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stand clearly, as all Catholics ought | ble Judge, did not think it superto understand, that of themselves stitious; she even approved of the these tiny tissue-baper pictures nossess "no hidden virtue or power" whatever; that, independent of God's opponent, whom we quoted above, help, they can no more produce admits that when such devotions health than can any other piece of "are approved or tolerated by the printed paper. But they further un- Church, they cannot in themselves derstand, as all Catholics ought to be otherwise than desirable and understand, that this pious practice praiseworthy". And such is surely is simply the natural expression of the devotion of avallowing Perpetual deepseated internal plety; and that Help waters. Should anyone therewhen this practice is accompanied by fore condemn this practice, he would a humble and trustful prayer it can- be guilty of pointing an accusing not but be pleasing to the Holy finger at the Church herself, who for Mother of God, it cannot but move so many centuries has set her seal of her to aid them by her all-powerful approval upon it. intercession and thus obtain for them the grace and gift they beg. That is the mind of Catholics who the mind that was not condemned by practice this devotion, and that is in itself, then God would never have the Council of Trent. Hence, such sanctioned it by His miracles. Yet persons are neither "savages" be- we know, especially from the history lieving "in their fetishes," nor "In- of the eighteenth century, that mirdians" trusting "in their amulets", acles were wrought by just such a They are fervent Catholics, possess- means. Then it was that the custom ing a large measure of lowly faith was in vogue of swallowing little and a large measure of trustful love; leaflets impressed with an image of Catholics cultivating a devotion not the Immaculate Conception of Mary "ridiculous" nor "contemtible" nor to show thereby one's faith and be-charter members present. "mad." nor "unworthy of Christian lief in that prerogative of the Mother Eckl. John Wahl, Jacob Wahl, Ed-Fand civilized countries"; but utterly of God. At the time (1752), the mund Braun, August Schuhart, safe and sane, plous and praise. Rev. Andrew Budrioli, S.J., wrote a George Metzger. Charles Claus. worthy, and only to be encouraged in book treating of these matters, George Lings. Robert Knittle and Christian and civilized countries which he entitled "The Leaflets of John Stark. Nine of them are still where people can easily distinguish the Immaculate Conception, and the with the commandery while the between what is superstitious and Lawfulness of their Use." Yester-others have passed on to eternity. vhat is not

What Harm?

Not only is this practice free from all moral evil, but it is free from all physical evil as well. For what harm can the swallowing of little pictures of thinly-made tissue-paper, scarcely the size of a penny postage stamp, do totist magazines. Here is one in first vice-president; he was also the body even of an invalid? Sure stance. taken from "Perpetual captain from 1910 to 1923. Eugeno ly no one will say that danger lurks Help," and they, as their predeces- Boor succeeded him. John Braun in the ink used to impress the pic-sora, are also working wonders, as is the present captain. ture on the paper. Why, far more one gleans from a casual reading of candy; yet, who would object to ext-

A strong argument for the lawfulness and harmlessness, of swallowin the Church's constant attitude towards this devotion. For centuries the Church has been aware of the practice of this devotion here and there throughout Christendom, even as she is aware of it today; yet not once has she ever formally disapproved of it, in that she has acknowledged, in cases of beatification and canonization, miracles wrought by this means as true and genuine. In proof of this the Rev. J. Kannengieser, C. SS. R. whose elaborate treatise on this subject in "La Sainte Famille" we are following, alleges the process of beatification of St. Francis Caracciolo and the canonization of St. Antoninus. In addition he states that in the Papal Bull an-Raymond of Pennaforte there is related the story of two sick persons little dust from his grave. "And," dust". Yet the Church, that infalli-

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practice by publishing it in the shove-mentioned Bull. And even our

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Again, if the swallowing of these tiny tissue-paper pictures were evil day's leaflets of the immaculate Conception have become today leaflets of Perpetual Help; and they, as 1911. Jacob Wahl was the first their predecessors, are also working Captain and held that position for wonders, as one gleams from a 12 years. Charles Claus was first casual reading of the pages of "La treasurer and Edmund Braum, first Sainte Famille" and other Redemp-

pictures I woke up one morning, and on. as I was rising from my bed. coughed up blood from my lungs; the sputum from my lungs was clear.

being cured by simply swallowing a by three diseases, at the same time, lasting a period of six months. wisely remarks Fr. Henze, C. SS. R. Three doctors were called in to care "if it were supstitious to swallow a for him, but they could effect nothpiece of paper, the same would have ing; nay, they even began to despair to be said of swallowing a little of his ever getting any better. A very high fever was burning him up. As I looked at him one Sunday morning, I gave up all hope, for every-Programs, Banquet and thing seemed to point to his impend-Wedding Announcements | ing death. I cante the suddenly the doctors did not come. Suddenly I heard the bells of St. Augustine's church announcing the joyful feast of our Mother of Perpetual Help. Then the idea struck me to give my little Charles now the brink of death one of our Mother of Perpetual Help's wafers to swallow. As I did this, I prayed: "Save him, O Mother of Perpetual Help, and I promise you that if you free him from this danger, I will offer up a novena of Holy Communions to you." O the wonderful goodness of Mary! Immediately my dying son fell asleep, and after three hours of sound sleep. he awoke asking me for something to eat. His temperature fell to normal. Shortly after one of the doccondition of Charles, exclaimed: What has happened? I see an in-

blasphemous. "Two Favors Granted Lastly, who would dare to impute to a Saint of God's Church, Alphon-

sus Liguori, the sin of superstition?

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of the 1st N. Y. Regiment of the Knights of St. John Commanderies and **Auxiliaries**

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Holy Family Commandery 197 Hoty Family Commandery, 197. dates back to September 29, 1891 At that time there existed in Hol Family Church, a society known as "St. Leopoid's Union." Owing to some dissatisfaction among different members, nine of them resigned from the Union and formed St. Theodore's Commandery 197. The name, "St. Theodore" was obtained from the pastor, who always celebrated his feast on that day. Father Laurenzis assisted the nine members in the promotion of this new commandery.

The first meeting was held in October of 1891 with the following John Eckl was the first president and held that office from 1891 to

secretary. Robert Knittle was first,

The first turnout of the injurious matter can be found in the the pages of "La Sainte Famille" mandery was held on Columbus smallest piece of artificially-colored and other Redemptorist magazines. Day. October 12, 1892 with twenty-Here is one instance, taken from four members in full dress uniform "Perpetual Help," a magazine pub- not including the officers. The lished at Seattle, Washington: "Rev. event was the first Holy Communion nual inspection and ball, Monday C. M. Dear Father: I am kindly asking of the parish. At this time, and of evening, May 1. Details will be an you, Father if you will please publish course, this being the first turnout this great favor received through the of the commandery, the members in intercession of our Blessed Mother full dress uniform made quite a of Perpetual Help About a week showing and this had much to do Catholic Women after I received the blessed wafer with obtaining new members later

> spot in the history of the Comshortly after I swallowed a blessed mandery was the celebration of the wafer picture, also one at twilight, silver jubilee in October, 1916. This and my nerves seemed to be calmed affair was one of rare solemnity in a short while, and after I had a Nearly fifty members participated. grand night's sleep. By the 15th of All were in full dress uniform and those who patronize our paper." August, the Feast of the Assumption, received Holy Communion in a body After this a parade was held, the so that I feel that our Blessed members with their drum corps, par- was headed from "Analecta C. SS. R.," published which many prominent speakers, women follows: at Rome: both clergy and laymen, made "To demonstrate"

members. escorted the following priests who to sign the coupon below.

were born and brought up in Holy "It does not obligate to Thomas Stafford, John J. Baier, Jo-ifornia Register possible. seph Baier, John Bier, Joseph Baierl, Joseph Haitz, S.J., J. Knell, you can render a valuable service to was such that each local organiza-C. SS. R.; Michael Voelkl, S.J.; F. your Bishop by promptly signifig and tion should find some special way of Mensing, O.F.M.; Joseph Wurzer, mailing this coupon." Michael Wurzer, George Weinmann, Frederick Straub, Francis X. Kunz.

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his famous sermon on the Immacu- chaplain of the local court, addressed chiffon and organdic is popular for late Conception of Mary, there we the members on the vital importance evening wear. Necklines are high, shall find these convincing words of of the diocesan paper and its need shoulders broad and sleeves billows the Holy Doctor, touching this plous of satisfied advertisers. practice: "Finally," he says, "in tors arrived and seeing the changed confirmation of this great privilege "you can secure more than a huncured. But I shall return in the daily pleased to dispense throughout with those members who are not here Suits both mannish and feminine are evening." When he returned he the Kingdom of Naples by means of touight and inform them. When he returned he the Kingdom of Naples by means of touight and inform them of tonight's popular. found Charles playing with his com- the pictures (i. e. waters) of the resolution. panions. And having heard what Immaculate Conception." Moreover, the Mother had done, he declared: he affirms that two wonderful cures Never have I doubted that the were wrought by himself by this Fashion Shows Blessed Virgin is the Help of the means. He gave to his piece, Maria Sick, more powerful than all the doc- Theresa, who had lost the use of her tors in the world." Since therefore voice, several little pictures to swal-God rewards those who practice this low; and after swallowing them, she devotion with striking wonders, who regained the use of her voice. On will say that this practice smacks of another occasion he healed a large have recourse to the Most Holy for the coming Spring, Sacrament, to the Crucifix, to the Graceful mannequins pirouetted usage is emphasised. Bags are of a Virgin Mary, to St. Anthony of about the specially built platforms softer, more pliable leather than in Padua, to St. Vincent Ferrer, supply as the stylists poured into attentive former sessons. Hats include sail. oil for their lamps, use the leasets ears the latest in fashions.

of the Immaculate Mary or the pictures of some Saint; and in this manner, without sinning (it would be Eleanor Blue made famous by the shown are arranged in at the budginning if it were superstitious!), country's First Lady, Mrs. Frankling get of even the conservative buser.

have no right to censure those who both for street and evening west light to censure those who both for street and evening west light power against us than when Cotton is coming shork spain this otta in secret.

Directs Study Club



Mrs. Harry A. LaBerge of Yakima. Washington, who is the National Chairman of Study Clubs and Member of the Board of Directors of the National Council of Catholic Women. Mrs. LaBerge had charge of the successful Study Club program at the recent Regional Conference of the N. C. C. W, held in San Francisco-at which twelve Diocesan Councils

were represented,

Three Commanderies Plan Inspection May 1

Three combined commanderies of he first New York State Regiment, Knights of St. John, St. Mauritius, 9; St. Eustace, 39; and St. Boniface, 25, will hold, in compliance with York, the expense of music and many general orders issued by Inspector incidental expenses in connection General R. E. Walts of the Supreme with the relations between the Staff, Knights of St. John, their an-Broadcasting Company and the N. C. nounced later.

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far as is possible, to give support to Asks 1,000 to Sign

The notice preceding the coupon "Bishop Armstrong stated that this help should be not Mother interceded for me through ading through the different streets Wants 1.000 Catholic Women To so much by individual contribution the devout use of the little picture. in the vicinity of the parish. Later Sign This Coupon and Mail it to as the amiliation of existing Catholic. "A Child of Mary's." And another. in the day, a banquet was served at from "Analecta C. SS. R." published which many prominent speakers, women follows:

speeches of great interest and Catholic people to the official paper Hour, the Catholic Information Charles, my fifth son, was attacked praised the work of both officers and of their church—to show merchants Bureau, and all of the work that the and business men that the purchas-During the existence of the Com- ing power of Catholic people can be has undertaken to do. The nominal mandery up to the present time, the favorably influenced by advertising affiliation foe, which does not exfull dress members turned out and in The Register—you are now asked ceed \$15.00 for local organizations,

"It does not obligate you to spend Societies of the country, would be Family parish and read their first any more than usual-it merely ample to carry on the plan without Holy Mass in the parish of their pledges you to patronize, as far as financial embarrassment. He stated birth: the Reverend Fathers John P. Schellhorn. Leo Hofschneider. George W. Eckl, Peter A. Erras. the publication of The Superior Cal-

"Without any additional expense, the national work being carried on "Let every one of us work to make filiation; that these affiliations tend-

this resolution bear fruit," said Mrs. ed to increase the unity among the J. Reber and M. Wagner. Three of Thomas Patterson, Grand Regent of Laymen of the United States, and the above priests, Fathers Eckl, the C. D. of A. unit, after the rego- that unity which is the aim of the Erras and Stafford celebrated their lution of support was passed unan-Hierarchy among Laymen would-first Holy Masses on the same Sun-imously. "I ask each one here pres-never be complete until all of the ent to sign that coupon at souce and mail it to our beloved Bishop." Father William Clark, O.F.M.

evening wear, absolutely passe.

"From our own chapter," he said, of Mary, we may be allowed to add dred signatures of those who will the well-known, innumerable, and pledged themselves to do as our Mess jackets and gandy striped Tib-

Usher in Spring Styles at Stores all gowns be form fitting and just a little longer than in previous sea-

According to the calendar the Many of the models of the youngsuperstition? Who will say that by wound in her leg by applying to it a Spring season is not due for another or set's costumes were the Alice in granting these favors God Himself little picture of the Sorrowful week but the shops of Rochester Wonderland bandeau that we have encourages superstition? That were Mother. To Alphonsus, then, this jumped shead of the calendar and fead so much about lately. They blashberrous.

devotion was in no wise super-formally ushered her in this week to also wore rhinestone bracelets, eithstitious. As a matter of fact, after the tune of at least four fashion or several on each arm or five or six condemning certain practices that shows. Eagerly the women of the on one arm. were really superstitions, he thus city thronged to their layorite shop. The accessories, we are told, are wrote concerning it. "When you are and there, under the spell of sweet a necessary part of every outlit and depressed with sorrows and cares, music, viewed the latest in fashions must match in color as near as pos-

D. Roosevelt, led the parade of col-Clearly then the useof such wafers ors. Gray in all shades and tints We must often remember what as those of Perpetual Help is both also proved to be popular. Mascara Christ said, that not be why begins lawful and laudable; and although brown and a new shade, eel brown, but he that perseyers to the end their use is not commanded by the made popular by the eminent Schiz-shall be saved. Church, yet on this account they parelli, are leaders for business and who do not approve of this practice, street wear. Prints are being used . The infernal enemy has never

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known the beliefs and doctrines of

Bishop Schrombs was in attend-

ance at the session of the board

meeting held on Sunday, March 5,

bringing a message of encouragement

to the members of the Executive

and take back to their respective

States the urgent call for help. He

part in the support of the Radio

National Council of Catholic Men

if paid he even a majority of the Lay

penses, but that the importance of

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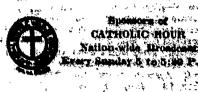
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most importance in every wardrobe.

Committee, urging them to carry on

the Catholic Church.



By FREDERICK J. MIX President of Rochester Diocesan Council N. C. C. M. The quarterly meeting of the Na-men's organizations of the country tional Executive Committee was held were smilated with the national orman washington upon call of the ganization. Bishop Schrembs made President, Dr. Thomas E. Purcell, it clear that it was not the function on March 5 and 6. Twelve of the of the N. C. C. M. to leasen in any diffeen national directors were pres- way the autonomy of any atteiting or

ent; two were unable to come be-ganization, or even interfere with cause of the closing of the banks in any program of Catholic Action betheir states prior to the national ing carried on by a local organisa-bank holiday. bank holiday. The important matter to come be of the N. C. O. M. to lend a helping ore the Board had to do with n hand to each affiliated society in augnance, and particularly with finance geating a program where no program with reference to the support of the exists, supplementing any existing Radio Hour. Due no doubt to the program with any information de-depression, the voluntary contribusired, at the same time carrying on tions which the N. C. C. M. has so in a national way the fixed policy de-

licited and gladly received to aid in termined by the Hierarchy for the

this work, have accordingly de Laymen of the country. reased in number and amount. The At the conclusion of the huminess interest in the Catholic Hour, how- of the committee on Manday, Dr. ever, has increased, as evidenced by Purcell, accompanied by Father the large number of letters that still Michael J. Reidy, called at the White pour in as a result of the national House and pledged the loyalty of the broadcast, so that while the revenue Catholic Laity of the country to the for the operation of the Catholic President in the crisis then impend-Hour has been steadily diminishing, ing.

the clerical work necessary to an-swer all inquiries has perceptibly in-of the N. C. W. C. was unable to be creased. At the present moment at the meeting because of his prevififty-four stations are on the Na-tional Hour hookup, and while the National Broadcasting Company the former Apoatolic Deligate to the donstes its station service, there is United States, Archibishop Funnaconi certain expense incidental to arrange. Blonds, who has been elevated to the ment of program which must all be Cardinaler.

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