

# Chemung Schuyler Holds First General Assembly

Representatives from thirteen parishes and four institutions in the Chemung-Schuyler region participated recently in its first General Assembly held at Notre Dame High School.

During the session, which was overseen by Bishop Joseph L. Hogan, six regional reports were presented dealing with activities as diverse as a local anti-abortion project to senior citizen activities.

Father Henry F. Adamski, regional coordinator, said the 100 persons who had gathered for the program were there to "give this visible vote of confidence to our shepherd, Bishop Hogan — we the clergy, sisters, and laity pledge our loyalty and humble obedience — we will share our personnel, resources, and ideas to build the kingdom of God among our people, and to witness to God's generous love for all his people."

Father Adamski said the assembly "will improve and enrich our liturgy, education, youth and general communal programs."

During a report on education programs in the region, Sister Jean Rodman, regional director of education, said a non-sectarian team of interested citizens are working on a project to set up a credit program for the training of religion teachers at Elmira College.

The program would begin with the Fall 1975 semester.

Speaking on an anti-abortion project in the region, Jane Callahan of Pro-Life Line of Elmira, Inc. said the organization has an office which is staffed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Volunteers answering calls on alternatives to abortion. "Provide support to any woman who needs the personal, helpful concern and professional assistance we can provide to assure that both mother and child can benefit, physically, financially, emotionally and spiritually."

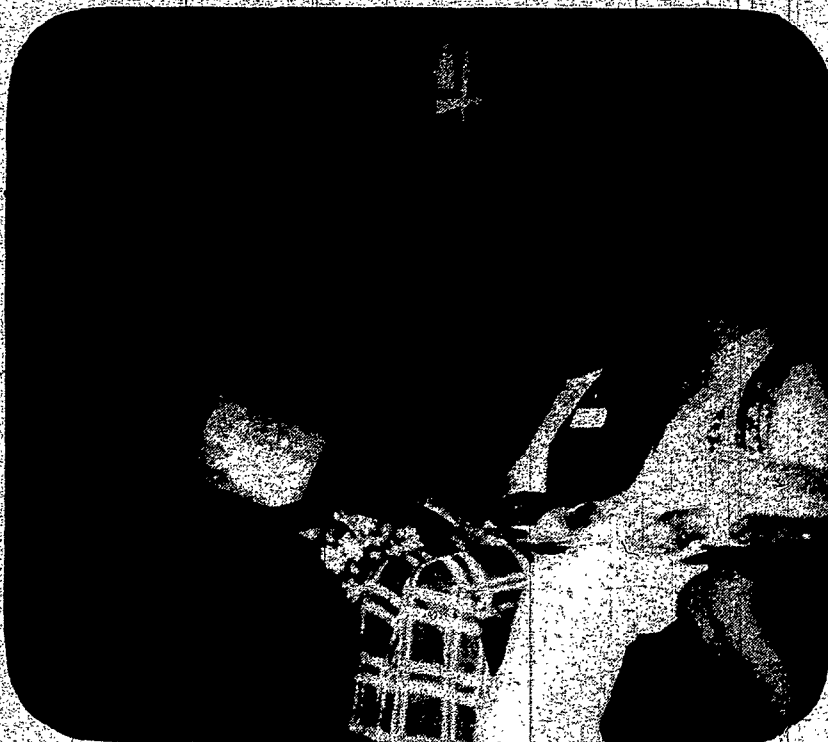
When the office is closed persons dialing a special telephone number are given telephone numbers of volunteers who can be reached at their homes in cases of emergency, Miss Callahan said.

Another anti-abortion organization, Chemung County Right to Life, had a spokeswoman, Helen McGill present a report on her agency's operations.

Mrs. McGill said, "The primary work of the group has been to promote respect for all human life and the worth and dignity of each person, from conception until natural death, by means of an active pro-life educational program."

She also said that one of the main projects of her organization was in the field of pushing through pro-life legislation.

Mrs. McGill said, "We have recently voiced support of all six pro-life bills to be presented in the New York State Legislature and have received the assurance



Left to right are Father Adamski, Bishop Hogan, Mrs. Mary Sorgenfrei and Miss Callahan.

Representatives were also present from Notre Dame High School, Monastery of Mary Our Queen, Mount Saviour Monastery and St. Joseph's Hospital.

Harry P. Seebach, representing senior citizen programs in the region, reported that in Chemung County four major areas are under consideration to assist senior citizens.

He listed the projects as transportation, nutrition, getting isolated elderly people into the mainstream of society, and grief counseling for women who become widows.

Sister Mary Agnes Zimmer speaking on behalf of the Elmira Regional Catholic School System gave an outline of how the system was formed and then spoke of the future for the program.

She said, "There will always be Catholic schools. We might not have the same setup. We might have to have further consolidation. But we will have a Catholic school system for the people who are interested and really want to have their children attend a Catholic school."

"The Chemung County General Education Board believes it is the right of the parents of this area to have freedom of choice in the matter of their children's education and that there is a demonstrated need for a dual system of education in this community. This regional plan points to ways to keep this choice available and thereby to fulfill the need."

Representatives from the following parishes attended the assembly: Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Anthony's, St. Casimir's, St. Cecelia's, St. John the Baptist, St. Mary's, St. Patrick's, St. Peter and Paul, St. Benedict's, Odessa, St. Mary's, Watkins Glen, St. Charles Borromeo, Elmira Heights, St. Mary our Mother, Horseheads, and St. Pius X, Van Etten.

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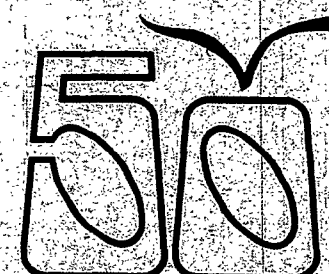
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