

The Slot Man

**Of Irishmen
And Kings**

By Carmen Viglucci



Joseph Halton of 54 Oakland St. has come across something which may be of interest and value to Irish history buffs or organizations.

Seems that way back in 1955, Halton bought a house on Bond Street in Rochester and while cleaning out the cellar found a scroll. He put it aside until recently when he got wondering about its significance.

It's 14 by 19 inches and engraved by Holbrook, St. Dublin, Ireland in 1846. It is entitled, at the bottom, "Chronology Tree of Irish History from First Invasion of the English to the Present Day."

Pictured on the scroll which is engraved in deep blue or green is a tree, the kind of illustration used by genealogists. On the trunk, limbs and branches are tiny script notations tracing the history of Ireland.

Such notations as "Catholics admitted to the Army and Navy, 1807" and "No papist to instruct another papist, 1700" pique the imagination. Near where the branches spread out is a beaming half-sun with the notation on it, "O'Connell born Aug. 6, 1775" — and a fine day, indeed, it was.

Also traced are the English kings over that time period.

And, of course, there are Irish family names galore from Ross to O'Donnell.

If it is not valuable monetarily it's still fascinating to pore over. Any interested organization should contact Halton.

Small world department. In a recent Courier-Journal there

ran a story describing Los Angeles Archbishop Timothy Manning's trip to Africa and mentioned Pat Speidel, a mission helper, who has delivered 3,000 babies in a clinic she started there.

Seems she grew up with Mrs. Jeanne Sweeney (wife of Dr. Thomas) in a small town near St. Louis, Mo. They also trained together at St. John's Hospital School of Nursing.

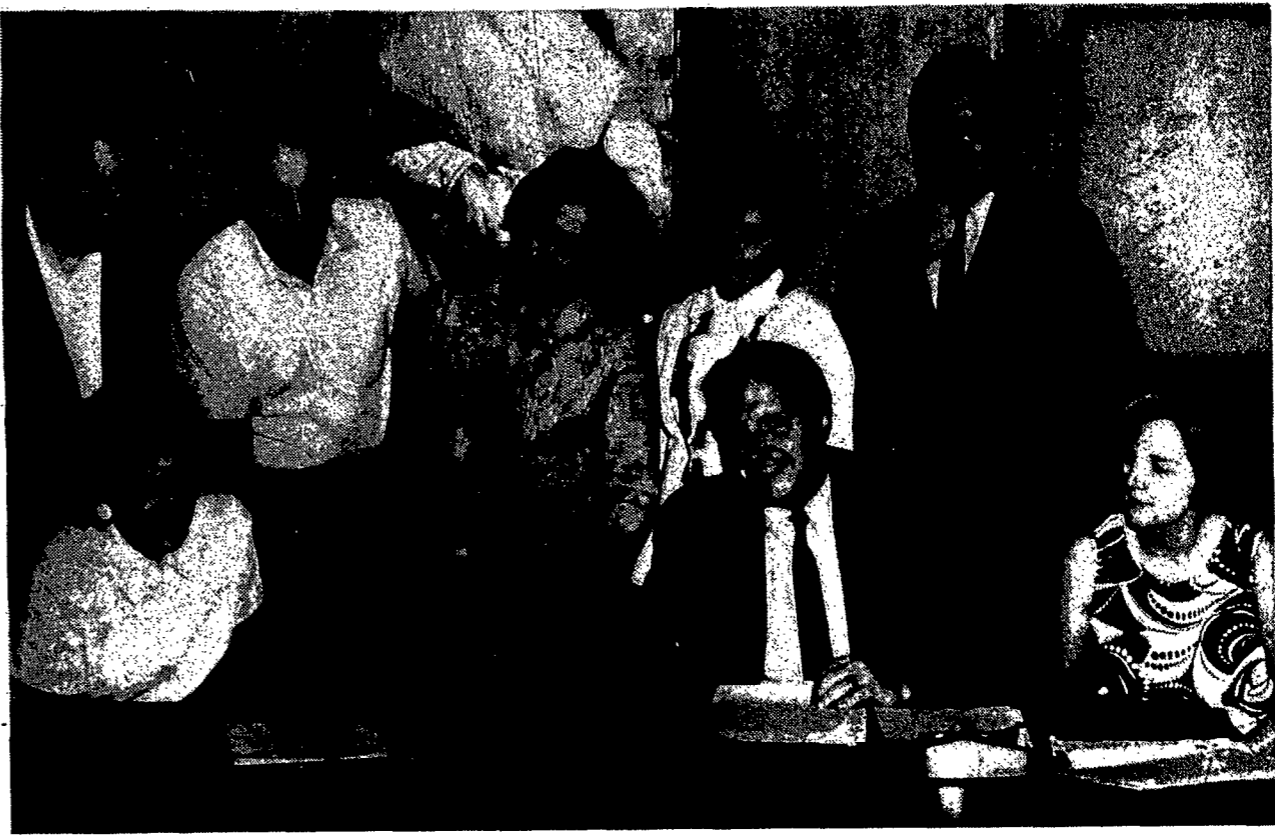
Mrs. Sweeney reports that Pat has a sister who is a Sister of St. Mary and who worked in a South American Mission and that the two "are merely carrying on the tradition of their mother who reared a large family but worked tirelessly and cheerfully for others."

Ah, the lessons learned at mother's knee.

A woman we know remarked that she thought the "sign of peace" was an integral part of Catholic liturgy, to be adapted to the "prevailing custom in the neighborhood."

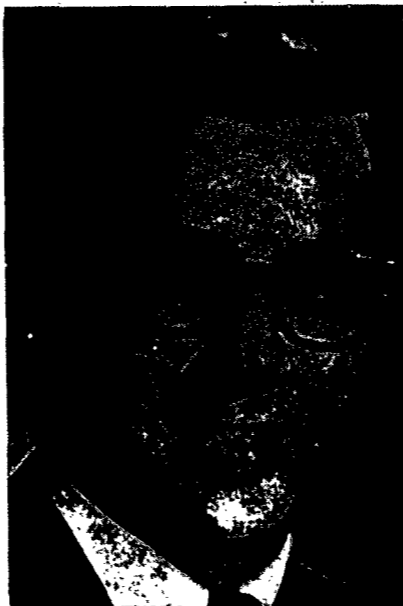
During Mass recently she realized, "Apparently in our parish it's the prevailing custom that neighbors don't speak to each other."

And how about this for a suggestion? When a church has a visiting Mass celebrant, why doesn't the pastor or assistant introduce him to the congregation, perhaps explaining what his fulltime duties are?



McQuaid High Parents Club Plans Program

Pictured planning year's program are officers of McQuaid Jesuit High School Parents Club. From left are: seated—Mrs. Thomas Presutti; Father William Poorten, SJ., moderator; William McDonnell, Mrs. Edwin Fleche; standing—John Doud, Richard Keeley, Mrs. Gerald Hanna, Mrs. Gerald Doran, Robert Edelman.



Edward L. Aleo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph P. Aleo of Rumson Road, has joined the faculty of Elmira College as director of the speech and hearing department. He recently received the Ph.D. degree in speech and hearing sciences from Ohio State University. He is a 1962 graduate of Aquinas Institute.

Crecco Named 'Man of Year'

Richard P. Crecco, 37, vice president and treasurer of Nunzio Crecco and Sons, home builders, has been named "Man of the Year" by the Italian War Veterans of Rochester.

John P. Lomenzo, New York's secretary of state, will present the association's award at a dinner Oct. 10 at the new Holiday Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Audino will be host and hostess. Patrick DiGennera is general chairman.

Crecco is past president of the Rochester Home Builders and president of the Musical Arts of Rochester. The announcement said he was chosen "for his numerous interests and activities in community affairs."

Cohocton Church Elects Council

Cohocton — Officers have been elected for a newly-organized parish council for St. Pius V Church here.

Elected for two-year terms on the council were Mrs. Evelyn Fahrenholz and Demerle Wise, and for one-year terms Lee Edmond, Paul Lynch and Ken Shanley. The council also will include the following because of the positions they hold in the parish corporation:

Samuel Burke and Albert Hubbard, trustees; William Feely and Edward Lauriha, auditors; Mrs. Doris Miller, president of the Rosary-Altar Society.

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Salting the Earth

Dedicated People

By Father John Hempel

In an effort to continue its program of going outside the city of Rochester, the Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation met in Perkinsville last week. Not only was it a rewarding meeting but it gave the group an opportunity to see Father Timothy Weider's operation at first hand. All were most impressed at seeing what had been done in establishing a medical-dental clinic, day-care center and nursery for disadvantaged peoples.

As the group's main concern was housing, the presentation by Fran Chin, of the Project Reach staff, was found to be most erudite and knowledgeable. He not only set forth most clearly the need for low-income self-help housing, but indicated an excellent grasp of its implementation. Already, one house of a five-house project is being built — and this for a family who for the last ten years have lived in the most degrading and physically tragic circumstances.

It is difficult to fully express my appreciation for Father Weider's efforts in carrying out his portion of the Secular Mission apostolate.

For the past three years he has struggled to build and maintain a whole new approach to the Church's concern for disadvantaged peoples, no matter what their religious background. His only criteria is that they be people suffering the social ills of our times. The

diocese owes him much for his dedication and perseverance in producing an example of what can be accomplished by a concerned priest.

It probably would be well here to indicate the efforts made by Father Jerry O'Connor in Geneva with regard to the Housing Foundation.

Even though he is a full-time associate at St. Thomas More parish, he has done much to relate to the Spanish-speaking people in Geneva. Recently he preached to the two parishes in Geneva on the Bishop Sheen Foundation. As a result he was able to organize a small group of interested Catholics around the housing issue. Now two houses will be made available to families who could not have managed without outside help. It is hoped that this type of concern could be a prototype of the Foundation's movement outside of Rochester.

The Bishop Sheen Housing Foundation has a past history of having done a great deal to house needy families. The approach of the reorganized foundation's traveling outside of the Rochester area demands a great deal of sacrifice for many on the board. Possibly in God's providence this sacrifice may be the occasion of an even greater influence for housing the poor in the diocese. At least, we are trying to do the right thing — Almighty God asks for no more.

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