

Ave Atque Vale

**Novices Received,
Sent to Alabama**

Eight young women formally entered the Novitiate for the Sisters of St. Joseph Sunday, June 27 and left Rochester on June 29 for a month's experience in the order's mission in Selma, Alabama.

The novices were received at a special ceremony in the East Avenue Motherhouse Chapel after completing a ten-month period as associates in the congregation.

As part of their prayer work and study in the novitiate year, the sisters will be spending the month of July in St. Elizabeth's Parish, Selma, where five members of the order work in various pastoral ministries. Two of the formation directors, Sisters Mary Wehner and Mary Scollan, will accompany the novices and spend the month in Alabama with them.

The new sisters are:

Mary Ellen Campbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Campbell, St. Theodore's Parish, Rochester.

Pamela Gabryel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gabryel, Our Lady of Grace Parish, Lackawanna, N.Y.

Doris Gruber, daughter of Dr. Albion M. Gruber and Mrs. Charlotte Griffith, Blessed Sacrament Parish, Rochester.

Patricia Kocinski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Kocinski, St. Stanislaus Parish, Rochester.

Mary Lynch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren J. Lynch, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Brockport.

Patricia McDermott, daughter of Mr. William McDermott and Mrs. Elvira McDermott, St. Mary's Parish, Canandaigua.

Barbara Olmstead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Olmstead, St. Stanislaus Parish, Rochester.



The new Sisters of St. Joseph going to Alabama for July are: (standing, from left) Sisters Doris Gruber, Christine Wagner, Patricia McDermott, Pamela Gabryel, Mary Lynch, Barbara Olmstead, (seated) Sisters Patricia Kocinski and Mary Ellen Campbell.

Christine Wagner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wagner, St. John's Parish, Spencerport.

Kearney Grads Make Final Vows

Two graduates of Bishop Kearney High School who joined the Christian Brothers in 1968, Thomas R. Sanger and Stanley J. Lapa, made their final professions Saturday, June 26.

Brother Thomas Sanger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sanger, 341 Ransford Ave., Rochester, made his profession at Nuestra Senora del Pilar Church, Arequipa, Peru where he is currently working. He graduated from Iona College, New Rochelle, and taught in St. Cecilia's School, Manhattan, before going to Peru.

Brother Stanley Lapa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Lapa, 209 Angelus Drive, Rochester, made his profession at Blessed Sacrament Church, New Rochelle. He graduated from Iona College, taught at Iona Grammar School, New Rochelle, and is currently teaching at Essex Catholic High School, Newark, New Jersey.

Also professing his final vows in New Rochelle was Brother Thomas C. Severino, who taught at Bishop Kearney for several years and is currently teaching at Rice High School, New York City.

An Essay on Human Rights

By MRS. JOAN SMITH

"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated."

The Bill of Rights

Recently, U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger met with the Organization of American States (OAS) which is studying the state of human rights in South American countries, especially those under military dictatorship.

Reports by the OAS Human

Rights Commission detail cases of torture, prison deaths, and widespread arrests without judicial order.

Kissinger warned, "Human Rights must be preserved, cherished, and defended in this hemisphere. For if they cannot be preserved, cherished, and defended here where the rights and promise of individual freedom have played such a prominent historical role, then they are in jeopardy everywhere."

"Those who do not remember the past are condemned to relive it."

George Santayana

"I was a young girl of 15 attending a Catholic high school much like your own," related Mrs. Gerda Klein to her audience during a recent visit to Nazareth Academy. A survivor of Hitler's concentration camps, Mrs. Klein now lives in Buffalo, speaks extensively to young people in high schools, college and at inter-faith meetings. She serves as vice president of the Silver Circle of Rosary Hill College.

In September, 1939 the Nazis occupied her home town of Bielitz, Poland and after three years in the ghettos she was deported to Sosnowitz, a transit camp, and then to numerous concentration camps. In January, 1945 she was forced on the 1,000 mile "death March" from Silesia to Czechoslovakia. She was among the 120 survivors liberated on May 6, 1945 by U.S. forces.

The horror of German Nazism and the resolution that such a system should never arise again was a primary concern of the 1945 Conference of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). On December 10, 1948 the General Assembly approved a Universal Declaration of Human Rights based on the premise that

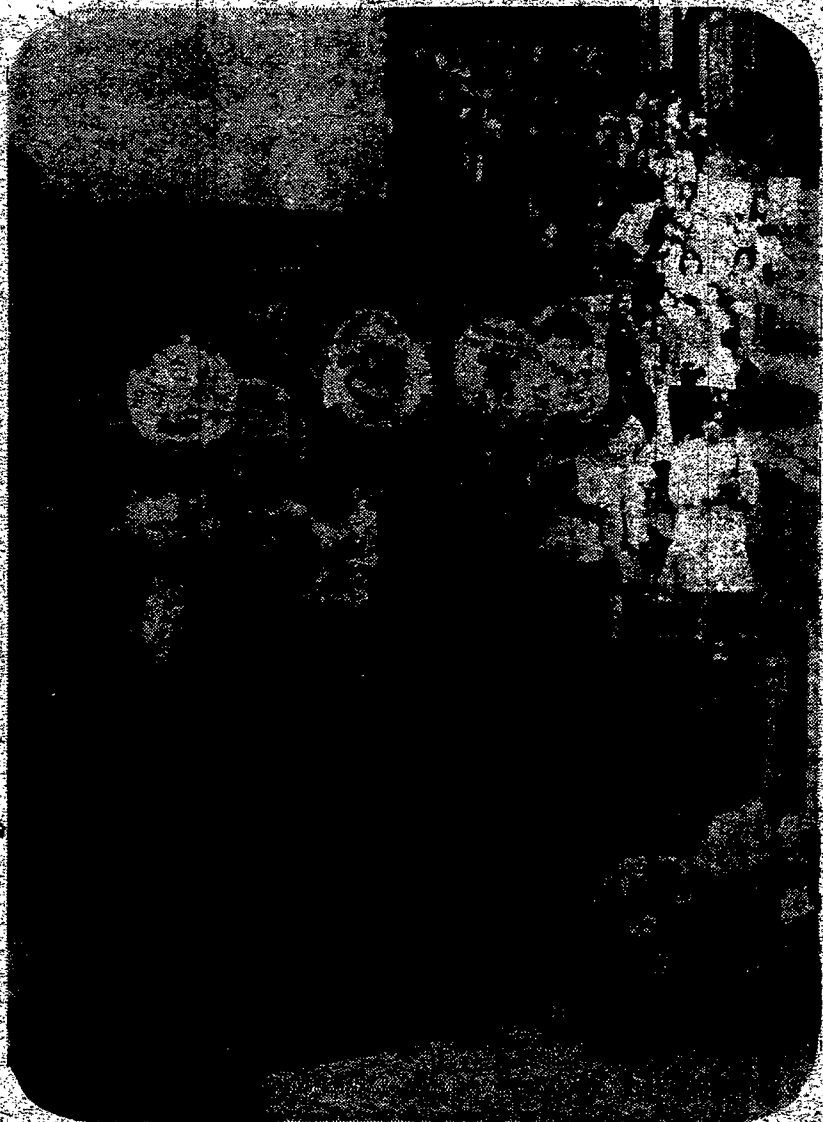
"... recognition of the inherent dignity and the equal and inalienable rights for all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world."

The Declaration came three years after the close of World War II with its disclosure of the Nazi holocaust. It was hailed by Pope John XXIII in a 1963 Encyclical Letter. "The document," he wrote, "represents an important step on the path toward juridical-political organization of the world community. For in it, in most solemn form, the dignity of a person is acknowledged to all human beings."

Yet, in 1973, Amnesty International in its "Report on Torture" stated, "what for the last two or three hundred years has been no more than a historical curiosity has suddenly developed a life of its own and become a social cancer."

Mrs. Klein puts it another way, "People's prejudices never really die."

Kissinger told OAS officials, "We of the Americas have a special obligation to ourselves and the world to maintain and advance international standards of justice and freedom."



Eucharistic Congress Day

Students from St. Catherine of Siena School in Pittsburgh march in procession to an outdoor altar constructed for the parish's Eucharistic Congress Day. The more than 400 students in the parish school spent the day completing their posters on themes of the 41st International Eucharistic Congress to be held in August in Philadelphia, in workshops and in making private visits to the altar. The day closed with an evening Mass for the adults and children of the parish and a procession back to the church. (RNS)

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