By LORRAINE DRAZEK

Ithaca — June 12 was a special day at Immaculate Conception School a day set aside to honor Mary Daniels, a fourth grade teacher who is retiring after 17 years of service.

Sister Raymond Mary, prin-cipal, has said, "Whenever the students have to write about their favorite teacher, it is Mary Daniels they choose.'

Mrs. Daniels has kept in touch over the years with many of her former pupils. "I've loved teaching those fourth graders; it is a delightful age" she said.

husband, Lawrence, recently retired from his position as assistant fire chief. He also has been inspector for the life safety department at Cornell University. Mrs. Daniels admitting to "retirement age," said she anticipates traveling, relaxing and quietly enjoying life now that they both will have the time.

Mrs. Daniels was graduated from Cortland Normal School, now a state college. She grew up in Little Falls. She and her



.Confirmation Rites

Bishop Joseph L. Hogan recently administered the sacrament of Confirmation to 57 youths and two adults in ceremonies at St. Mary's Church in Dansville. Shown with Bishop Hogan is Father Richard O'Connell, pastor.



The birds which visit our backyard may be strictly, run-ofthe mill, ordinary birds. If so, then I have been deluding myself for some time as to what constitutes a perfect diet for our feathered friends.

In the three years we have been here we have fed them from time to time usually giving up only when the blackbirds descend, 50 at a time, cleaning us out of seed at a rate of five pounds every two

But after last summer's distruction of lawn and shrubs by a horde of Japanese beetles, the head of the house and keeper of the vard decreed that it wouldn't hurt any to keep the birds around on a permanent basis.

We began by filling the bird

#### MINDSZENTY MEMORIAL

Cardinal Jösef Mindszenty will be remembered at a Mass at Old Mary's Church on Sunday, June 29, at 11:15 a.m. Members of the Hungarian community of all faiths, together with local sup-porters of the Cardinal Mindszenty Foundation, are spon-soring this memorial. The Hungarian prelate, who died May 6, 1975, at the age of 83, had made himself a symbol of resistance to any compromise with a philosophy he saw as inimical to spiritual freedom and the dignity of man.

feeder out on the ridge where our lot meets the thicket of trees and making a second bird bath out of the kids' aluminum saucer sled.

After meals I tossed bread crusts, remains of hamburger and hot dog rolls and popcorn under the biggest sycamore tree next to

Usually within minutes, the food would be gone. Next I tried donut nubbins and cake crumbs. Obviously the birds had sweet tooths (teeth) all around. Then one night we had pizza. When I mentioned that I thought they might have a yen for Italian food our provider agreed but ordered I scrape off the cheese "because you know who likes that." When I started at him blankly the kids velled in unison.

The pizza went even faster than the cake. By this time I figured they'd eat anything.

But when I started to toss out the rest of the soggy brown rice, the family was skeptical. The Sparrows and Pheasants ate it although it took longer than the sweets. The next week they went bananas over white rice so I guessed that our particular birds don't go in much for health

After the rice spisode I was ready to try new dishes. I shook out some leftover noodles with butter over the objections of my husband who predicted they'd have to be scraped up before he could mow the following weekend in five minutes the grass looked as clean as the proverbial hound's tooth. Pancakes with maple syrup, peanut butter on crackers, tacos with sauce. They do seem to like variety. Last night they got hash brown potatoes. Tonight maybe I'll whip up some corn bread. And the next time an overweight acquaintance tells me he eats like a bird, I think all have an answer husband have lived at 606 Mitchell St. for 29 of the 38 years they have been here. They have a son and a daughter, Thomas who is married and lives in Ithaca, and Nancy, a Head Start teacher in Oxford, Chemano County.

At "Mary Daniels Appreciation Night," the Immaculate Conception Home-Schoo Association producted a this-is your-life program, following the popular television model reception followed.

# **Scholarship Awarded**

Ronald Walsh was this year winner in the annual essay contest given by the Catholic War Veterans of Monroe County

The \$300 scholarship was awarded by Jim O'Connor, county commander of the Catholic War-Veterans, at Ronald's graduation from Saint Ambrose School. He will attend Aquinas in September.

## **Baker Named** Dimes Leader

J. David Baker, Widewaters Lane, Pittsford, has been re-elected chairman of the Monroe County Chapter of The National Foundation, March of Dimes Vice chairman is Father Joseph B. Dorsey of St. John Fisher College, secretary Mrs. Merrill R. Benson Mountain Rise, Perinton, and easurer, Glenn F. Herendeen, Ridgeview Drive, East Rochester.

New members of the Board of Directors are: Donald Alhart, Whalen Road, Penfield, Dr. Henry A. Thiede, Country Club Drive, Brighton; Edward Quivey, Maywood Brighton, Mrs. Alfred Hart, East Avenue, Rochester, has made an honorary member of the chapter's board after 20 years of

# Institute Names Speaker of Year

Rosalie Mugavero of Mother of Sorrows Parish was selected Speaker of the Year at the Cabriel Richard Institute, Rochester Second Annual Olympics June 13. Second place winner was Sister Mary Noel Ringwood of St. Rita's School.

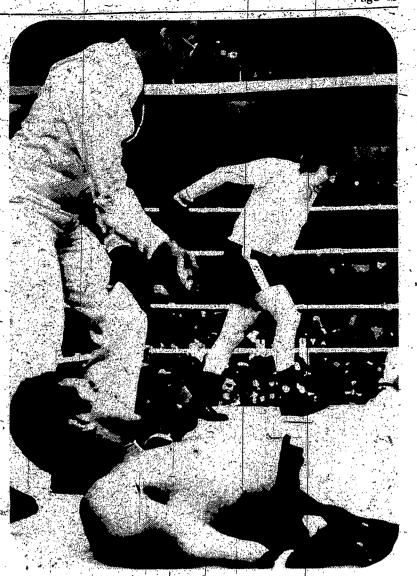
The Institute, founded by the Christophers, is a non-profit organization dedicated to building a better world through the achievement of personal development poise and self-confidence its aim is to help people from all walks of life to discover their own latent abilities and use them to their full potential.

Judges for the evening were Eleanor Hamilton, Educational Opportunity Center; Grace Laws RIT Extended Services Division and William Hunt, ISD/SBO, Xerox Corp. Runners-up were Della DeMarle, Louis Dodd, Frank Dombrowski, John Gagnier, Nicholas Hober and Marianne

### **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING**

A meeting to discuss the future of Natural Family Planning programs in the Rochester Diocese will take place at St. Mary's in Dansville on Saturday, July 19, 7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in fostering Natural Family Planning is encouraged to share their thoughts and ideas with this group.



Sting Like A . . . Priest?

Father William Cunningham, a Catholic priest, dances in his corner as heavyweight champion Muhammad Ali takes the count from Dr. Romallus O. Murphy, president of Shaw College of Detroit, during a benefit for the black college's library fund. Father Cunningham, of Madonna Parish, was the last of six "contenders" to do battle with the champ in a series of mock bouts. (RNS)



Before he flew to Malaysia for his July 1 engagement with European champion Joe Bugner, the heavyweight champion of the world took on the senior class at Harvard. In addition to the super cynical students in Cambridge there were many other guests, many of them prepared to give Muhammad Ali a hard time

A large percentage of these, according to my observer, were well pumped up on mind-benders stronger than beer and wine and tobacco. They opened up with catcalls and derisive whistles before he started telling them that George Forman is the second best fighter in the world today, and that Sugar Ray Robinson was the second best fighter who ever drew breath. You know who his Number 1 picks are.

People have strong feelings, both ways, about Muhammad Ali, some of them simply because of the years of TV sessions with Howard Cosell, labeled stupid by the world's most successful prizefighter.

In a matter of imputes Ali grabbed his audience and carried it a full, onesided 15 rounds to a decision - unanimous

"You may think it's a great thing to see me. I think it's a great thing to be here, and I can tell my grandchildren Muhammad Ali was invited to speak at Harvard.

"When we judge people, do we see them with the eyes of God? A true friend considers his life cheap, if it's for his friend. These are the types of things I study things you don't get in school common serise. What is a man? A

man is his heart. The greatness or smallness of a man does not his education. depend upon Where is love? Where is compassion? Where is mercy? Where is God? We can answer each of these by saying — in the heart of

"A wise man can act like a fool," continued Ali, "but a fool can't act like a wise man. People don't pay for wisdom. They pay for foolishness.

Ad-libbing, or at least not using a script, Ali continued to spellbound a tough audience. "Jesus didn't have an education. Moses was so dumb he couldn't even talk. But God didn't want somebody up there parting the sea and then have some science teacher jump up and say, I taughthim how to do that."

On Cosell: "Black people like Howard Cosell. That surprised me at first. But then I found out why. Black people like to see a white guy make a topi out of himself.

On Cov. Wallace: "L' admire Wallace because he speaks the truth when he claims whites and blacks coexist on better terms in Alabama than in Northern cities: He went on to explain that he believes integration is a dream wasting the energy of blacks who should be trying to improve their own conditions.

Ali's audience was mostly black, but came to jeer the once-poor, lightly educated kid from the Louisville ghetto...

What started out as a bearbaiting session became a totalone thousand and one per cent victory for Ali.

This postscript. All had been scheduled to speak at Senior Day exercises later, but had to cancel to meet his training schedule in Kuala Lampur, Malaysia. Because of that conflict, he went to Cambridge ahead of schedule, without a speaking fee and without even simple expenses.

The boxing bible, Ring Record Book, won't list this one. But Muhammad Ali's performance at Harvard University has to be one of his most impressive triumphs.

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