 8 and further information may be until 1 at Cardinal Mooney obtained from Father John J High School, 800 Maiden Laine. Steger, pastor, St. Jude's The school for retarded chil-Church, 4100 Lyell Road, Roch dren has 85 pupils aged 7 to 18. Church, 4100 Lyell Road, Roch-It is financially dependent on ester, N.Y. Phone number is ¹716-647-3956.

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Here is a list of motion pic-tures currently playing in Rochester area theaters and the ratings given them by the Na-tional Catholic Office of Mo-tion Pictures Cinema—"Midnight Cowboy"

(Adults, with reservations). Fine Arts - "Easy Rider" Adults, with reservations). R. Little - "A Dream of Kings"

Loew's—"Bob and Carol and Ted and Alice" (Objectionable). Monroe-"Hello Dolly" (Gen-

Panorama - "Goodbye, Mr. Chips" (General). G.

Paramount - "Butch Cassidy

Regent—"The Arrangement" Objectionable). R. Riviera — "John and Mary" (Objectionable). R.

Stoneridge -- "On Her Ma-

Studio 2—"I Am Curious (Yellow)" (Condemned). X. Stutson - "The Reivers"

(Adults). M.

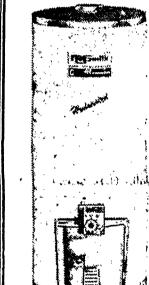
Towne II - "Cactus Flower"

Waring — "101 Dalmatians" (General). G.

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Movie listings supplied through the courtesy of

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Week of Fri., Jan. 23 thru Thurs., Jan. 29 Channel **Fime**

Friday, January 23

1:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

9:00 p.m.

11:25 p.m.

10:30 a.m.

11:30 p.m.

9:00 p.m.

10:30 a.m. Only Two Can Play. Part 2 9:00 p.m. Wake Me When It's Over

11:30 p.m. 13 The Great Man

Saturday, January 24

The Siege of Sydney Street No Rating Encore

8:30 p.m. The Last Safari No Rating 11:15 p.m. The Gallant Hours 11:30 p.m. Away All Boats 11:45 p.m. Monkey Business

> Sunday, January 25 Bye Bye Birdie

Hombre All at Sea Go Into Your Dance

Monday, January 26

Wet Asphalt. Part 1 Suddenly, Last Summer 10:30 a.m. 8:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m. Flame Over India 11:30 p.m. Nightmare In the Sun

Tuesday, January 27

Wet Asphalt. Part 2 8:30 p.m. Carter's Army 9:00 p.m. Kings Go Forth 11:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 28

The Great Man. Part 1 11:30 p.m. Thursday, January 29

> The Great Man. Part 2 10 Mister Moses Sergeant Rutledge

No Rating Six Black Horses

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If variety is the spice of life it may do something for cooking also, so this week "Hometown Cookery" has chosen a recipe from "Specialties of the House," a collection of traditional recipes published by the Temple Sinai Sisterhood.

The book is a more extravagant edition than those done by most parishes; it costs \$3, has a plastic cover and more than 200 pages,

The book offers some ideas which may be of help to parish fund-raisers. First of all members of the sisterhood sold ads to help with produc tion costs. There also is a section devoted to table decorat ing, discussing color schemes seasonal suggestions, fruits and flowers.

An extra dimension is add ed by descriptions of Jewish holy days and appropriate recipes for each of them individually. The se recipes would be helpful in planning

Fritterin' Rose Perlitz made pancakes

for breakfast Monday morning and had a lot of batter

When her husband, John, and their two grade-school boys had gone forth from the house at 380 S. Eileen Drive, to take up their share of the world's work, Rose gladly tackled hers. She put two more eggs in the surplus pancake batter, to

stiffen it, and incidentally increased its volume. First she batter-fried the outside stalks of a new head of celery. Then she did up a batch of artichoke hearts.

There was still some batter Meanwhile, Rose had filled her waiting time by getting pop corn ready for the boys' return from school. Corn frit ters are good, she thought

how about popcorn fritters? Delicious! she said modestly. And besides, rather funny. She was laughing when she came on the Courier-Journal

"My friends are always kidding me about my recipes. Why don't you write in to the have, but this one is so



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