

V. P. McIntyre Is Presented With Purse at Testimonial Dinner

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 Belleville Council of The Knights of Columbus held a testimonial dinner last Monday for Brother V. P. McIntyre who is retiring as financial secretary of Belleville Council 1008 after almost twenty years of faithful service. Over one hundred members of the Order attended the dinner to pay tribute to Brother McIntyre who is obliged to retire due to a lengthy illness from which he is now convalescing.

In addition to the congratulations and good wishes of all present, Brother Frank Domenico, on behalf of the members of the Council, presented Brother McIntyre with a suitably inscribed purse. District Deputy George O'Brien presented Brother McIntyre with a lighter from the Friday Evening Club. The Grand Knight, Robertson Collins, read several congratulatory messages

from various officers and members of the organization throughout Ontario.

The lecturer, Brother Tom Clancy, introduced the guest speaker, Past State Deputy, Tobias Kelly, of Toronto, who congratulated Brother McIntyre on his long service to the Order. Brother Kelly urged all members to attend the State Convention to be held at Toronto, beginning May 16th, 1959, and called for greater development of capable leadership at all levels of the Order for service to country and community.

Brother Kelly pointed out that February was Catholic Press Month and stressed the importance of the Catholic press in the province. He suggested that the members of the Order support the Catholic press as well as the local daily press. Past Grand Knight, Bernard Hurley, conveyed the Council's appreciation to the guest speaker.

Brother Vincent McIntyre thanked all members of the Order who were present and assured the Council of his continued interest in its activities. The Very Reverend L. B. Garvin, pastor of St. Michael's Parish, added his personal tribute to the retiring financial secretary.

Distinguished visitors attending the dinner included the Reverend W. J. McGee, the Reverend Peter F. Murphy, Past State Deputy, A. B. Collins, Q.C., Brother John Forbes, Grand Knight of Trenton Council, Brother Simon Meraw, Financial Secretary of Tweed Council and Brother Tracey Quinn, Past Grand Knight of Tweed Council, as well as many members from Trenton, Tweed, Read, Point Anne and Marysville.

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