

AUBURN PREPARES RECEPTION FOR N. C. C. W. DELEGATES ON JULY 28

By PAUL W. PINCKNEY. Auburn — Delegates from affiliated organizations in Ithaca, Rochester, Elmira, Geneva, Auburn and surrounding villages and towns will assemble in Auburn Saturday, July 28, for the quarterly meeting of the Rochester Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women.

The meeting will open at 9 o'clock Saturday morning with Mass and other services at Holy Family Church in North Street. Very Rev. Dean John A. Conway, pastor of the church and head of the Auburn Diocese, will be the celebrant of the Mass.

After the church services the board of directors will meet in the library of Holy Family School to consider various business matters of importance. Miss Cecelia Yawman of Rochester, president of the Diocesan Council, will preside at the session.

At 12:30 o'clock a luncheon will be served in the Holy Family Auditorium to which all Catholic women, whether members of the organization or not, are privileged to attend. Mrs. John O'Toole of Auburn will be the toastmistress. The after-luncheon program will consist of speaking, musical numbers, solos, quartets and sextets.

At the open meeting, following the luncheon to be held in the library there will be a forum for discussion of various phases of the work of the

Charity Nuns Begin Vacation Schools In Rochester Diocese

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Educational authorities here have commended the undertaking, and it is hoped that vacation schools will increase in this diocese. In Rochester, during this summer, there are five vacation schools operating at St. Patrick's School, St. Anthony's, Genesee Institute, Charles House and Merrimac Center. The teaching staff of the schools consists of the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Trinity, and volunteer workers, including students from Nazareth College, St. Andrew's Seminary, Nazareth Academy, and Our Lady of Mercy High School. During the school year, in the diocese of Rochester, religious instruction is given by teachers of other communities to children who attend churches that have no parochial schools.

Vacation School Gives Children First View Of Balls, Bats, Marbles

Ojo Felice, N. Mex. (NCWC). — There are boys and girls in the United States who, until this summer, never saw balls, bats, tops, marbles, and jumping ropes, much less knew how to play with them.

A religious vacation school conducted in this little mountain village by the Missionary Catechists from Holman, N. Mex., revealed this fact. The Catechists have finally succeeded in teaching the boys to play baseball, but they cannot persuade them to put the marbles on the ground, since they fear that they will get dirty. Neither will they kick the football. It is too precious for that. The top seems destined to remain a mystery to them, for none can learn to spin it.

Be as a tower, that firmly set, shakes not its top for any blast that blows. Dante.

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ULSTER MEETING OF CATHOLICS GREAT SUCCESS

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clates of Catholic Truth Society of Ireland, praying every success may attend annual Conference on Catholic Action." The message was signed by His Eminence Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, Papal Secretary of State.

Perfect peace prevailed during the week of the Conference and there were no unseemly incidents. If a few Orange zealots beat their drums defiantly, they beat nothing else.

The difficulty over the renting of the Ulster Hall for the purpose of holding a Missionary Exhibition resulted in a withdrawal in the interest of peace and the exhibition, opened the day preceding the Congress in a large hall attached to the Dominican Convent in the Falls Road, lent by the nuns, and an auxiliary missionary exhibition arranged by the Apostolic Workers' Societies was held in Ard Sgoil, Belfast.

Mission Aid Asked

Making a direct appeal for help for the Missions, the Most Rev. Daniel Mageean, Bishop of Down and Connor, said: "Ask yourself the pertinent question: If those young men and women have felt the call of Christ and got up and left their native land and gone out into the foreign missionary field what am I doing here sitting at home? Do I try to realize the conditions in which they live and am I doing even a little to help them? Go around those stalls and make an examination of your conscience."

The Most Rev. Ignatius Shanahan, Titular Bishop of Abila, representing the Committee of all the Missionary Societies in the Exhibition, thanked Bishop Mageean for making the exhibition possible.

Asia, Africa and the islands of the Pacific, said Bishop Shanahan, are actually represented there by the missionaries in person. He thanked the Bishop on behalf of the millions of poor Africans, Chinese and Indians among whom the missionaries were working and spoke the love and affection of the millions to whom the Faith was being brought from Catholic Ireland and Belfast itself.

Calls Attention To Medical Course For Future Missionaries

The Rev. John A. Lynch, C.S.S.R., stationed at St. Joseph's Church calls attention of the many interested and cooperating in the work of Catholic Medical Missions to the Medical Mission Course now in progress in New York City for American missionary Priests, Brothers, and Sisters destined to leave for foreign fields in the fall.

Conducted under the auspices of the Catholic Medical Mission Board and with the cooperation of the New York Chapter of the American Red Cross, the course is giving to future missionaries a practical understanding of the fundamentals of medicine, dentistry, first aid and kindred subjects expected to be of invaluable assistance where doctors and dentists are few and far between.

Noted surgeons and physicians and leaders in Red Cross work are giving the courses in such subjects as sanitation, shocks and dislocations, hemorrhage, insect borne diseases, materia medica, infectious and quarantine, dentistry, poisons, suffocations and resuscitation, and medical and surgical diagnosis.

Morning sessions are held at the headquarters of the Catholic Medical Mission Board, 8 and 10 West 17 Street, New York and afternoons are devoted to clinical work at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York. The course opened July 2 and will continue until August 3.

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50,000 PLEDGES SIGNED WITH MORE TO COME

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September. The conference will be held under the auspices of the Motion Picture Research Council.

Washington, July 14. (NCWC)—Publication of pastoral letters of three additional members of the Hierarchy and reports of progress from other dioceses in the signing of pledges of the Legion of Decency marked the campaign today for a clean-up of the motion picture industry.

The Most Rev. William Turner, Bishop of Buffalo, in a pastoral letter, said: "The sins of the moving picture are not essential or inherent. They are incidental, and arise, not from the use, but from the abuse of that form of amusement. To meet this abuse, expatiation and protest have proved futile. Catholics have decided to hit at the vulnerable heart of the industry, the box office, and have inaugurated a campaign of abstention from those pictures which, from the point of morality and decency, are objectionable."

The Most Rev. Edmond Heelan, Bishop of Sioux City, also issued a call for co-operation in the campaign in a pastoral letter. He made mention of immoral exhibitions at the World's Fair, and said: "As with the producers of the immoral and disgraceful movies it is a question of money, and nothing, no matter how disreputable, must stand in the way of making it. The money making methods of these people are on a level with the methods of the kidnaper and the racketeer. We look upon these as enemies of society. Why should those who commercialize moral filth be treated with greater consideration?"

The action of persons of other religious denominations in joining in the crusade launched by the Catholic Church was praised in a pastoral letter issued by the Most Rev. Joseph E. McCarthy, Bishop of Portland, Maine. "Not only have our Catholic people rallied their forces to the appealing standard of purity and proper conduct," Bishop McCarthy said, "but those of many other denominations outside our Faith have applauded our earnest and honest attack upon those agents of iniquity, the debauched and degraded source of entertainment from a perverted and sinful screen."

Other Faiths Report

An interdenominational conference of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, held in New York July 13, voted to present a "united front" of the 22,000,000 membership of the churches represented in Protestant groups in support of the campaign launched by the Catholic Church. The organization also adopted the Legion of Decency pledge to withhold patronage from objectionable films. Copies, it was announced, will be sent to 100,000 Protestant ministers for circulation.

Additional Jewish agencies have, in the meantime, voted support to the combined religious drive, while the Jewish press in many sections of the country has endorsed the efforts of religious bodies to secure more wholesome films.

The crusade in the Diocese of Richmond reports a large enrollment. The Catholic Students' Mission Crusade of the Diocese passed a resolution at its annual meeting pledging full support to the campaign, it was announced by the Rev. Edward L. Stephens, Diocesan Director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Recalls Bishop Work

New York, July 14.—Despite various claims of organizations and individuals that they were first to call for a campaign to compel motion picture producers to improve the moral standard of films, the credit belongs to the Episcopal Committee on Motion Pictures and the Catholic Press of the country, The Catholic News, Archdiocesan weekly says in an editorial entitled "Tracing the Motion Picture Crusade."

"For a long time—several years in fact—efforts had been made to induce motion picture producers to reform," the editorial says, "but until the Catholic Bishops provided in the Legion of Decency an effective means of protest nothing came of earlier attempts to clean the films."

The editorial then recites how week after week the Catholic Press has been telling the story of the progress of the crusade, and adds: "It was not until, by means of these news stories in the Catholic Press, the Catholics of the country became aware that something was happening."

"Were it not for the Catholic Bishops and the Catholic Press," the editorial states, "the motion picture menace to morals would not be on the way to the remedy that seems now at hand."

36 Chiefs Are Alumni Of College in Africa

Katende, Africa (NCWC Files)—St. Mary's College, Kisumu, Uganda, which has just celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its foundation counts 36 native chiefs among its alumni. More than 500 alumni of St. Mary's gathered from all parts of Uganda to join in the jubilee celebrations.

Okanechee, Wis.—(NCWC) — The Cistercian Fathers of the monastery of Our Lady of Spring Bank have opened Spring Bank Manor, a vacation home for priests on the banks of picturesque Lake Okauchewee.

Weekly Calendar of Feast Days

- Sunday, July 22.—St. Mary Magdalen. Monday, July 23.—St. Apollinaris. Tuesday, July 24.—St. Christina. Wednesday, July 25.—St. James, Apostle. Thursday, July 26.—St. Arne. Friday, July 27.—St. Pantaloon. Saturday, July 28.—SS. Nazarius and Celsus.

Why Do Catholics Pray To Mary?

Catholic devotion to the Mother of God has been the custom in the Church from the earliest days of Christianity. This is proved by the writings of the early Fathers and by the still relics in the catacombs. But, remember, all our prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary have just two purposes. First, pleasing Almighty God, by honoring, revering and praising His mother, upon whom He conferred the highest of honors. Second, to plead for her intercession before the throne of God for our worldly needs.

This is typified by our great and most frequently used prayer to Mary—the Ave Maria:

Hail, Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. (Words of honor, praise and exaltation, spoken by the Angel Gabriel and St. Elizabeth, as shown in your own Bible, Luke 1, 28-42.)

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. (No worship, just a plea for our Blessed Mother's prayers now and just before we are to meet our God.)

The Catholic devotion to the Blessed Virgin is so beautiful, so inspiring, so well authenticated, that we cannot understand why the Religious Revolutionists of the sixteenth century, could, with any sincerity, throw out the Queen of Heaven from their churches, allowing the Catholic Church alone to fulfill Mary's own prophecy: "From henceforth all generations shall call me blessed."—Luke 1:48.

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Mrs. George Mann, president of the group, has appointed Mrs. James H. Ryan as chairman of arrangements, assisted by a large list of hostesses and the following committee:

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