

Bus of Cornell Bible students at St. Mary's, Corning.

Cornell Bible students arrive on bus to help.



Auburn cleanup crew takes off early in the day for trip

Long-Distance Neighbors Charter Buses to Corning

By MARY ANN GINNERTY

Auburn - Area people have been making day trips by chartered bus to Corning, to help clean up that water-soaked, mud-caked village located about 80 miles off to the southwest.

Armed with shovels, brooms and their own food and water, volunteers began work initially in the homes of the elderly on one of the hardest hit streets in Corning.

The first group July 1 consisted of Boy Scouts from Weedsport, Sisters from area convents, and Auburn men, youths, and several women. Although it was initially felt the volunteers would be limited to men to handle heavy cleaning, women joined in. Volunteers increased daily and eight trips were planned.

The trips were organized by Father John Mulligan of St. Mary's and Father Lewis Brown of St. Alphonsus. The volunteers

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were met at St. Patrick's in Corning by a representative of Father Timothy Weider, who is coordinating diocesan efforts in Corning.

The lack of water and cleaning supplies hampered clean-up at first, but limited electric and water services have since been restored. Area residents unable to make the trip contributed cleaning supplies.

Ithacans Pitch In

By JOY CHALONE

Ithaca — Area organizations, townspeople, businesses, college students, and teenagers are responding vigorously and wholeheartedly to the flood victims of the Southern Tier. FISH, ACT and its subsidiary divisions, The Bib n Tucker and The Kitchen Cupboard) are pooling their resources and man-

Every day a busload (sometimes two) of workers, armed with shovels, food, clothing, cleaning materials leaves Immaculate Conception School at 8 a.m. It returns around 6 p.m. with fired, muddy, "taken" faces, ready and planning to re-

Father David Mura, assistant pastor at Immaculate Conception Parish, coordinates these efforts, with the able assistance of Mrs. Joyce MacDowell (FISH) and Mrs. Eleanor Parker (ACT), and Joan Loehr and the Leon Stranger family.

Private cars of volunteers also are sent. St. James Parish, Trumansburg, St. Catherine of Siena, Ithaca and St. Anthony, Groton, plus others have volunteered and were sent. On the 4th of July 100 college students from Cornell, "The Campus Crusades for Christ," piled onto the buses, donated by Crispell Bus Service, Ithaca. Besides manpower, Bishop's Hardware, Ithaca, donated shovels, Babcock's and Cornell donate eggs to the Salvation Army for Elmira-Corning victims, and Cornell Laundry, Ithaca, is doing St. Joseph's Hospital's muddy laundry. Five cases of coffee were donated, many anonymous individuals continue to give money, cleaning materials, clothing.

Father Mura reports that the first busload consisted of 15 teenagers. They sorted thousands of canned goods, brought

in from all over to Elmira's Salvation Army. The next day this group had grown to 40. They shoveled mud out of cellars, washed grass off of ceilings, helped deliver food to victims via the canteen trucks from the Salvation Army, moved and tried to salvage furniture, washed walls, dishes and generally scraped mud off of anything and

K of C Offers Aid To Members Hit by Flood

Knights of Columbus all over New York state will assist fellow Knights who suffered property loss in the flood that devastated the Southern Tier.

"If you have suffered any loss. of property or personal belong-ings due to the flood you are requested to communicate with District Deputy Francis H. Sally at your earliest convenience, an appeal issued recently reads.

The object of the appeal is to assess how many members are in need so a collection can be taken among members in areas of the state that were not hit.

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