

Dorothy Day III, Misses Conference

By PAT BOLAND

Elmira — Editor and social activist Dorothy Day failed to make a scheduled appearance



MISS RAPELEWSKI

Elmira Girl Named 1972 'Miss Hope'

Gail Rapelewski has been named "Miss Hope 1972 of Monroe County" in the annual competition sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

Miss Rapelewski, 19, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon A. Rapelewski of Elmira. A graduate of Notre Dame High School in Elmira, she is a member of the 1973 nursing class at Genesee Hospital in Rochester.

Named alternate is Donna DeGeorge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel DeGeorge, 298 Wellington Road, Webster. A graduate of R. L. Thomas High School, Miss DeGeorge is also 19 and a nursing classmate of Miss Rapelewski at Genesee Hospital.

The girls, who both developed an interest in nursing as youngsters, look forward to the New York State "Miss Hope" finals which this year take place in Rochester. Miss Hope 1972 of New York State will be named on Friday, March 24, during the state's 1972 Cancer Crusade Kick-Off at the Holiday Inn Downtown.

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at the prayer and social action meeting held at Watson Homestead by the area Christian Formation Board on March 3-4.

It was announced that Miss Day had been hospitalized with a heart condition. She is co-founder of the Catholic Worker Movement and editor of the Catholic Worker newspaper.

Addressing the conference on "Prayer and a New Social Order," Brother David, OSB, of Mount Saviour Monastery in Elmira spoke in her stead about the different kinds of prayer and their meaning. Brother David, originally from Vienna, has done work in archeology, psychology, art and Zen Buddhism.

Father Sebastian Falcone, OFM, from St. Bernard's Seminary in Rochester, spoke as scheduled about finding a basis in Scripture for social action. He said the purpose of the meeting was to build a bridge from the community of the faithful to the community of the needy.

The conference was the fourth in a series sponsored by the Christian Formation Board, to further its purpose of religious education of people in the community. Conferences in this program are held every six months at Watson Homestead and are open to the public.

Approximately 190 people registered for the weekend of lecture and prayer.

Waverly CDA Helps Students

Waverly—Two young women from St. James parish have been awarded scholarships by Court Joan of Arc, Catholic Daughters of America.

The \$100 grants went to Mary Anne Barnes, a nursing student at Niagara University, and Mary Ellen McClernon, who attends Notre Dame High School in Elmira. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. George Barnes of Providence St. and Mr. and Mrs. Donald McClernon of Broad St.

Mrs. Richard Croft, scholarship chairman, made the announcement for the organization and Mrs. Harry Schreck, grand regent.

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Deaths

Mrs. Furlong

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated last Wednesday at Holy Rosary for Gertrude Hughes Furlong, who died Feb. 27, 1972, at the age of 92.

Mrs. Furlong, a former radio writer and performer, was the widow of Henry M. Furlong.

Her family settled in Rochester in 1834, and her grandparents, Margaret and Michael L. Hughes, were the first lay teachers in parish schools here.

Mrs. Furlong was educated at Sacred Heart Academy, Loreto Academy in Toronto and the Toronto Conservatory of Music and Dramatic Art.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Ira Newberry, Mrs. Norbert Baglin, Mrs. Gordon Walker, Mrs. Edward H. Loughlin and Mrs. Robert E. Englert; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Rosary Society at Holy Rosary Church and the Daily Mass League.

Sr. Catherine

Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated yesterday at the St. Joseph Motherhouse chapel for Sister Catherine Marie Riley, who died Sunday March 5, 1972, after a long illness.

Sister Catherine Marie taught in schools of the diocese for 40 years, retiring in 1962. She was an experienced, certified teacher when she entered the order in 1921, and she later earned a bachelor's degree at Nazareth College. She was born in Shongo, Allegany County.

Her last assignment was at Ss. Peter and Paul, Elmira. She taught also at St. Augustine, St. Ambrose and St. Bridget schools in Rochester; St. Francis de Sales, Geneva, and in Dansville and Seneca Falls.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Margaret French of Washington, D.C., and several nieces and nephews.

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Social Action Course Set Up for Sisters

A ten week course is being offered for Sisters wishing to be informed of and involved in a community ministry.

The Office of Human Development is working with the social concern committee of the Sisters' Council in planning and implementing a Sisters' Involvement Program.

Approximately 30 sisters attended three introductory sessions in February which included a talk given by Father Charles Mulligan, director of the Human Development Office, on the topic of the theological approach to involvement.

Sisters Annette Truby of the Office of Human Development said that the nuns who attended the introductory sessions felt they had gained a lot, but were still somewhat confused. "The idea of social involvement or community organizing is all very nebulous until you are actually involved in it," Sister Annette said.

"The program is not intended to make the sisters change their work, but to do what they are doing better," she continued. "There are a lot of places religious women can be effective. A lot of the people on welfare are women, and men that are in jail leave women and children in need. Also, they could be involved with the elderly."

The program will be directed by John Skvorak of the Center for Community Research, an organization which offers technical assistance to groups in the Model City area. Father Peter Bayer of St. Francis Xavier and Sister Annette Truby are working with Skvorak.

Among the sisters that have registered for the course are teachers, hospital staff, and social workers. Another introductory session will be held March 11 at St. Stephen's, Geneva, for sisters outside the metropolitan Rochester area.



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