

As pastor —

Rev. Ventura will replace Msgr. Ball

The Rev. Gennaro J. Ventura of Rochester has been appointed pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church here, effective June 25. He succeeds the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward K. Ball who is retiring.



Rev. Gennaro J. Ventura (Varden Studio)

Clergy appointments, made by the Most Rev. Joseph L. Hogan, Bishop of the Rochester Catholic Diocese, were released this week.

Father Ventura comes to St. Francis from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Rochester where he has served as pastor since 1961. Born in Rochester, he attended St. Bernard's Seminary and was ordained into the Roman Catholic priesthood Dec. 18, 1943. He received his elementary school education at Holy Apostles School, spent two years at Aquinas Institute and the last two years of high school in St. Andrew's Seminary.

Father Ventura's first assignment was at St. Lucy's Church in Rochester. He served as assistant pastor there until 1947 when he was transferred to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. In 1955 he returned to St. Lucy's Church as its pastor and in 1961 moved to the pastorate of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church.

Having served his entire priesthood in the inner-city parishes of Rochester, Father Ventura is recognized as a man who understands the poor and their problems. He has served on the Rochester Housing Authority for five years, two years ago as its chairman, and has been instrumental in forming neighborhood improvement groups.

He has been a board member of the Lewis St. Settlement House, and has also been the diocesan consultant on Rochester's American Committee on Italian Immigration.

Father Ventura, whose parents are deceased, has one brother, Joseph, in

Rochester, and three sisters, Mrs. Raymond (Elizabeth) Chinappi of Sodus Point, Mrs. Joseph (Marie) Knausdorf and Mrs. Ralph (Frances) Antinone, both of Rochester.

Msgr. Ball, who celebrated the 49th anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood, June 11, is retiring after serving St. Francis de Sales Church as its pastor for the past 25 years.

His first assignment in Geneva was as principal of DeSales High School in 1928, a post he held for 11 years. In 1940 he was appointed pastor of St. Patrick's in Dansville and on Feb. 27, 1945, returned to Geneva as pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church. In 1954 Msgr. Ball was appointed dean of the Ontario-Seneca-Yates Deanery.

Geneva

11 autos damaged as wall falls

A 20 foot high and 60 foot long section of the four-story Geneva Refrigerating Corp. collapsed last night about 11:20 p.m., demolishing six cars and damaging five more in the American Can Co. parking lot.

Investigation is still continuing into the cause of the wall's collapse, in which no one was injured.

The 11 cars were owned by employees of the American Can Co., which is adjacent to the refrigerating company that is owned by Seneca Foods of Dundee.

The wall did cause an electrical power distributing line to malfunction, cutting off power to the Can Co., which resulted in the cancellation of the third shift at the company. Power was returned by the NYS Elec. & Gas Corp. at approximately 6:30 a.m.

Geneva Police and one company of the Geneva Fire Dept. were at the scene.

The New York State Telephone Co. reports that all its area crews were out last night after a heavy lightning and thunder storm hit the area shortly after midnight.



AUTOS DEMOLISHED — These cars were damaged when a wall of the Geneva Refrigerating Corp. collapsed at approximately 11:20 p.m. last night. The cars, owned by the third shift employees of the American Can Co., were

in a parking lot on Avenue D that runs between the two buildings. Six cars were demolished and five more were damaged in the rubble.

Fire damages Wadsworth Street home

At 3:20 p. m. yesterday all three companies of the Geneva Fire Department responded to a fire call at the home of Mrs. Angela Loungo, located at 54 North Wadsworth St.

Fire originating in the living room had spread rapidly to the stairway area and an outside wall partition. Firemen confined the fire to this immediate area but there was extensive heat and smoke damage to the remainder of the home, according to fire officials.

Mrs. Loungo is a patient at Geneva General Hospital and the home was unoccupied at the time of the fire.

Geneva firemen were at the scene for about one hour and firemen were left to prevent a further outbreak. Lt. Ralph DeBolt received a wrist laceration and was treated at Geneva General and released. There were no other injuries.

Chief Naegel reported today that the cause is under investigation by city fire and police officials.

Sixty Geneva firemen from the Hydrant Hose Company, Nester Hose and the Folger Hook & Ladder Company participated in the firefighting operations.



GENEVA FIREMEN fight flames yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Angelo Luongo at 54 N. Wadsworth St.

Flames destroy \$9,000 barn

EAST PALMYRA — Investigation is continuing as to the cause of the blaze which destroyed a Hogback Hill Rd. barn around midnight. East Palmyra and Newark fire departments, who responded, were on the scene until 1:15 a.m.

East Palmyra Fire Chief Raymond Goossen said the barn may have been struck by lightning. Estimated loss was \$9,000. The structure, approximately 32 x 60 feet, was empty at the time. Formerly owned by the Whitbeck estate, it is presently owned by James Cleason of Palmyra. It is not known whether the barn is insured. The barn was situated near the Whitbeck Rd.

Newark Fire Dept. was called into service again at 12:46 a.m. for a smoke fire at 226 Prospect St. It is believed that lightning struck the electrical wiring of a kitchen range.

College Graduate

John P. Baldwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Baldwin of 50 Bennett St., Geneva, graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N. Y. on June 12.

He received a degree in civil engineering.

While at RPI, John was on the dean's list several semesters, a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, a steward for one year, and played varsity football four years, being elected to the ICAC all-star team this year as a linebacker.

John will be employed as a junior engineer with the New York State Dept. of Transportation.

He is a 1966 graduate of Geneva High.

Graduates Monday —

Geneva pianist wins contest in Rochester

Joseph Saglimbeni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Saglimbeni of 30 North St., earned first place for his piano performance in the New York State Teachers Association Regional Contest, Monday at Eastman School of Music.

Receiving a standing ovation from the judges and other contestants, Saglimbeni's performance "qualifies him" for entrance in the New York City contest in November. He will play "Shostakovich Concerto No. 2" in November.

Monday's regional contest was open to youths 15 to 18 years of age, representing about 10 counties. Saglimbeni's selections were Bach's "Tocatta in E Minor," Beethoven's "Sonata Pathetic," Chopin's "Revolutionary Etude," and "Khachaturian-Tocatta."

The young pianist is a pupil of Eugene S. Campbell of Geneva and has appeared in several public performances in and around Geneva. He will graduate from Geneva High School, Monday, and has been accepted at Fredonia State Teachers College where he will major in music. During high school he has been active in the school band and other musical activities.



Joseph Saglimbeni

Elkettes plan picnic

Plans for the annual summer picnic to be held next month were made at the recent annual banquet of Geneva Lodge 1054 Elkettes, at the Town Pump.

Mrs. George Palmer and Mrs. Margaret Rose are co-chairmen.

Arrangements for the banquet were under the direction of Mrs. Anthony Martino and Mrs. Jeanne Cleere and included table decorations, corsages and floral centerpieces, one of which was taken to the vice president Mrs. Albert Emmons who is ill. A gift was also presented to Mrs. Margaret McGuire who recently returned from a visit to Engiana.

The opening meeting of the fall season is set for Tuesday, Sept. 22, with a tureen supper.

What's Doing

Today
Diet Workshop, Temple Beth-El, 7:30 p. m.

Geneva Contract Bridge Club, Team of 4, Elks Club, 7:45 p. m.

League of Women Voters annual June buffet, Lochland School, 6:30 p. m.

Tomorrow
Seneca Rebekah Lodge, Odd Fellows Hall, 8 p. m.

Geneva Rod and Gun Club fish fry dinner, 7 p. m.

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