



ALL IN THE FAMILY Sarah Child

It is an interesting experience to watch a tract take shape.

New neighbors move in on the average of once a week or so it seems.

What was mud becomes grass over night and the yawning hole that is a child hazard on Monday is a three-bedroom split by Thursday.

When we were first married and were looking for a house I had wanted no part of a housing tract.

"No individuality," I said, "no privacy, no freedom to do what you like without worrying about the effect on those around you."

In ten years time I obviously have changed my mind. I not only like being a neighbor, I think it would be impossible for me to live as a housewife without other women around to share at least some of the quiet moments of the day.

I have learned that individuality is not a matter of externals, that privacy must not be confused with isolation and that there is no place on earth where our freedom to live as we choose is not limited.

At the same time I have learned to enjoy wholeheartedly the feeling that must be something akin to what pioneers to any new area must feel.

There is no formality about meeting one another. You are more likely to become acquainted with the parents of your children's friends faster than you would have otherwise. And a Spring evening walk around the oval is likely to net several new acquaintances.

Most of your neighbors, after putting together a down payment, are in the same boat as you are — financially cramped and with expectations for being so for some time.

One unexpected pleasure has come from the yard. I had always dreaded the prospect of moving into a tree-less, shrub-less piece of land. But, it has been a joy to choose what goes into our yard rather than living with somebody else's choices as we have always done before.

And finally there is the knowledge that while you are living with interrupted telephone service, a mud tracked house, and the ever present sight and sound of large machinery, so is everyone else.

New Approach For Police

Gallina, N.M. [RNS] — Prayer instead of litigation was a New Mexico state policeman's solution to one assault case.

Officer Clarence Filip persuaded persons involved in the altercation to go to a church together and join in discussion and then prayer.

"I left them alone to talk," the officer said, "and they came out of church smiling."

The case involved a teacher and two women who allegedly assaulted her.

DONKEYBALL

Local celebrities will play Donkeyball Sunday June 10 at 3 p.m. at Norton Village Playground. All proceeds from admissions to the game will go to the Rochester/Finger Lakes Chapter of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.



May Queen

Mary Pat Kircher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kircher of Arlington Dr., Pittsford, was the May Queen for recent ceremonies honoring Mary at Our Lady of Mercy High School. Bishop James E. Kearney presided at a Mass which Father Anthony Valente, chaplain, celebrated. A crowning of a statue of Mary was held both in the school auditorium and at an outdoor grotto.

KEEPING TABS

The people of St. Stephen's, Geneva, will hold a basket picnic Sunday afternoon in Seneca Lake State Park, Pavillion 1. Mr. and Mrs. John Bruno are chairmen.

The Eagle Press, a school newspaper put out by pupils in grades 4-8 at St. Agnes, Avon, received a special citation at the annual Press Day at St. Bonaventure University.

The Holy Name of Mary Society at St. Stanislaus will install officers at 6 p.m. June 11 and have a picnic supper afterward.

The 13th Seton Branch will meet Tuesday noon, June 12, at The Mill, Honeoye Falls. Hostesses will be Mrs. Clement Hanss and Mrs. Henry Lenhard.

The Catholic Mission Guild will meet at 1 p.m. June 14 at 513 Monroe. A board meeting will precede the regular session.

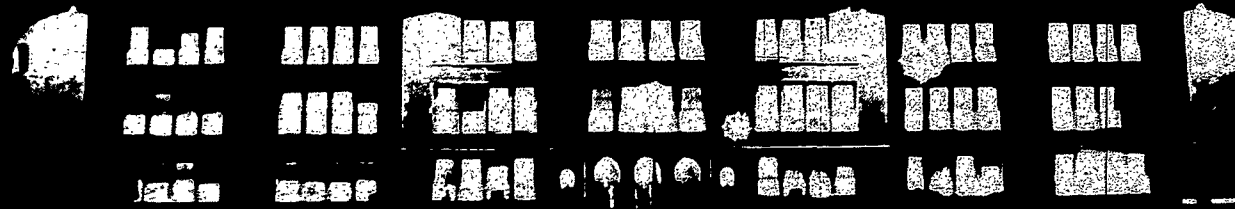
Court Our Lady of the Cenacle, CDA held a banquet June 6 at Tavern-on-the-Mall. Mrs. Andrew Mefoni was chairman.

The Notre Dame Women's Organization closes its season with a "favorite foods" tureen luncheon this noontime at the home of Mrs. Gene Yurgealitis, 9 Sassafra, Pittsford. Mrs. Thomas Hoffend and Mrs. John Wheeler are co-chairmen.

BALLET AT FISHER

The Mercury Ballet Company will perform at St. John Fisher College on Thursday, June 7 at 7:30 p.m. in Kearney Auditorium. The lecture-demonstration is free and open to the public.

God is not dead - nor is Aquinas.



...that Aquinas will not be here for a long time. ... So if you hear anyone say Aquinas is dead, tell them to drive up Dewey Avenue, day or night. When they see the sign, they'll know Aquinas is alive and well.

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