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Degrees Conferred

Rev. Mr. Frederick R. Parke of Syracuse receives his Master of Divinity degree from Auxiliary Bishop John E. McCafferty at ceremonies held last week at St. Bernard's Seminary. From left are Father Sebastian Falcone, Bishop McCafferty, Father Joseph Brennan, rector of the Seminary; Rev. Mr. Parke, and Father Robert McNamara. Thirteen Master of Divinity degrees were awarded at the rites and 19 alumni were granted Masters in Theology. The M. Div. replaces the traditional Baccalaureate in Divinity.

Throngs Greet Pilgrim Virgin

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Auburn — The statue of Our Lady of Fatima was greeted by standing room only crowds in the four city churches during the first part of its pilgrimage through the diocese.

An all night vigil at St. Aloysius averaged about 50 visitors an hour. The statue was carried in procession from St. Hyacinth's Church to Holy Family, where there were continuing prayers. Fifteen decades of the rosary were recited and confessions and Mass concluded the services. The

statue was also presented at St. Francis.

Traditionally the statue is carried from place to place to arouse response to the pleas the Lady of Fatima made for prayers and penance by people everywhere.

The Pilgrim Virgin has traveled more than a million miles since she was blessed by Pope Pius XII and presented to the United States.

Father Edward Shamon, pastor at St. Aloysius, is the official host while the statue is in the diocese. He is chairman of the Rosary Rally of the Greater Auburn Area.



Next to New Sale

Mrs. David Lechner and Mrs. Michael Vadala, co-chairmen of Our Lady of Lourdes' annual Next to New Sale, display some of the articles which will be offered Nov. 22 — 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the school hall.

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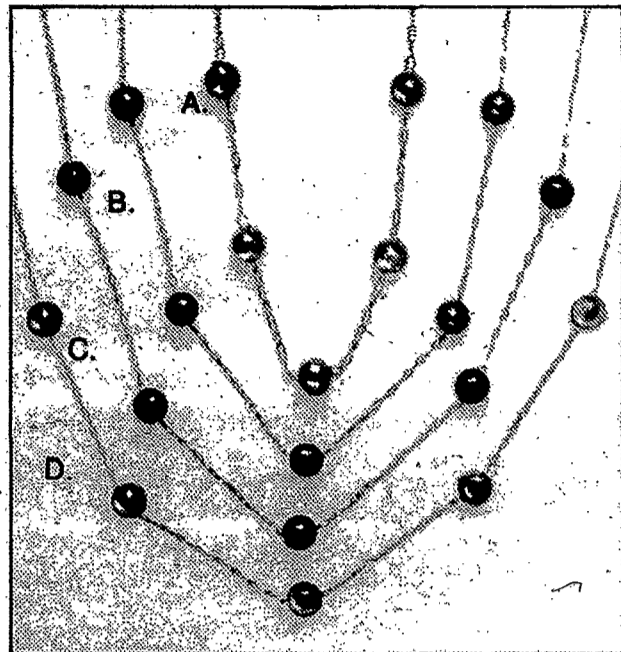
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