

Chemung School Budget \$487,500

By DICK BAUMBACH

Elmira — The Chemung County Catholic School Board's proposed 1972 budget is \$487,500. That's \$6,000 more than the school system believes it will take in from revenues.

Confronted with the \$6,000 deficit the school board recently pared \$2,600 listed in the miscellaneous category to the budget.

The proposed budget is \$37,130 over this year's budget. School officials listed among the reasons for the increase higher salaries and associated costs.

V. Thomas Agan, school board president, explained one of the extra new costs saying the board had approved payment of family Blue Cross-Blue Shield programs for all employees who are heads of households. No overall



dollar amount was available, but the cost will amount to approximately \$225 per year for each employe involved.

There are 67 teachers, including nuns, employed by the school system, which is in its first year of a consolidated school program.

The board also included in the proposed budget a full time gym teacher and two teacher aides at St. Patrick's Regional Junior High School.

Revenues for the operation of the consolidated school system

are expected to be made from parish allotments, savings made throughout the past school year and some \$25,000 in unanticipated state aid in the form of mandated services funds.

The \$25,000 was received last year by the school system, but has been held in anticipation of this year's budget.

The school system also will hold a spring campaign for additional funds to purchase a new school bus. Currently the district owns three second-hand buses. They are managed under contract with a local bus operator.

The school board will hold another session Thursday to try to pare another \$3,400 to bring it in line with revenues.

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Public Hearings Called On Fleischmann Report

Hearings will be held on the Fleischmann Committee report on "The Quality, Cost and Financing of Elementary and Secondary Education" on Tuesday, May 9 at Nazareth College Arts Center, 4245 East Ave., 2-6 p.m. and 7-10 p.m.

Mrs. Kenneth T. Power, a member of the State Board of Regents, will preside, with resource people from the Fleischmann Commission and the State Education Department in attendance. A short summary of the report will be presented at 2 p.m. and again at 7.

The reactions of community leaders in business, industry, and education will be sought, as well as the public and the various voluntary organizations of the nine-county region served by the Central Western Regional Office for Educational Planning. This office serves Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Wyoming and Yates counties.

Persons interested in making an oral or written report may write to the regional office at 130 Allens Creek Rd., Rochester, 14618, or telephone (716) 244-3590.

Dr. Abramson To Be Speaker

Elmira — The president of the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation will be the main speaker May 7 at the dedication of the Southern Tier Institute of Rehabilitation and Emergency-Outpatient Facilities area at St. Joseph's Hospital here.

Dr. Arthur S. Abramson, the academy president, will be joined on the dais by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan and golf professional Arnold Palmer.

Dr. Abramson is professor and chairman of the Department of Rehabilitation Medicine at Albert Einstein College of Medicine at Yeshiva University.

St. Charles Officers Elected

Elmira Heights — Officers have been elected and committee chairman appointed by the Altar and Rosary Society of St. Charles Borromeo Church here.

The new president of the group is Mrs. Audrey B. Link. She and other officials will be installed in September. All terms are for two years.

Other officers are Mrs. James H. Brown, vice president; Mrs. Camille Morrioni, secretary and Mrs. John Dickinson, treasurer.

New committee chairmen are Mrs. Gordon Barr, clerical; Mrs. Joseph Lyden, literature; Mrs. Kay Stackowski, bingo; Mrs. Dorothy Keenig, social; Mrs. Richard Wilson, cleaning; Mrs. James Weigle, publicity; Mrs. Marguerita Corsi, Sacred Heart; Mrs. Mary Jurusik, Sewing; Mrs. Anthony Angelo, calling; Mrs. George Grannis, visiting, and Mrs. Richard Dempsey, Christian mothers.

Deaths

M. F. Hafner

The Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on April 21, 1972, at St. Thomas the Apostle Church for Maurice F. Hafner, 71, of 10 Couchman Ave. Irondequoit. He was president of Hafner Home Laundry, Inc.

Concelebrants included Msgr. Richard K. Burns, Father John Whalen, Father John Morgan, Father Gerard Hafner, his son, and several of his classmates and friends.

Bishop John E. McCafferty gave the blessing. Bishop James E. Kearney was in the sanctuary.

Sister Linda

The Mass of the Resurrection for Sister Linda Vernetti, of the Sisters of St. Joseph, was celebrated in the Motherhouse Chapel on Saturday morning, April 15, 1972 by Father Frank Lioi, with Father Michael Cerretto, CSB concelebrant.

Mr. Hafner was a member of the Men's Club of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Notre Dame Retreat League, active member of the Legion of Mary, Nocturnal Adoration Society, and the Alhambra.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; his daughter, Maryann; three sons, Rev. M. Gerard Hafner of Our Lady of Mercy, Joseph F. and James Paul Hafner; four grandchildren; three sisters: Mrs. Frank (Marion) Bertsch of Seminole, Florida, Dorothy Hafner and Mrs. Paul (Joseph) Cooke of Rochester; also several nieces and nephews.

Sister Linda had been a teacher in the Catholic schools of the diocese for twenty years. Her last teaching assignment was in St. Monica School from 1966-69 on the junior high level. At that time she was known in religion as Sister Uriel.

Earlier assignments included St. Agnes High School, Holy Apostles School and Immaculate Conception in Rochester, Holy Trinity, Webster, and St. Stephen's, Geneva.

In the early years of her religious life she was the bookkeeper at Good Samaritan Hospital in Selma, Alabama. From 1969 until a few months ago she was engaged in social work at St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira.

Sister Linda was born in the Bronx and entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1942. She earned a baccalaureate degree from Nazareth College in 1943.

FIRST COMMUNION

Six children in the special CCD program at St. Ambrose Center received their First Holy Communion last Saturday at a Mass celebrated by Father Thomas Burr. Mentally handicapped children from seventeen parishes are taught at St. Ambrose.

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Your prayers and your offering, which together tell of your love, aid the Church in those places in the world where people cannot survive without outside help. In those places there is a Springtime for the faith at the present time.

A letter from Africa will tell you what I mean.

"Just having returned from a three week trek out in the bush, I'm utterly exhausted," my missionary friend writes, "but I'm refreshed inside me for the vigor and growth of the Church everywhere is simply beautiful to behold."

Truly, there is a Springtime of new Life breaking forth in the world today, and the newness of this Life is humanity's hope for the future! Africa, Asia and Oceania are experiencing the arrival of Christ in a way that can be seen and felt, in a way that is both believable and lovable.

The servants of the Church are bringing His Word, are offering His salvation, are serving where there is need — this is a Springtime of new Life.

We need a Springtime too, and one way is to allow the beauty and freshness of the Missions to get back to us — to tell us that what's occurring on distant continents is Christ's plan for making all things young and new in Himself, unfolding in new places in the lives of new people.

It was in such a spirit that the Society for the Propagation of the Faith was founded in the Spring of 1822, and has blossomed out worldwide during its 150 years. Its present day structure and purpose is a practical means for individuals to contribute to the most needy mission areas in the world; to bring help to those missionaries and poor people who literally depend on outside charity to realize the "springtime of life" which only Christ can give.

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