

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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**Worthy Causes Aided
By Cincinnati Chapter**

During the past several weeks Cincinnati Chapter's Outing Committee distributed the proceeds of last summer's outing at the Latona Race Track to some fifty separate charitable institutions and charitable causes. Substantial checks, totaling \$3,000, were delivered to these various organizations by members of the Committee.

John H. Monahan, who was chairman of the Outing Committee, reported the most successful outing in the history of the Chapter, as the profits far exceeded the proceeds of any previous year's event. This fund, which has been held intact since August 13, the date of the outing, has helped to bring Christmas cheer to institutions whose inmates, day in and day out, see little but the drab and gloomy side of life.

The entire proceeds of the outing were distributed with the exception of a small part, which was reserved to establish a fund in the Chapter which can be drawn upon during the year for worthy charitable appeals. Such a fund proved very useful last year when the Chapter was called upon for relief of flood sufferers and for several other worthy while purposes. None of the money that is raised at this annual outing is used for any purpose but charity.

Mr. Monahan was appointed General Chairman of this year's outing committee by Daniel A. O'Donovan, President of the Chapter, at its last meeting. The outing will be held at the Latona Race Track, Saturday, August 11.

How About It?

The Hempstead, L. I., Council News says: "Is there anything so inexcusable as half genuflecting? People who simply nod their right knee cap look as if that is the limit of their respect for the Blessed Sacrament. When men genuflect by bending the knee until the floor is reached, an object lesson is brought home to the lukewarm and the careless. Men, genuflecting properly, one after another, constitute an impressive example of outward respect."

Need anything more be said on a subject that ought to be a well-learned Sunday School lesson?

Houston Council Extension Program
Houston Council No. 308, Houston, Texas, has created the position of Executive Secretary. The duties of this office will be to stimulate activities along Catholic lines in the Council as well as to assist the Financial Secretary. Edward J. Ryan has been appointed to the position. He is the Board of Trustees as the first incumbent. He plans to organize a committee of about fifteen of the active members of the Council who will meet with the pastors of the parishes in Houston. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Hayes, of Galveston, is to be present at the meeting, at which a program of cooperation between all the Catholic men and women of Houston will be worked out.

Three Brothers Priests and Knights
Rev. Joseph A. Royer, Rev. George C. Royer and Rev. Walter H. Royer, of Mobile, Alabama, are brothers and Knights of Columbus. George, recently ordained, celebrated his first Solemn Mass on Christmas Day, assisted by his brothers Joseph and Walter. Walter and George are members of Mobile Council No. 468, while Joseph is a member of Montgomery Council No. 493.

Council Day's Summer Playground
A ten acre tract of land on the banks of the Jim River has been purchased by Marty Council No. 1338, Yankton, South Dakota, to be used as a park and recreational center for Knights of Columbus and their families during the summer months. The tract is one of the sparsely spots of the state. Work of clearing away brush and laying roads will begin soon. A bathing beach, baseball diamond and dancing pavilion will be among the facilities of the park.

Christmas Party for Orphans
Margaret Council, No. 1438, Kansas City, Mo., sponsored a Christmas party for more than 200 orphans at St. Joseph's Orphan Home for Girls.

Pioneer Western Knight Dies

Thomas Conley, pioneer member of the Knights of Columbus in the West, died recently at his home in Chicago. He was born in that city February 17, 1858, and was one of the first to subscribe his name to the charter roll of Chicago Council No. 181, the first Council of the Order instituted west of the Alleghenies.

Register of Family Records
Surgente Director James H. Deane, of Iowa, has five sons—Orson, Deane, James H., Jr., Allan and Charles—and all are insurance members of the Order. Deane is a fourth degree member and a past Grand Knight of Chicago Council No. 181. An insurance member of the Order, he is also a member of the Council of Chicago.

Knights Comfort Fire Victims of Quebec

Quebec Council No. 446 turned over its club rooms to care for the children made homeless by fires which swept Catholic institutions in that city shortly before Christmas. The Hospice St. Charles was the first ravished by the flames. Up to three o'clock in the morning a steady stream of automobiles brought the little refugees, terror-stricken and frozen, into the club. Food and beds were provided for forty of the youngsters. Some were taken to the St. Jean Berchmans Boarding School and, two days later, a second fire drove them out of that institution. Many of these, victims of two disasters in three days, were cared for by the Knights of Columbus. The military authorities co-operated by sending coats and blankets to the club rooms, which were turned into dormitories. The nuns in charge of the children did heroic rescue work. The fires are believed to have been of incendiary origin.

Find K. of C. Insurance "Sound, Fair, Efficient"

The following is the conclusion of a report by Howard P. Dunham, Insurance Commissioner of the State of Connecticut, after a thorough examination of the affairs of the Knights of Columbus. The report, which is issued from Hartford, Conn., and is dated December 22, reads: "The Society is in a strong financial condition. Its assets exceed the present value of the benefits promised, computed on the statutory basis, by a substantial amount. The management is attempting to distribute a part of this surplus as equitably and fairly as is possible by the old age benefit concessions, mentioned heretofore, and by waiving some of the monthly assessments. "The management of the Society has been competent, fair in the treatment of its members, and efficient in the conduct of its business. "We desire to express our appreciation of the courtesy extended during the examination by the officers and employees of the Society."

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Two Blank Pages

In the 1928 edition of the Directory of Councils and Officers of the Knights of Columbus, pages thirty-nine and forty are largely blank. Here are listed the numbers, names and location of the Order's Councils in Mexico. The names of the officers are omitted. The reason for the omission is quite simple. To be known as a Knight of Columbus in Mexico, and especially to be known as an officer, is to become a candidate for one of Calles' famous "autopsies" required by the Constitution. These autopsies, performed immediately after the firing squad has finished its work, invariably show the subject's body riddled with rifle bullets and his head shattered by one or more pistol bullets. Hence the blank spaces in the Mexican section of the new directory. The names of Knights of Columbus officers in Mexico would be published if we had confidence that the loudly cheered "good will" missions of Lindberg and Will Rogers transformed Calles from a brutal savage into a civilized human being. With all due respect to the powers of the famous flier and the famous clown, we have no such confidence.

Oklahoma Knights Help Orphans
Oklahoma Council No. 1038, Oklahoma City, recently held a bridge party at which \$150 was raised for the children in St. Joseph's Orphanage. All the parishes of the city co-operated in the affair, which was under the direction of District Deputy J. F. Burns, Grand Knight John E. Wilkinson and the officers of the Council.

Plan Good Friday Observance
Plans to enlist the aid of every Knights of Columbus Chapter in the country are well under way by Pittsburgh Chapter, which sponsors the general observance of Good Friday by a partial or whole day shut down of business houses, theaters and all forms of business. Many encouraging replies have already been received by A. J. Beer, chairman of Pittsburgh Chapter's Catholic Interests Committee. Many General Assemblies of the Fourth Degree are also actively aiding in the Good Friday campaign.

An Important Message

January "Columbus" contains a four page insert of the greatest personal importance to every Knight of Columbus. If your time for reading is so limited that you ordinarily have opportunity only to glance through "Columbus," please make a special effort to read carefully the announcement of a great Order-wide movement for the further progress of the Order which is now under way. Not more than five minutes of your time will be required. We know that, having given that five minutes, you will realize the importance of the message to you and your duty to read it. Read January issue of "Columbus."

One Hundred Sixteenth Semi-Annual Statement

of

THE EAST SIDE SAVINGS BANK

OF ROCHESTER

January 1, 1928

RESOURCES

Mortgages	-----	\$22,549,035.00
United States Bonds	(Market Value) -----	5,049,774.25
Massachusetts State Bonds	(Market Value) -----	145,500.00
Alabama State Bonds	(Market Value) -----	98,000.00
Maryland State Bonds	(Market Value) -----	50,000.00
City of Boston, Mass., Bonds	(Market Value) -----	99,900.00
City of New York Bonds	(Market Value) -----	558,000.00
City of Rochester, N. Y., Bonds	(Market Value) -----	835,250.00
City of Albany, N. Y., Bonds	(Market Value) -----	15,570.00
City of Buffalo, N. Y., Bonds	(Market Value) -----	392,750.00
City of Syracuse, N. Y., Bonds	(Market Value) -----	5,000.00
City of Troy, N. Y., Bonds	(Market Value) -----	17,220.00
Railroad First Mortgage Bonds	(Market Value) -----	2,161,640.00
Collateral Loans	-----	2,100.00
Banking House	-----	478,749.76
Cash on Hand and in Banks	-----	792,238.70
Collectible Interest Due and Accrued	-----	298,257.75
		\$33,548,985.46

LIABILITIES

Due Depositors	-----	\$30,308,671.85
Dividends Accrued to Depositors	-----	97,777.60
Reserved for Taxes and Other Expenses	-----	31,456.01
Surplus	-----	3,111,080.00
		\$33,548,985.46
Surplus (Bonds at Market Value)	-----	\$3,111,080.00
Surplus (Bonds at Amortized Value)	-----	2,907,474.94
Surplus (Bonds at Par Value)	-----	2,809,195.75

Dividends Credited 58,872 Depositors December 1, 1927, at the rate of 4% per annum.

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