



## Noh!

### Japanese Drama Due

The Noh, classic Japanese theater, and Kyogen, comedy, will be performed at Nazareth Arts Center in the traditional Japanese manner on Tuesday, March 9 at 8:15 p.m.

Created in the 14th century, Noh is the oldest living theater in Japan. It is a symbolic play in which the deepest sorrow of mankind is described.

Kyogen, created about the same time as Noh, served as a contrast to Noh and was played between the Noh plays. While Noh uses the language of the warriors and aristocracy and is composed in rhyme, the Kyogen is based on the ordinary conversation of the common people and deals with universal subjects of humor.

The actors are all male even though some play female roles.

## All-Strauss Program Skillfully Done

By FRANK CROCIATA

For the 11th Philharmonic concert, last Thursday evening "musical adviser" Walter Hendl built an all-Richard Strauss program around the autobiographical tone poem "Ein Heldenleben" (A Hero's Life). The performances indicated, as always, that for a guiding force of orchestral mastery we can rely on Dr. Hendl's flawless podium technique and unerring musicianship.

"Hero's Life" is a favorite composition of Hendl, as it was Hendl's teacher Fritz Reiner, who not incidentally was a pupil of Strauss. It seems, in fact, to be the choice among the more fanatical Straussites of all the tone poems. I'm still not really convinced by it.

The poem is a huge (and long) mural, masterfully constructed and cleverly orchestrated. "Heldenleben" contains the kinds of contrapuntal and canonic passages that have been the orchestra's besetting problem: The players don't listen to each other, as they must if they are to keep their individual lines in accord with one another. Under Hendl's skillful direction the orchestra began to play in terms of melodic strands rather than their usual "note-to-note" playing.

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They wear priceless masks and elaborate costumes of old Japan. They dance, act and sing to the accompaniment of a chorus and ancient instruments.

The significance of the action of Noh, the verse and the music are purposely designed to "open the ear of the mind," while the miming and dancing awaken the emotions of the spectator and "open his eyes" to that beauty denoted by the word "yugen" the goal and the essential element of all Japanese aesthetics.

Apart from its artistic and dramatic significance, the Noh drama is of historical interest, reflecting as perhaps no other Japanese work does, "the feelings, thoughts, beliefs, superstitions, aspirations and the moral and intellectual life" of the Japanese people.

Excellent solo work was heard from the brass, particularly from tuba player Cherry Beauregard, and also from french hornist Morris Secon.

The program opened with "Till Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks," delightfully concise, and given an accurate and spirited reading by Dr. Hendl.

The major annoyance of the evening was the program itself. "Till" is a masterpiece, the Rosenkavalier Waltzes a delight, and "Heldenleben" is undeniably a work of considerable importance. But together on a single program Strauss' blaring brass wears very thin, and he begins to emerge as the non-hero his biographers suggest.

### Cheerleaders

#### Compete March 15

The annual cheerleading competition sponsored by the CYO is scheduled for Saturday, March 15, in the auditorium at 50 Chestnut St., Rochester. March 4 is the registration deadline.

Defending champions are teams from St. Margaret Mary parish, Rochester, and St. Alphonsus, Auburn.

## Matmen Head For Tourney At LeMoyne

Something new in Catholic high school sports — an inter-diocesan wrestling tournament — gets its first production this Saturday at LeMoyne College.

Twenty-four wrestlers, two in each weight class, from Rochester, Buffalo, and Albany dioceses will join the host Syracuse diocese for the competition.

Rochester representatives qualified in Catholic Invitationals at McQuaid High last week. A veteran squad from Notre Dame of Elmira made a shambles of the semi-final round by advancing all eight of its survivors to the finals and wrapping up the first-place trophy.

Leading the way in the inter-diocesan meet will be Notre Dame's 141-pounder, Brian Carlton, who won outstanding wrestler honors by defeating previously unbeaten Larry Tandoi of Mooney via a last-period pin in the finals.

Besides Carlton and Tandoi, the squad will be: 101—Kevin Brophy (ND), Mike O'Connell (BK); 108—Pat Coughlin (BK), Kevin McInerney (ND); 115—Bob Quattarone (ND), Rick Caschette (McQ); 122—Rick Barry (BK), Ray Simmons (CM); 129—Tom McInerney (ND), Jerry Oberst (BK); 135—Jack Connelly (ND), Sam Tandoi (CM); 148—Bernie Wegman (CM); Jim Guinan (McQ); 158—John Keating (ND), John Dowd (McQ); 170—Emad Faddoul (ND), Gary Pudup (McQ); 180—Bill Wilcox (BW), Jim Segerson (McQ); Hwt — Dennis Cunningham (BW), Tom Ryan (McQ).

## FIND HUMAN NEEDS, VOLUNTEERS URGED

Auburn—Teamwork between public and private charitable agencies makes social service programs more effective, Father William Charbonneau told United Fund volunteers here last week.

The diocesan Catholic Charities director addressed the 48th annual meeting of the Cayuga County fund organization.

The function of such organizations is to "find the human needs in the community and meet them," he pointed out.

About 100 persons attended the dinner. Wilbur L. Townsend was elected president to succeed Dr. Frank L. DeFurio.

## Xerox Exhibit Drew 45,000

The biology exhibit at Xerox Square closed last Sunday and will go on tour in this country and Canada.

The show, entitled Therefore I Am, drew more than 45,000 visitors in 17 months, Xerox reported. The exhibition hall will be refurbished during the next two months for a new series.

## School Crisis To Be Aired

Hopeful signs for easing the crises threatening parochial schools will be discussed by Father Daniel Brent, diocesan superintendent of schools, and Father Richard Tormey on WHAM at 6:45 p.m. next Sunday, March 7.

Father Tormey, director of the Communications Office of the diocese, produces the news-commentary program called "God in the Headlines" every Sunday evening on WHAM. He will question Father Brent about rising registrations in the school system, recommendations of the Task Force and hopes for state aid for parents of school children.

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## Development Fund Deadline March 15

March is the deadline for all proposals for the appropriation of funds collected in the Human Development Fund in November. Father John Hempel, diocesan director announced this week.

"We have received a good number of proposals or letters of intent from groups in Monroe, Wayne and Steuben counties, particularly. But we want to alert the entire diocese that our local closing date is March 15."

Proposals received so far for use of the \$32,000 remaining in the diocese from the \$130,000 collected have included: self-help low-income housing plans, cooperative housing, establishment of a day-care center, formation of credit union; setting up a child development center and a child-family care center.

Types of organizations whose proposals have come before the Monroe Wayne Task Force are: Action for a Better Community, Project Uplift of the Rochester Urban League, Ibero-American Action League, Western Monroe County Project, Self-Help Housing in Marion and Community Center in Ontario.

Project Reach in Steuben County and Ontario-Yates Mi-

## 2 Churches Schedule Special Lenten Services

St. Patrick's Victor, and St. Nicholas, Rochester are sponsoring special discussion programs during Lent.

St. Patrick's will begin the first of a series of Lenten information lectures at 8 p.m. Thursday (March 4) in the religion school. Father Joseph Fitzpatrick, professor of Moral Theology, Darlington, N.J., will speak on "Morality in the Seventies."

Subsequent lectures will take place every other Thursday evening.

Sister Dorothy Schleuter, staff psychologist at Rochester General Hospital will discuss "Psychology Beyond Conscience" on March 18; on April 1, Father Richard Tormey, diocesan director of communications, will explore the topic, "Morality and Films."

On the evenings of March 11 and March 18, parish panels will review the previous week's lecture.

On Saturday, Feb. 27, Bishop John McCafferty was first guest speaker in a series of Saturday ecumenical luncheons sponsored jointly by St. Patrick's and three Victor Protestant churches.

Future luncheon talks will feature Bishop Edward K. Perry, President, Upper New York Synod of the Lutheran Church, March 6, at St. Pat-

### Play Features

#### Teachers

#### As Teachers

Three members of the St. Agnes High School faculty will take part in the drama club's production of Bright Girl, a play with a prep school background. Performances are scheduled for March 12 and 13.

Nancy Damiano will play the title role. Her stage classmates include Mary Jo Magee, Valerie Evans, Debby Laganella and Kathy Nicoletta. Sisters Anne Virginia, Alice McLaughlin and Carol Cimino will portray teachers.

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Catholic students at Monroe Community College	\$166
Students at Becket Hall	248

grant Committee have also forwarded suggestions for spending.

The five Task Forces, made up of clergy and laity and poor, are completely responsible for allocating monies in their area. This includes soliciting the proposals, reviewing them for decision and following through after appropriations are made.

Father Hempel requests that all proposals be sent to the Office of Human Development, 50 Chestnut Street, Rochester, 14604.

rick's; Rev. Diane Tennis, moderator, Presbytery of the Genesee Valley, March 13, at Victor First United Methodist Church; Rev. Raymond Fedje, pastor, Assumption Methodist Church, Rochester, March 20, at St. John's Lutheran Church.

St. Patrick's also is sponsoring Thursday morning discussion sessions on the "Church and the Modern World." The sessions, aimed at housewives and mothers, will provide free babysitting.

Ken Sarkis, junior high teacher at Our Lady of Lourdes school, will inaugurate St. Nicholas' Lenten discussion service with a talk, "Jesus Christ—Superstar" on Friday, March 5, at 8 p.m.

Subsequent Friday evening topics and speakers at St. Nicholas will be:

March 12: "Prayer"—Father Edward Callens, spiritual director, St. Bernard's seminary.

March 19: "Redemption and the Paschal Mystery"—Father Albert Shamon, diocesan vicar of education.

March 26: "Jesus, the Whole Man"—Rev. Marvin Chandler, associate executive director of the Rochester Area Council of Churches.

April 2: "Byzantine Liturgy"—Rev. Athanasius Hassey, pastor, St. Nicholas church.

## Aquinas Guard Triumphs over 15

The Aquinas Institute Color Guard walked off with top honors at Greece Arcadia High School Feb. 21. The competition was sponsored by the Greece Cadets.

Led by Captain Tom Albright, Aquinas compiled a score of 90.15 to edge out the Tri-Town Cadets of Castile, N.Y. and fifteen other competing guards. Drummer for the Irish is Mike Fullam.

### PRAYER DAY AT ST. ROSE

Lima — The World Day of Prayer service for women of this area will be in St. Rose Church, at 1 p.m. Friday, March 5. The Rev. Harold VanHorn of Lima Presbyterian Church will speak.