



Mooney Girls Win CYO Tourney

Girls from Cardinal Mooney High School won the first annual Rochester Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) Invitational Volleyball Tournament. Eighty-six girls participated, including students from Mercy High, St. Agnes, St. Joseph's, Business, Marshall, Charlotte, Eastridge and Rush-Henrietta. Pictured with CYO-staffer Mrs. Betty Osborn (rear left) and their coach, Mrs. Marcia Niebek (rear right) are the winners: seated, Debbie Butler, kneeling (from left) Elaine Farrell, Mary Jo Beers, Kathy Van Allen, and standing, Pat Slyck, Michele Hank, Diane Whitehair and Laurie Kreuger.

Scholastic Notebook

If We Were In Section 5

By John Doser



The Section 5 public high school basketball tournament is just around the corner and again this year Rochester's diocesan teams will be watching from the stands.

It's not tough to figure how the Catholic schools from Rochester would fare. All four are AA so they'd be up against the big boys. Aquinas and Kearney would probably get by the first round or two before bowing out and Geneva DeSales might give some of the Class 'A' schools a good battle. Mooney and McQuaid probably wouldn't make the list.

Coach Jim Dolgos' Saints might be the darkhorse in the six-team Diocesan Tourney which for the lack of anything else to do runs parallel to the Section 5 thing. The Saints won eight of their first nine games.

Hottest shooter in the Catholic portion of the City-Catholic loop is Bishop Kearney's Mike Goonan. The 6-5 senior is scoring about 19 points per game for coach Carmen Urzetta.

Best effort at Cardinal Mooney is Danny Fannagot's 18 points per game; Aquinas has Brady Spetz at 14; McQuaid's tops is Gardner Odenbach at 12. DeSales' best is Bob Bree with 14.

Aquinas, coached by John Uralah, was the top scoring team in the C-C circuit with an offensive average of 75.8 points through its first 11 games.

Coach Bob Pederson's McQuaid icers, Aquinas and Pittsford are the front runners for the Monroe County Hockey League crown.

Not surprising when you figure the Knights have all their starters among the league's top dozen scorers. Start with V. J. Stanley, and John McTigue, Jim Bower, Bob Meng and Chips Quinn and you have 20 goals and 22 assists through McQuaid's first seven games.

Cardinal Mooney bowlers managed to hold on to top spot in the CBL despite missing the services of Lyle Beach, their No. 1 roller. Aquinas is just a few wins behind the Cards and

gets another crack at CM Feb. 18.

How about Cardinal JV pinster Pat Stack who fired 214. 167-211 — 592.

Bishop Kearney track and cross country performers are equally at home indoors or out. At the Syracuse Invitation Track and Field Championships at Syracuse University the Kings finished behind old nemesis CBA of the Salt City but brought home enough winners to shout about.

Rick Eichner won the mile with a BK record time of 4:29; Darrell Youngman won the 1,000-yard run after falling midway and making up 40 yards; and the BK relayers of Matt Staccone, Joe Kubly, Ed Krasieski and Tom Neary set a meet record of 3:39.7 in the medley relay with Neary setting a BK mark for his 1:59, final 880-leg.

Eichner was also one of seven soccer players in Section 5 to make the National Soccer Coaches Region II All-American Team. He's a halfback.

St. John Fisher finally has a football team — on paper — which will go the club route until it proves itself. New coach is Frank Petrus, a Fisher student and ex-assistant grid coach at Clyde Central, who hopes to schedule eight games this fall.

Aquinas backfield coach Walt Teike, better known as head wrestling coach at Spencerport High, was subject of an Upstate magazine feature recently. His Ranger grapplers went through their first seven matches without a loss.

Cardinal Mooney's wrestling success can be traced in part to Sam Tandoi who managed victories in his first 11 matches at the 134 pound level. Also unbeaten were Bernie Wegman and Paul Kane.

Nick Urzetta is a happy lad — he scored 37 points to set a St. Jerome school record in CYO basketball, as the East Rochester eagles dumped St. Louis of Pittsford, 63-51.

Father Geiger Dies, Holy Ghost Ex-Pastor

Mass of the Resurrection for Father Albert J. Geiger, pastor emeritus of Holy Ghost Church (Coldwater) in Gates, was celebrated Tuesday morning, Feb. 2, in Holy Ghost Church.

Father Geiger, 74, died Friday, Jan. 29, in St. Mary's Hospital, where he had been since Jan. 6. He had suffered from diabetes and a heart condition.

Bishop Hogan was scheduled to celebrate the funeral Mass, and Father Francis Kleehammer, a long-time friend of Father Geiger, was to preach the eulogy.

Father Geiger is survived by a sister, Mrs. Joseph (Mary) Hempel of Rochester; two brothers, Herman F. Geiger of Los Angeles and Frederick A., of Burbank, Calif., and several nieces and nephews.

He was one of the area's most enthusiastic alumni of the former Rochester Cathedral High School, and had been president of its alumni association for many years.

During 18 years as assistant pastor of Holy Redeemer Church in Rochester, Father Geiger helped found and direct the Aljo Club, a social and athletic organization for high school boys. It was one of the most popular youth groups in the late 1920s and the 1930s, and provided recreational programs for hundreds of teenagers.

The name of the non-sectarian club was derived from the first two letters of the first names of Father Geiger and Joseph Stoecklein, a layman co-founder.

During his quarter-century pastorate at Holy Ghost, the number of families grew from 60 to more than 1,000. The parochial school, which had only three classrooms, now has eight and a library and playground. A new convent for the School Sisters of Notre Dame was erected to replace a small and inadequate one.

Father Geiger redecorated the church, renovated the rectory and parish hall, expanded the cemetery and parking area, and purchased 12 additional acres for future expansion.

Of jovial character, Father Geiger loved to sing, and particularly relished solo or group renditions of German and Irish music.

He was born in Dansville May 3, 1896, and attended St. Mary's School there. After graduation from Cathedral High he attended St. Andrew's and St. Bernard's Seminaries.

Sr. Mary Ellen, Principal At Lourdes

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated Monday at Our Lady of Lourdes for Sister Mary Ellen Dundon, SSJ., who had been principal of the parish school since 1963. She died Jan. 28, 1971.

Sister Mary Ellen, who entered the convent in 1938, was one of the founders of the Rochester community's mission in Selma, Ala. Later, she taught at Nazareth Academy and Immaculate Conception School, Rochester; DeSales High School in Geneva and Nazareth College summer school. She served on various diocesan committees and was a delegate recently to her community's general chapter. She was a native of Buffalo.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Gerard Reimondo of Williamsville and Mrs. William Byrne of Birmingham, Mich.; four brothers, Joseph Dundon of Kenmore; Francis and Robert of Buffalo, and Paul Dundon, Pittsburgh.

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Deaths Earle Sharpe

Mass of the Resurrection was offered Jan. 20 at St. Michael's for Earl Sharpe a lifelong member of the parish who died Jan. 17, 1971.

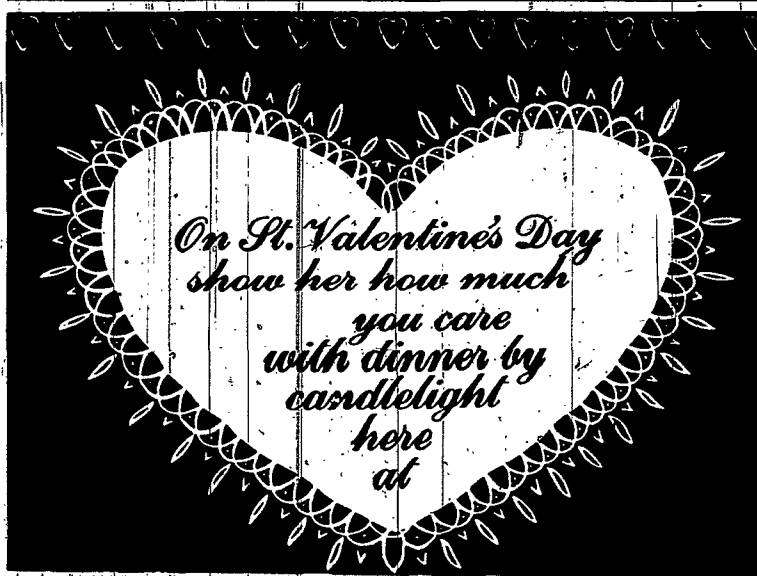
He had been associated for 35 years with L. W. Maier's Sons Funeral home. He was a graduate of St. Andrew's Seminary and had been a trustee and usher at St. Michael's.

Survivors include his widow, Thelma; two sisters, Mrs. Walter Gordinier and Mrs. Dale Hiler, and nieces and nephews.



New Priest with His Family

Father Vincent G. Wissman, CSP, Paulist who was ordained in New York City Jan. 16, is pictured with his family at reception following Mass he celebrated Jan. 24 in St. George Church, Rochester. They are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Wissman of Weyl Street, and his brother, Daniel (left), of Avenue D. Father Wissman has been assigned to St. Patrick's Church, Memphis, Tenn.



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