

THE SLOT MAN

Convent Vigil

The Courier-Journal editorialized last week on what I think is one of the most appropriate pieces of prose devised by the Congress of the United States since colonial days.

Rex Schaeffer, head librarian of the Gannett Newspapers in Rochester, first clued me in on a resolution calling for a National Day of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer for April 30.

Schaeffer, not a Catholic, thought enough of this resolution to express hope that the Courier-Journal, which is the foremost religious outlet in this part of the state, would spread its ideology to its readers.

He is right. To me, the resolution is astounding in its pinpointing of the source of many, if not all, of our social ills. I know not who originally authored its prose but it is remarkable in its content and thought.

In its deference to the Deity, it is remindful of the Declaration of Independence, which calls on God Almighty to help this nation. It is tactful, making no reference to Christian values per se, thus not ignoring Americans of other religious persuasions. Yet it does not shrink an iota in its allegiance to our Creator.

In a future edition of the Courier-Journal we will print in the full the resolution as it appeared in the Congressional Record. But for this column let me quote some of the more cogent comments:

"Intoxicated with unbroken success we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace; too proud to pray to the God that made us

"It therefore behooves us to humble ourselves before Almighty God to confess our national sins and to pray for clemency and forgiveness

These are God-fearing words — even more important they are God-recognizing words that are needed at all times but even more at this shaky period in our nation's history. They add up to a particularly worthwhile endeavor.

WAKEFIELD PLAYERS IN HOLY WEEK DRAMA

Nine members of the Wakefield Players Guild of Rochester presented He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word, a dramatic-musical meditation on the Passion and death of Jesus Christ, last Monday at St. Paul's Church in Webster.

The form of the hour-long presentation was that of theme and variations. The theme, the Passion according to St. Matthew, came last, preceded by the literary and musical variations it has inspired through the ages. Songs, poems, dances, prayers and a play were arranged to encourage reflection on the Crucifixion. Mountain dulcimers, guitars, recorders, a bowed psaltery, finger cymbals, and drums accompanied the singers.

Mitzie Collins conceived and arranged the production.

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Sister Judith Heberle Nominated for Posts

a nationwide day to humble ourselves, fasting to make up for our lack of compassion, and prayer that we may better the lots of ourselves as well as all our brothers and sisters in the fields of humankind.

An amazing expression of the need for unity in service to God.

Catching up on a few other things to Florence Catherine Young Hatch, really was sicker than my usual lack of energy, congratulations and three yessirs to Chris Gorman, the toughest fighter in the Aquinas Mission Bouts, the very best of Easter hope to Sister Mary Margaret and all our Sisters at the Monastery of Mary the Queen in Elmira and a special wish that their special Holy Week services will be well-attended and beneficial and to all, live it up, enjoy Easter.

Sister Mary Judith Heberle, superior general of the Sisters of the Rochester Diocese, will attend April meetings of both a national and a state organization of religious women, and has been nominated for two major offices in the national group.

The Federation of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas has nominated Sister Judith for both president and vice president. The unusual double nomination occurs because of a change in the group's by-laws. Sister Judith is now the vice president of the federation.

Election of officers will take place during the meeting that she

LIVING STATIONS

The children of St. Jude's parish will act out the Stations of the Cross at 7:30 Good Friday night in the church parking lot at 4100 Lyell Rd. The public is invited.

will attend in St. Louis, Mo., April 16-19.

Sister Judith also plans to attend a meeting of Region II of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious and the Congregation of Major Superiors

of Men in New York City, April 29-30.

She is the present secretary-treasurer of Region II LCWR, the organization of the major superiors of women of New York State.

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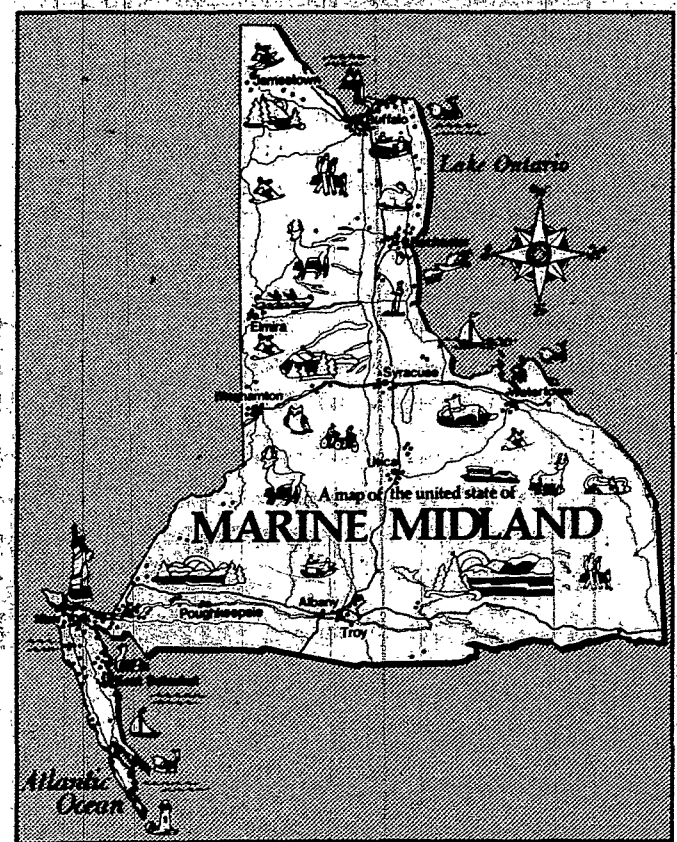
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