

Rochester Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women

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Summer Institute of National Council of Catholic Women

What—N. C. C. W. Institute.
Why—To study N. C. C. W. in relation to the Bishop's Program of Catholic Action.

Where—At the National Catholic School of Social Service, Washington, D. C.

When—June 26 to July 9, 1932.

Total cost for two weeks—\$50.00. When the National Council of Catholic Women was called into being as a part of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, very few of those who participated in that beginning realized either the possibilities or the difficulties incident to such an organization.

To unite all existing organizations of Catholic Women in a country of this size is easier said than done, although the growth and development of the Council to date has already given evidence of what a tremendous instrument for good it may become. We have as yet only scratched the surface. Further accomplishment, however, is dependent on right understanding of the Council and its program. This is particularly necessary on the part of those who are actively engaged in carrying out any part of that program.

In order to bring about such understanding, it has been frequently suggested that some definite plan for studying the problems of organization and program be developed. The possibility has been considered by the National Board for the past two years. It was finally decided that what might be called an Institute be proposed, and that if the response warranted the holding of such an Institute, it should be held during the summer months.

This arrangement would furnish an excellent opportunity for public school teachers to get first hand information of the National Council of Catholic Women. Many of them will be in attendance at the education meeting in Atlantic City immediately preceding the Institute.

There are many advantages in holding such an Institute in Washington. To note a few of them:

1. Since the Institute is to be primarily devoted to studying at close range the organization of N. C. C. W. and N. C. C. W. at no place could this be so well done as in the city where the Headquarters is located.

2. The National Catholic School of Social Service can be the center for the meetings of study groups, and for housing accommodations for members from outside of Washington.

3. Special lectures are available because of the location here of Catholic institutions, governmental and other national agencies.

4. Two weeks spent in the National Capital offers unusual opportunity for visiting the many places of interest in and around the city. Few Americans realize how much

there is of historical interest within easy reach of the nation's capital. The program will be so arranged as to provide time for sight-seeing. Such an Institute should be of special value to all Diocesan Officers and Board Members, Executive Secretaries, Deanery Presidents, Publicity Chairmen, and other women interested in organization work, particularly in the developing of the work of the Lay Apostolate. Any Catholic woman so interested is eligible for enrollment. We are very sure that such a movement once initiated would give a tremendous impetus to the great work of N. C. C. W. and its affiliated groups.

The First N. C. C. W. Institute—Why Not Be a Charter Member?

Proposed Courses
Religion (including Liturgy)
Catholic Lay Action (N. C. C. W., N. C. C. W.)
The Christian Family (ethical and other problems)

Principles of Organization
Interpreted in Diocesan Councils, Deanery Councils, local organizations. Federation-technique.

Administration
Principles of administration
Relation of Council to the Diocesan Bureau of Charities and to the Diocesan Superintendent of Schools.

Headquarters—Need for, equipment for, and simplest type.
Publicity: public speaking, parliamentary law.

Resources Available
Some Phases of Community Organization: Rural Community Organization; Community Centers Government, State, Community agencies or institutions; their availability; resources.

Standards in Social Service
Relation of the volunteer to the trained social workers.

Girls' Welfare, Study Clubs, Immigrant Aid, Parent Teacher Associations, Industrial Problems, International Relations, Legislation, Citizenship, Vacation Schools, Publicity, Special Conferences on Subjects of vital interest.

New Society Members

Since April first the Rochester Diocesan Council has received affiliations from the Rosary and Scapular Society of St. Mary's Church, St. George's, and the International Catholic Federation of Nurses of Elmira, also the first of members of the Daughters of Isabella No. 268 of Newark, Catholic Women's Club of Rochester, and Catholic Women's Federation of Rochester.

Local Knights

Go to Syracuse For Convention

Syracuse, May 13—Members of Rochester Regiment, Knights of St. John participated in the convention of the New York Grand Commandery, held here over the past week-end at which commanderies from New York City, Poughkeepsie, Utica, Kingston, Albany and Syracuse attended.

The opening meeting of the convention took place at the Onondaga hotel where Mayor Marvin welcomed the visitors. The Rochester delegation was headed by General Joseph H. Wells, K.S.G., and Colonel Frank H. Biel, K.S.G.

A prize drill in the evening at the armory was judged by three officers of Rochester Regiment, Major Frederick J. Wegman, Chief of Staff Albert Göttsch and Captain Wendel Maeder. Utica Commandery won the first prize for knights and Syracuse Ladies Auxiliary won in the women's division. A military ball followed. Rochester's delegation was entertained by C. P. Forstach of Syracuse.

Sunday morning a parade of knights in full dress uniform was held from the hotel to the Church of the Assumption. Rochester had 75 men in line. After attendance at high Mass, delegates and visitors were entertained at dinner in the school hall. A musical program was presented.

Organizes Women



Dr. Anne M. Nicholson, field representative of the National Council of Catholic Women, who has recently completed the organization of Diocesan Councils in the Archdiocese of Dubuque and the Diocese of Lincoln. The organization of a Council in the Diocese of Reno is now in progress. (Hoyt Photo)

Federation Plans Card Party For Convention Fund

Mrs. Anna Fuehrer, Chairman, has appointed the following committees to act with her and with Mrs. Anna Fisher, Mrs. Louise Bliger, Mrs. Stella Drexler, Mrs. Anna Knapp, Mrs. Rose Fromm, Mrs. Agnes Steinhilber, Mrs. Edith Elshar, Mrs. Ben Elshar, Mrs. Louise Ribstein, Mrs. Mary Carney, Mrs. Teresa Gans, Mrs. Cecilia Tawman, Mrs. Sophia Kramer, Mrs. Madeline Stogel, Mrs. George Gugel, Mrs. Frank Lill, Mrs. B. Gardner, Mrs. Mary Knapp, Mrs. Mary Holman, Mrs. Mary Mandel, Mrs. Nora Foley, Mrs. Marie Stritt, Mrs. Teresa Weber, Mrs. Nettie Stark, Mrs. Magdalene Schneid, Mrs. Perry Burke, Mrs. D. W. Sullivan, Mrs. Doris Huttling, Mrs. Mary Rooney, Mrs. Elizabeth Cormier, Mrs. Agnes Frankenberg, Mrs. Elizabeth Hart.

Cards and Scores: Mrs. Louise Harter, Mrs. Katherine Stephan, Mrs. Mary Hehnlein, Mrs. Teresa Gutber.

Committee on Prizes: Mrs. Anna Fuehrer, Mrs. Katherine Harter, Mrs. Mildred Meisenzahl, Mrs. Eliza Beth May, Mrs. Mary McKeown. Publicity: Mrs. Marie Donnelly.

Committee on Tickets: Mrs. Mary Kins, Miss Mary Flunace, Miss Stella Drexler.

At the party there will be bridge, five hundred, pinocle and pedro, with a prize for each table. A handsome door prize also will be given. The party is held for the benefit of the convention of the New York State Branch of the Catholic Central Verein and America to be held in this city September 3rd to 5th.

Cathedral Auxiliary Meeting
The regular meeting of Cathedral Branch 262, Knights of St. John Auxiliary, will be held at Cathedral Hall, Monday, May 16th, 1932. The President, Mrs. Maud Murphy, urges all members to be present as this promises to be an interesting meeting.

Nazareth College Activities

The Alice Meynell Literary Club of Nazareth College, held its monthly supper meeting, Tuesday, May 10, on the College Campus. Miss Betty Griffin, president of the Junior Class, was in charge of the literary program. Miss Betty Frank, of the Freshman Class, was in charge of the refreshment committee.

At a Central Council meeting of the Nazareth College Sodality, held on Monday afternoon, May 9, plans were formulated for the annual May Day, and for the presentation of a May Pageant at the close of the month.

Miss Kathryn McCarthy, Chairman of Our Lady's Committee, is arranging the program for the May Day, which will include a May procession, the singing of hymns, and the crowning of Our Lady by the presidents of the various classes. Senior, Grace Murray; Junior, Betty Griffin; Sophomore, Lucille Odenbach; Freshman, Mary Sammons. Acts of Consecration will also be read by these students.

The Poetry Circle, which has been established at Nazareth College held its May meeting, Thursday evening, May 12. The officers are: the Misses Catherine Williamson, Anna Fischette, and Eleanor Heleck.

Holy Name Hears Detective's Talk

At the regular monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society of Corpus Christi Church, Wednesday evening of last week in the church hall, John A. Doyle, director of the Doyle Detective Bureau was the principal speaker. Mr. Doyle reviewed the lives and unhappy deaths of Gerald Chapman and "Dutch" Anderson, internationally known criminals. The speaker drew from the lives of the two that careers of crime do not pay.

When You Make Your Will

Always, in every Diocese, there are churches and institutions which have heavy financial burdens, and whose work is handicapped by these burdens. When you make your will, the best way in the world to help these needy ones is to insert a paragraph something like this in the will:

"I give and bequeath to the Most Rev. John Francis O'Hern, D.D., Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Rochester, N. Y., or his successors in office, the sum of \$_____ to be used at his or their discretion for the work or the institutions of the Diocese."

If you are interested in some particular church, charity or institution a clause like this may be added: "I am interested particularly in _____ Requests, large or small, are a great blessing to religion, and it is highly edifying to read of them in any will. No Catholic will should be without one or more such bequests."

St. Patrick's Cathedral Radio Hour

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of the Church and to participate in her membership. The Gospel shows us the fulfillment of what was predicted by the Epistle. Three kings come from heathen lands, they offer precious and mystical gifts, they pay homage and adoration to the Divine Child and as a reward they receive the gift of faith and grace. What holds true of the Epistle and Gospel of Epiphany is found pretty much so in Masses in honor of the Mother of God. As a consequence, we are constantly having a mystical selection from the Old Testament and the accomplishment of it in the New. The same holds true in regard to many other feasts.

In conclusion, may I also advance another reason for this arrangement of Epistle and Gospel in the liturgy of the Mass? In the Old Law, salvation was not as a reward for good deeds, but as a result of the darkness and shadow of spiritual death. It was a time of anxious waiting, sighing and longing for redemption. To carry out this same idea, in the Mass lessons or Epistles and Gospels are selected to impress the idea of penance upon those who read them. This explains why on all ferial days, from Ash Wednesday until Tuesday of Holy Week, the Church makes use of the Old Testament in her Epistles. The Epistles are chosen to strengthen in the souls of her children a true penitential spirit. As it were, the voice of the past encourages the living of the present. It speaks of the Christ Whom we know and His Kingdom and admonishes that, inasmuch as we have the fulfillment of the Old Law in the New, we should not turn back into the ancient darkness, but the coldness of spiritual death. Hence such Epistles impress upon us the spirit of prayer, fasting and alms giving, to purify and sanctify our souls as well as to bear true blessings.

At the conclusion of the Epistle the server answers: "Deo Gratias"—"Thanks be to God." Surely no word or series of words express better the sentiment found in the heart for such divine instruction. In fact God speaks to us in writing and word as well as in deed. He speaks to us through the Scriptures and through the Church. Though these letters are ancient, still they create supernatural stimulus and courage. As St. Timothy says: "The Scriptures are to instruct us unto salvation, to teach, to reprove, to correct, to indoctrinate in justice, that the man of God may be perfect, and furnished unto every good work." In a word, these Biblical readings plant, the creature waters, but God gives the increment.

If we have a sincere heart there is no doubt of our advancement in the Love of God as the result of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Just as of old during the time of persecution the watch word of Christians was: "Deo Gratias," so now we the heirs of their fidelity and children of divine predilection should raise our hearts in gratitude to God for what we have received and fervently utter: "Thanks be to God." Amen.

Many Epistles are selected from the Old Testament. The reason is that they are a great divine testimony to Christ in His Kingdom. As we know, the Old Testament is prophetic of Christ and His Church. Sometimes these sayings are figurative; at other times they are typical. Now the Church has always loved the Old Testament and incorporated it periodically in her liturgy. Sometimes she discovered it a means of strengthening her position since the mystery involved then becomes revelation now. Hence in the Mass the Epistles are supplementary and explanatory of the Gospels.

We might take a striking example of this in the feast of the Epiphany, the day on which the Church celebrates the divine manifestation of the glory of Christ to the Gentile nations. On this day she unfolds a triple event. She states that the Church is espoused to the heavenly Bridegroom because Christ washed away his sins in the Jordan; the wise men hasten with gifts to the nuptials of the king and the guests rejoice at the changing of water into wine. These three subjects constitute the contents of the feast of the Epiphany. Now the mystery of the marvelous star is emphasized amidst jubilation while the other two facts receive but a passing notice. Accordingly, the Epistle of the day as well as the Gospel contain a magnificent description of the wonderful glory of the new kingdom of grace: "Heavenly kings and nations come from the four corners of the globe to be received into the bosom

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Catholic Action in Poland
Construction has been commenced in Warsaw, Poland, of a large building, under the leadership of His Eminence, Cardinal Kakowski, which will bear the name "Catholic House of Pope Pius XI in memory of the Holy Father who died in Poland at Nuremberg." It will be the headquarters of Catholic Action in the Archdiocese. Large rooms and auditoriums will be available for Catholic Congresses and Conferences. It is being constructed by donations of the clergy and faithful of the Archdiocese of Warsaw.

Important Discussions of Epiphany
Since May is the anniversary month of Pope Pius XI, Encyclical "Quadragesimo Anno" and Pope Leo XIII's Encyclical "Humani Generis," the May issue of Catholic Action, the official magazine of the National Welfare Conference, features a symposium entitled "Epiphany: Consequences of a Great Epiphany." The symposium contains articles by Rev. Dr. John A. Ryan, director, N. W. C. Social Action Department; Rev. Francis X. Foley, Graduate Student, Catholic University of America; Rev. Dr. Joseph Hummel, S.J., Dean, School of Social Work, Loyola University; Rev. Dr. Francis J. Kane, director, National Catholic School of Social Service; J. E. Hagerty, Ph.D., President, Catholic Union of Industrial Workers; Miss Lina E. Brouette, field representative, N. W. C. Social Action Department; and Rev. R. A. McGowan, assistant director, N. W. C. Social Action Department.

At any time the articles would be of importance, but in the transitional period of industrial depression when everyone knows there is something seriously wrong and everyone is waiting for a way to economic freedom and justice, the articles on the labor teaching of the Church are particularly important. They are not a complete commentary on the Epiphany about which volumes have been and will be written; but they are a stimulus to every Catholic of every walk of life to read and study the original documents. Two excellent methods are proposed for leaders of Catholic lay societies to present these

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