

## Pre-Cana Schedule

Nine Pre-Cana Conferences—a marriage preparation course for engaged couples—are scheduled to begin during the next three months in six diocesan communities.

### Aquinas Drive Is Nearing Halfway

Aquinas Institute's 1970 Annual Giving Drive is nearing the half way point in both time and money, according to Father Leon G. Hart, C.S.B., Principal.

Father Hart made a personal appeal on March 7 to the over-10,000 graduates of the Catholic high school. After one month, approximately \$30,000 has been realized. The goal for the two months drive is \$75,000.

The funds will help Aquinas meet operating expenses. In the last 10 years, expenses have risen from about \$200,000 to over \$800,000.

As the campaign enters its second month, over 150 alumni have volunteered to form a phonathon. They will call fellow classmates who have not yet answered the appeal and remind them of the needs of their alma mater. The phonathon is being held Monday-Thursday, April 6-9.

#### PASSION PLAY DOWNED

New York—Phillip E. Hoffman, president of the American Jewish Committee, charged that the famed Oberammergau Passion Play, performed since 1634, "remains fundamentally hostile to Jews and Judaism" despite recent revisions. At the same time, two other American Jewish groups urged Cardinal Julius Döpfner of Munich, Germany, not to support or attend the play, which is about 40 miles from Munich. (NC)

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All sessions for the Rochester area will be conducted in St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall, 69 Whitney St. Participants may select any one of three similar conferences scheduled on Sundays—at 3, 5:30 or 8 p.m. The Friday conferences are at 8 p.m. The schedule:

**Rochester**—Sundays, May 3, 17, 24, 31; June 7, 14, 21, 28. Fridays—April 17, 24 and May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5.

**Auburn**—St. Hyacinth Church, 7 p.m., April 12, 19, 26 and May 3; Holy Family Church, 3 p.m., May 17, 24, 31 and June 7.

**Owego**—St. Patrick's Church, 3 p.m., April 12, 19.

**Elmira**—Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 8 p.m., May 17, 20, 24, 27.

**Ithaca**—Immaculate Conception Church, 8 p.m., June 5, 12, 19, 26.

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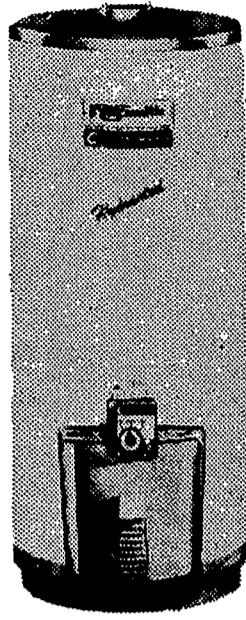
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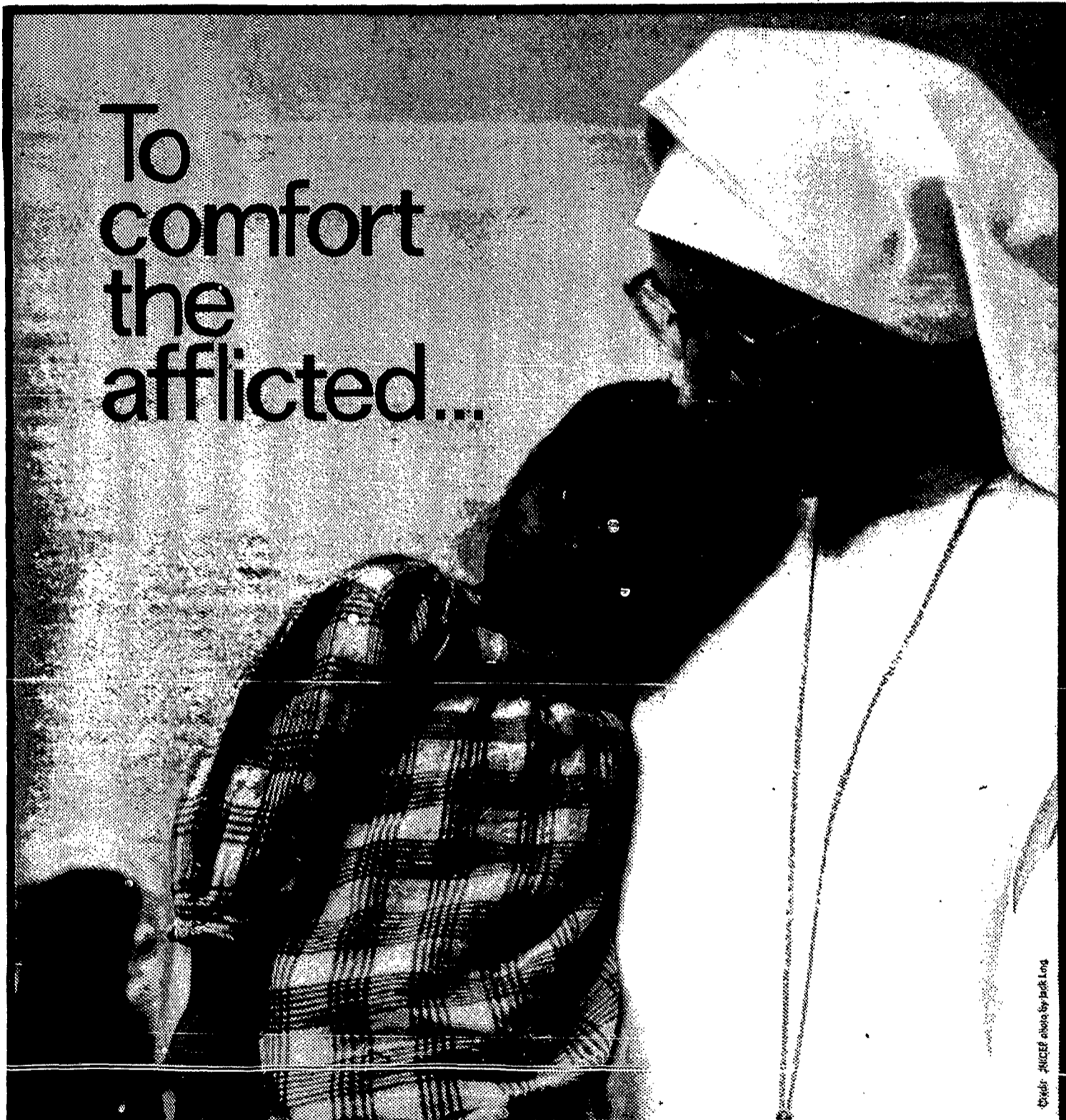
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