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Franciscans Announce Theme of Congress
St. Louis — "The Message of St. Francis for Our Times" is to be the theme of the Franciscan Third Order Congress to be held October 6 to 8, it was announced today at the office of the secretary, the Rev. Maximus Poppy, O. F. M.

REDS PLAYED AT COLLEGE EDITORS MEET

Papers Must Hit Anti-Social Doctrines, Jesuit Priest Tells Editors

CINCINNATI (INC) Resolutions to stress positive Catholic doctrine and to oppose Communism to adopt a vigorous stand for world peace, to oppose modern materialistic education and immorality among youth, and to undertake an active campaign against neo-paganism in literature, art, music and the drama were adopted by the Jesuit college newspaper editors at their three-day convention held under auspices of The Xavier News on the Xavier University campus.

Permanent organization of the group attending the convention is the Jesuit College Newspaper Association with headquarters at Xavier University for one year, was effected Vincent E. Smith editor, The Xavier News, was named president, James A. Kearns, Jr., editor, The St. Louis University News, vice-president, Robert A. Pascol, editor, The Maroon, Loyola University New Orleans, secretary, and Patrick J. Mulline, editor, The Rockhurst College Sentinel, Kansas City, treasurer.

The Rev. Frederick Stedeburg, S. J., executive dean of the University of Detroit, spoke on "The Collegiate Press and Communism."

"At the present time there is a mania to beatrith men and issues with the Communist label without the shadow of reason," Father Stedeburg said. "President Roosevelt is trying to save Capitalism, Pope Pius XI and Leo XIII were called Socialists because they advocated social justice for the masses."

"On many economic points the Christian and the Communist might agree. But the Christian must insist on the right of private property, because it is an inalienable human right."

Denial of God and Communism is a philosophy that denies God but defies crucifixion, and here the Christian must part company.

"In detail, Communism says that marriage is a private affair, and as a matter of fact, promotes free love. Communism says the child does not belong to the parent but to the State. It advocates class struggle and is in essence a gospel of hate. These anti-social doctrines which are the heart of Communism and are at war with Christianity must be assailed by the college newspaper. If Communism prevails future generations will be victims of the crues materialism, its regimentation, its denials of individualism and its dragging down of all to the level of the lowest."

Contests Planned

The organization plans to sponsor a rotogravure insert for the Jesuit college newspapers, and to conduct contests throughout the year for the best-written editorials and news stories relating to their platform.

Ten of the 24 Jesuit colleges in the United States sent delegates to the convention.

Reviews St. Joseph Parish's 100 Years

Early Beginnings Traced As Parish Approaches Centenary Dates

(Leading up to the Centenary of St. Joseph's Church, Franklin Street, Rochester, to be celebrated in October a series of articles, first of which appears below, will be presented in the CATHOLIC COURIER from week to week. The articles will be prepared by the Redemptorist Fathers in charge of St. Joseph's.)

By REV. WILLIAM A. DOHERTY, Rochester, N. Y.

For many generations the curious eyes of children have seen that name on their maps in school. From their geographies they have gleaned the facts that have placed this City Beautiful among the distinctive cities of the world. There is one significant fact, however, that escapes the consideration of geographers. Historians seize upon it merely as a matter of record. And to the countless throngs that have come and gone with the passing years the deep significance, the utter importance of this elusive fact means nothing. Does it mean anything to the present generation that the Church has grown up with the city? That fact has cast its influence upon the destinies of this City. Many cities have not been as fortunate as Rochester. Immigrants have come from their native lands rich with the Faith of Christ in their hearts. They settled down in this Land of Promise, and their eyes grew ambitious with the vision of the future. As they walked into that glorious dawn, pursuing the enchantments of wealth and happiness and promising opportunities, their hearts grew cold.

No Priests

The old Faith was losing its ardor. The glow from the pulpit was no longer heard; the priestly hand was no longer raised in benediction; there were no priests to save these people from this dreary life of defeat and the ignorance of their children's children have been lost to the Faith of Christ.

In the Divine Providence of God, Rochester was favored with ministrations of God's anointed followers, even from its incipient years. There was one church burdened with the care of all the faithful, and it was straining heroically to meet the demands made upon it. God intervened to relieve that strain.

In October, 1835, a Redemptorist, the Rev. Joseph Prost, was made to realize vividly how God uses not the hand of the strong, but the weak, and the ignorant to confound the wise and the strong, but also how He uses inconceivable ways and means to carry out His Divine plans and accomplishments.

Found German Catholics

A break in the old Erie Canal forced Father Prost to disembark and remain in Rochester until the break was repaired and his journey resumed. Here he found a



Late Father Neumann

very large German population and the zeal that was sending him to Wisconsin to establish a Redemptorist foundation made him linger for a time among these people. In parting with them he promised either to return himself or to send another Redemptorist to be the pastor of their flock.

Sparks from the flaming eloquence of Father Prost set fire to hearts that were ready for the flame. He had urged these people to establish a church of their own and with strong confidence in his promise to return they set about to take heed of his counsel. Representative men among them, by name, the Messrs. Bernard Klem, Ignatius Elshorn and John Weiman, purchased property on Erie Street, December 7, 1835. This was the site on which the First African Methodist Episcopal Church was situated. This information was forwarded to Father Prost. He declared they would transform the present building into a Catholic Church and prepare quarters for the pastor. He responded to the call with a joyful heart. In the Spring of 1836 he despaired of founding a Community in Green Bay, Wisconsin, and proceeded to Rochester.

Upon his arrival he met another priest whom Bishop Du Bois instructed to stop off at Rochester on his way to Buffalo and to administer to the people. This is coincidental, because this young priest is now being considered for the honors of the altar, the Rev. John Nepomucene Neumann. He died as a Redemptorist. He was impressed by Father Prost to the extent that he desired to come to join the Redemptorist Order. He left Father Prost in the embrace of those good people and in charge of the New German Church, which was the beginning of the present St. Joseph Parish.

NEW YORK CITY AWAITING COMING OF NAME MEN

National Convention Program Takes Shape; G-Man Slated Speaker

NEW YORK New York City awaits the opening of the National Convention of the Holy Name Society, which will be held September 17-20.

Many Holy Name services have been held in St. Patrick's Cathedral, but the Solemn Pontifical Mass on Thursday morning, September 17, at the first Holy Name gathering within that historic building being attended by representatives from all parts of the country. His Eminence Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York and patron of the Convention, will preside at the Mass, which will be celebrated by the Most Rev. Stephen J. Donahue, Auxiliary Bishop of New York. Bishops, monsignori and clergy will be present.

On the afternoon of the first Convention day the spiritual directors will meet to discuss problems and programs of the society. The Memorial Pontifical Mass for deceased members of the Holy Name Society will be offered in the Cathedral on Friday, the second day of the convention. The celebrant will be the Most Rev. John F. Noll, Bishop of Fort Wayne, who is Episcopal Chairman of the Department of Lay Organizations of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. The program will be presided by the Most Rev. Peter L. Irwin, Coadjutor Bishop of Richmond.

Bishop Irwin has long been a Holy Name leader.

The Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O.P., Archbishop of Cincinnati, will conduct the negotiations at the Solemn Holy Eucharist which will be held in the stadium at Randall's Island.

Saturday has been designated as "Youth Day." The Pontifical Mass on that day will be offered by the Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago. The Most Rev. John A. Duffy, Bishop of Syracuse, will preach the sermon. He will announce at National Headquarters the J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will address the session on the Holy Name Society as a factor in crime prevention.

The convention will close with a great outdoor rally at Randall's Island stadium on Sunday afternoon. The demonstration will mark the six hundred and sixty-second anniversary of the founding of the Holy Name movement. Before leaving for Europe His Excellency the Most Rev. Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, promised to be present at this exercise.

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Erect New Province Of Moncton, Canada

VATICAN CITY — (INC) — Aeta Apostolic See has just published the Papal Bulls announcing the erection of the new ecclesiastical Province of Moncton in Canada.

The new Province is formed by the Archdiocese of Moncton and two suffragan Bishops, the Diocese of Chatham and the Diocese of St. John formerly included in the ecclesiastical Province of Halifax.

No atheist, no agnostic, no infidel, no sinner, has any objection to the home of his own concerning heaven. It appeals to the human heart and therefore is embraced lovingly. While my reason tells me that God is everywhere by the presence of His love, His peace, His happiness. — Bishop Noll.

Women's Club Lists Officials Meeting

Officers, directors and chairmen of Standing Committees of the Catholic Women's Club will meet for the first time following a summer recess on Friday evening, Sept. 11, at 8 o'clock.

Members returning for the Fall activities of the club will find that under the supervision of the house chairman, Mrs. Louis A. Whalen, many changes and improvements have been made in the decorations and furnishings of the interior of the club house.

Miss Lucy R. Sheridan is serving for a second term as President of the Catholic Women's Club. Mrs. Mary A. Buelle is program chairman and Mrs. Robert C. Hartman is chairman of membership.

There can be no conversation where the patience to listen to what others say is lacking.

THRONG OF FRIENDS PAY FINAL TRIBUTE TO MRS. P. J. KANE, NOTED LAYWOMAN

Little Flower, Rosarian Society and the Catholic Daughters of America, particularly in that parish until her death. She was an intimate and lifelong friend of the late Bishop John Francis O'Hern and was known to a wide circle of friends as a tireless worker for the Church.

She was a former president of the Ladies' Aid Society and besides the other organizations who honored her in death she was a Rochester representative of Father Baker's orphanage in Buffalo.

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