

Investiture of Father Agius is Held Sunday

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where the church is under persecution.

John Clodt gave the very beautiful, "Mother Machree" with Mrs. Clodt at the piano, this being a very much appreciated number and most appropriate on Mother's day.

Rev. Father Patrick Harte, of Beatrice, responded to the toast, "Our Diocese" and in which he traced the history of the church in this part of the state. He told that on his arrival in the diocese he had been received by Monsignor M. A. Shine of Plattsmouth, then the administrator of the diocese, that he had been impressed by Plattsmouth for many years for its fine spirit and the co-operation that was demonstrated. He spoke of the high regard for Monsignor Agius among the priests of the diocese and who were rejoicing with their old friend on this occasion.

Father McPadden presented Sheriff Homer Sylvester to the audience as a real Nebraska sheriff and the local officer received a very fine greeting.

"Our Parish," was the toast of Fred I. Rea, who in his opening stated that it was a very happy occasion for all of the people of the community and especially to those of his flock, that Monsignor Agius had been so signally honored. The pastor was loved and honored by his people to whom he had indeed been a spiritual father. The first church was erected here in 1863, Mr. Rea stated, and the present structure was erected under the pastorate of Father T. J. Garney in 1878 and had since housed the congregation of the church. Monsignor Agius had come to this city in 1927 and had had a brilliant record in his work in the business management of the parish and the spiritual advancement of the church and its people. When Monsignor Agius had arrived here there was some \$4,000 debt on the parish and this had all been wiped out and the church, school and all of the property of the church was free of all debt and which was a tribute to his fine management and the interest and

satisfaction that he had felt in the advancement of the church. On behalf of the parish, Mr. Rea presented Monsignor Agius with a purse from the members of the parish.

Mrs. Mildred Gibson Slocumb of Omaha was heard in two very beautiful vocal numbers during the evening program, both being most artistically given. "Welcome Sweet Spring" by Cadman and "Only a Rose," Miss Gladys Hamstreet was the accompanist.

Prof. Mavia, of Lincoln, a long time friend of Monsignor Agius, gave two very final vocal numbers, "The Italian Boatman's Song" and "A Prayer," dedicated to the guest of honor of the evening.

L. W. Lorenz, one of the members of the church, added a fine touch to the program when he read an ode that he had prepared in honor of Monsignor Agius and in poetic strain told of the affection and esteem held for the pastor by his people.

William A. Robertson spoke on the subject, "Our Non-Catholic Friends," taking as his thought that the value of a man is the measure of his service and paid honor to Monsignor Agius for his work in the community, the fine contribution that the church and school had given to Plattsmouth, the fine feeling of fellowship and religious freedom that had marked the associations of the people of the city. Mr. Robertson joined in the universal wish that Monsignor Agius might have many years of service in the community.

George Jaeger, one of the talented musicians of the city, was heard in a lovely violin selection that was artistically given. Mrs. Robert Reed served as the accompanist.

The program closed with the response of Monsignor Agius who expressed his gratitude for the fine greeting that he had been given by the clergy, the people of the church and the citizens at large. Monsignor Agius spoke very feelingly of his association of years with the members of the priesthood and whose presence at the investiture had cheered him. He also paid a very high tribute to the work of Bishop Kucera in the diocese.

The visiting delegation boasted many of the distinguished prelates of the state and was headed by Bishop Kucera and the following members of the clergy:

Monsignors Matt Nemeck, Wahoo; Edw. Hagan, Dawson; A. M. Mosler, Plattsmouth; L. V. Barnes, Lincoln;

As Actors Won "Guild Shop" Offer



Robert Montgomery Jean Hersholt

Threatened walkout of 4,000 Hollywood actors and actresses was averted when Robert Montgomery, president of the Screen Actors guild, announced at a mass meeting of 4,000 members that six major producers had agreed to accept the "guild shop" proposal. Montgomery is shown above, left, addressing the meeting. Jean Hersholt, another prominent actor, appears at the right.

L. L. Mandeville, York; George Agius, Plattsmouth.

Priests: A. J. Kramer, Lincoln; E. C. McPadden, Syracuse; Patrick O'Leary, Campbell; O. F. Schlachter, Steinauer; C. J. Riordan, Lincoln; T. M. Kealy, Lincoln; Dennis Barry, Colon; F. W. Cadek, Odell; Patrick Harte, Beatrice; L. A. Patocki, St. Mary; Thos. Barden, Tecumseh; A. A. Gerhardtstein, Nebraska City; Stanislaus Zukowski, Omaha; John Pastorak, Plasi (Prague P. O.); Erasmus Gengler, Nebraska City; James Hennessy, Manley; Jerome Wolfe, Nebraska City; Adam Szymdt, Nebraska City; George Smiskol, Omaha; Joseph Keany, Lincoln; Joseph Ostidick, Omaha; Ed J. J. Daugherty, Waterloo, Iowa; Michael A. Stagno, Omaha; James Wilson, Edward Allen, James Hayes, John O'Donovan, all of St. Columbian, Nebr.; Ralph Egan, Rulo; J. J. Hoffman, Auburn; A. M. Faessler, Paul (Nebraska City P. O.); M. O. Boyle, Shelby; Otto Ekhanel, Wahoo.

RECOVERING AT HOME

Mrs. Carl Kopsichka who returned from El Paso, Texas, Wednesday, is reported to be some better. Mrs. Kopsichka with her husband and granddaughter, Katherine Kopsichka, had gone to El Paso to spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mareschal. Two weeks ago, while going to a funeral service, the group were in an auto wreck. Mrs. Kopsichka had nine ribs broken, chest, head, and back injuries. She was taken to a hospital in El Paso and later had pneumonia. Although her condition is still serious it is believed that she will regain her health. Mr. Kopsichka had a leg injured and Mrs. Mareschal had her back hurt. The other two members of the party escaped injury. Mrs. Mareschal, a daughter of Mrs. Kopsichka, returned with her to Plattsmouth and will remain until she is better.

DIES AT BELLEVUE

From Wednesday's Daily—
Mrs. Minnie Belle Graves, 62, wife of Andrew J. Graves, well known east Nebraska baseball star of years ago, died Monday afternoon at her home in Bellevue after a lingering illness. The funeral was held this afternoon at the Brewer-Korlako chapel in Omaha and the interment at Bellevue.

Mrs. Graves leaves to survive her, the husband, son, Harey F.; Roy, Fred, Wilbur, Clarence and Allan Jones, as well as two grandchildren. The deceased lady was a daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Sherd Graves of south of this city.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Graves, and Judge Charles L. Graves were attending the funeral services today.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank most sincerely all of our dear friends and neighbors for their many thoughtful acts and words of sympathy in the passing of our husband and father. We wish to thank those who sent the beautiful flowers, those taking part in the funeral service and to the American Legion for their kindly service.—Mrs. Frank Aschenbrenner, Frank and John.

City Schools to Function on Saturday

Action Decided on by Board of Education to Comply with Requirements of State Supt.

The Plattsmouth city schools will carry on their regular teaching program Saturday to carry out the provisions of instructions from the office of the state superintendent requiring that 176 hours of school be held in the school year. The number of hours is required to secure the school share of the state apportionment money.

The decision to hold school this week-end was made by the board of education in a resolution at their meeting Tuesday afternoon and to comply with the notice of the state superintendent.

Had the notice been received earlier in the year it might have been possible to carry the additional hours, the schools having observed Labor Day, Thanksgiving and allowing two days off for the state teacher's meetings, but as it is necessary to take up the required time on Saturday.

It is expected that the schools will comply with the requirements the next school year by opening on the first Monday in September instead of observing it as Labor day.

The school officials are urging the full co-operation of the parents and patrons of the school in seeing that the attendance is kept up to standard.

RETURNED TO HOSPITAL

P. E. Tritsch, well known farmer of the Fairview community east and south of Louisville, was taken back to the Immanuel hospital at Omaha Tuesday for treatment.

Mr. Tritsch was taken ill in the winter with pneumonia and was very gravely ill for many weeks but later improved so that he was able to be brought to this city where he has been at the home of his brother, Mrs. Jacob Tritsch, but has not improved as was hoped for and he will be given a further course of treatment at the hospital.

POETRY CONTEST OPENS

As an observation of national poetry week, May 23 to 30, a poetry contest is being sponsored by Superintendent of Schools L. S. Devoe, and the city library. Entries may be made of any length and dealing with any subject desired. The contest is open to all students above the fifth grade and in the high school. All entries must be made by May 30.

Mrs. H. G. McClusky and Mrs. Wm. Robertson are to act as judges for the contest. Winning poems are to be published in the Plattsmouth Evening Journal.

LOCAL MEN AT TARKIO

Four former Plattsmouth high school athletes accounted for 25 1/2 points for Tarkio as the Owl team defeated Nebraska Wesleyan in a dual meet at Tarkio last Friday by a score of 96 to 40. Tarkio, defending Missouri champion, took first in every event but three.

Don Cotner, outstanding freshman, was second high point man with 15 1/2 points. Cotner scored first in the high hurdles to set a new school record of 16.5; first in the broad jump; second in the high jump; third in the 220-yard dash and ran a lap on Tarkio's winning half mile relay team.

Stuart Porter boosted the 16 pound shot out to 42 ft., 5 1/2 inches for his best throw of the season. Kenneth Armstrong placed third. Porter added three points by taking second in the discus.

Geo. Adam ran a leg on the Owl half mile relay team which broke the Tarkio record in this event, winning over the Wesleyan quartet in the time of 1 min., 32.7 sec.

Tarkio's one man track team, Lee Padget of Mound City, Mo., scored 21 1/4 points for Tarkio with Cotner runnerup.

Tarkio will enter the state meet next week favored by Missouri sports writers to retain the title though William Jewell college will be a formidable challenger.

President Catches Big Tarpon



Fishing in gulf waters

President Roosevelt proved his prowess as a fisherman when he caught this sizable tarpon—weighing 77 pounds—in the waters of the Gulf of Mexico off Port Aransas, Tex. Elliott Roosevelt, son of the president, is holding the fish.

PRESENT FINE CONCERT

The Plattsmouth high school band under the direction of Lee Knolle, supervisor of music of the local school, gave a very fine concert Sunday afternoon on the lawn of the Nebraska Masonic Home. The young people of the band had a very fine program arranged and which was well given. The band has had a very successful season and some excellent musicians have been developed among the members of the organization.

The concert was very much appreciated by the residents of the home and was the first of the summer program at the Home.

The beautiful day made it exceptionally pleasant for all to enjoy the treat afforded them.

DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Oliver Baker, 80, who was a resident of near Union for many years, suffered a paralytic stroke at his home in Thomas, Oklahoma, and died there Sunday morning. The funeral services were held Tuesday and burial at Thomas.

Mr. Austin was a brother of Mrs. Mary Mark of Union and he is also survived by a daughter and three sons living at Thomas and one son in California.

Mr. Baker has been a very successful career in farming in Oklahoma and was the owner of two very fine farms.

Mrs. Baker has preceded her husband in death.

REJOICE IN NEW DAUGHTER

Relatives here have received the announcement of the birth on Sunday at Glendale, California, of a fine eight pound daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Shrader. The parents have recently moved to the west coast and the many relatives and old friends here are delighted to learn of their new found happiness.

Mrs. Shrader was formerly Miss Mary Lindeman of this city.

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You have been made a Domestic Prelate, A member of the family of Holy Father the Pope; To dispense the Divine blessings and graces, Filling our hearts with faith, love, charity and hope.

The Right Reverend Monsignor Agius From now on you will be known; Reaping the crops and the harvest, From the seeds that you have sown.

In the hours of distress and sorrow, You have comforted us with blessing and love; Inspiring us with hope and courage, Which flows from our God above.

As the good shepherd of your flock, You guided us with utmost care; Protecting us from all dangers, And save us from worry and despair.

You feed your lambs with the bread of life, Which has always been your goal; In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, To save our immortal Soul.

May God bless you with health and courage, That you may continue laboring on;

Till all the earthly battles are over, And your final victory is won.

The Most Right Reverend Bishop Kucera, Under whose care you abide, Is no doubt most highly honored, And his heart is filled with pride.

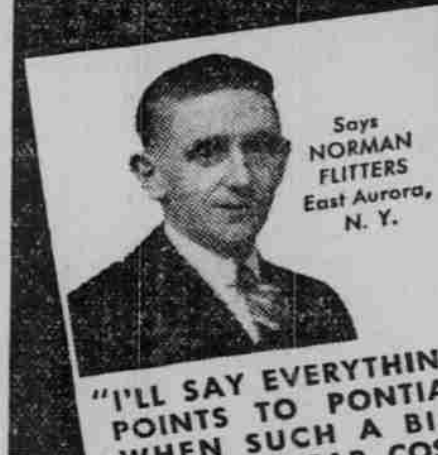
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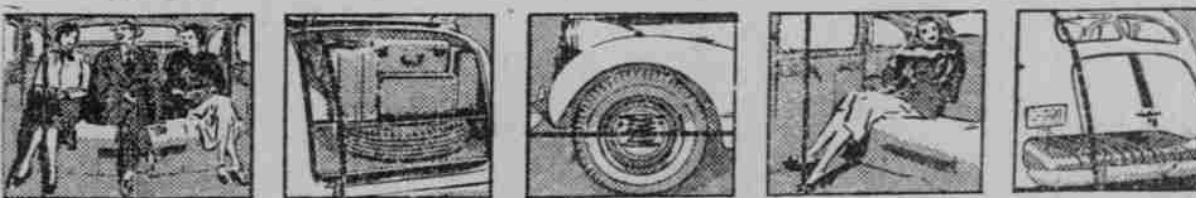
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