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## Family With Slacker Needs Business Basis

By GERTRUDE D. MADIGAN

"Dear Mrs. Madigan: I have frequently read your column and find you are always fair in your reply to questions that come to your attention. So, I am taking the liberty of writing to you on the following matter, which I hope you will discuss.

"I have one brother and one sister, both over twenty-one years old. I being the eldest. They have been working steadily ever since they graduated from school, and so have I. My sister does not pay any board, but my brother and I do about \$7 a week, which you will agree would not be enough in most boarding houses, although it mounts up considerably in a year.

"My mother has asked her several times to pay her share of the expenses for running the home, but she has never contributed anything, although she has been working for over five years and has a good job. She does not like to talk very much on the subject of finances, possibly because she has been successful, so far in life, in evading this small financial duty to her parents."

If the circumstances are exactly

as stated by you, your sister is certainly a slacker, and your parents are remiss in their duty in not insisting that she contribute her share to the maintenance of the home. In allowing her to escape this responsibility, they are not only being unfair to you and your brother, but they are doing your sister a grave injustice, even in families where there is more or less wealth, working sons and daughters should pay something toward their maintenance so that they will learn not only how much effort it takes to earn a dollar, but the limitations a dollar has when one is depending on it for the necessities of life.

My observations has been that well-to-do parents are more insistent upon this point than parents in moderate circumstances, especially when the former have inherited their wealth. They realize, usually from personal experience, that to own money without having a proper appreciation of its worth is a hazardous business and if they were pampered by their parents they wish to spare their children the sorrows sometimes the tragedies that stalked their path, merely because they had not learned the value of a dollar. On the other hand, parents who have had to struggle for their existence are inclined to try to make things too easy for their children.

In all financial dealings, whether within the family or with others, it is always best to conduct matters on a strictly business basis. This works out to the advantage of all concerned and avoids hard feelings, misunderstandings, bickerings. If parents do not actually need the board paid by their children to run the home, it is still better to collect board from them and to bank it for their future use.

If your younger sister were putting her money to some good use, such as higher education, then there would be some reason why you and your brother should be more lenient. But if she is putting her money exclusively into fine clothes and good times, as you state, there is every reason to have a showdown and the sooner the better.

(N. C. W. C. Features)

### Request Maryknoll Open China School

OSHING, N. Y. (N. C. W. C. Feature)—Snake Mountain Village adjacent to Hong Kong South of China has recently awarded an invitation through the Sisters of the Maryknoll Mission to open a free school in this section. For more than eighteen years the Catholic Foreign Mission Society Maryknoll has sought this opening and although the local politicians have made it clear that they have no interest whatsoever in the foreign religion, it is significant that they have requested a religious group to instruct their children.

The Snake Mountain instance is illustrative of the patience and persistence required for "hard work" in South China.

### In Symphony



Kathleen Gallagher, of Waseca, Minn., senior at Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., who has recently been admitted to the Women's Symphony Orchestra of Chicago. (Marshall photo.)

### COLLEGE'S ITALIAN CLASS TO PRESENT DRAMA TWO NIGHTS

The romantic Italian drama of "La Locandiera" will be presented in the Community Playhouse at Meigs street and Clinton avenue south next Monday and Tuesday evenings by the Italian class of Nazareth College.

Originally intended for presentation on Monday evening, the interest that has been created has increased the demand for seats so that the class has decided to extend the engagement for an additional night to make it possible witnessing one of the two performances.

Prominent in the cast will be Miss Margaret Volpe who is cast in the role of Il Cavaliere di Ripofra. Miss Rosa Pizzaferrato as Il Maraschino di Fortipapooi, Miss Edna Bruckel as Il Conte d'Albania, Miss Molly Fromen as Mirandolina, Miss Angelina Canello as Fazio, and Miss Lucia di Georio as Servitore del Conte.

"La Locandiera" reveals the story of a woman's love for a man who is the sworn enemy of her sex. Although she has many suitors she resorts to the use of her wiles to capture the man of her choice. The play will be presented with adequate scenery and elaborate costumes and under the personal direction of Miss Angelina Guzzetta, a member of the college faculty, who has been in charge of rehearsals for several weeks.

The production is expected to be the outstanding dramatic event of the college year.

The Misses Betty Fromen, Bernadette Welch, Viola Stoughton, Louise Schramel, Janet Haller and Josephine Scallia will act as usherettes at both performances. The committee in charge is composed of the following:

Advertising: Julia Di Giorgio and Rose Pizzaferrato costumes: Mary Kere and Eleanor Corry properties: Mary Ambrosioni publicity: Bernadette Welch tickets: Louise Schramel, Viola Stoughton, Margaret Volpe, Catherine Newman, Lorraine Wood, Elizabeth Helen Westfall, Josephine Scallia and Florence Riddell.

The patrons and patronesses are: Rev. Daniel O'Rourke, Rev. Louis Edelman, Rev. Joseph C. Fenlon, Rev. Dr. Henry Dillon, Miss Rosemary White, Miss Alice Corcoran, Miss Elizabeth Fike, Miss Sara Malo, Miss Elmer Roche, Mrs. A. J. Adams, Dr. James Eastham, LeRoy Morlock, William A. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lang.

### Hold Funeral Service For Edison Associate

MONTCLAIR, N. J. A Requiem Mass was celebrated at the Immaculate Conception Church here Saturday morning for Francis Eugene Donohoe, 23-year-old engineer and inventor associate of Thomas A. Edison. George Westinghouse and Dr. Alexander Graham Bell who died at his home here on Friday of bronchial pneumonia.

Mr. Donohoe's special representative of the General Cable Company. He assisted Edison in the early days when the inventor was working on the first phonograph. In appreciation of his services Edison gave him the original model, which Mr. Donohoe later presented to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, of which he was an alumnus and from which he received several honorary degrees.

Let us never forget that an act of goodness is of itself an act of happiness.

### Jesuits Riddle Communistic Theory Before 2,200 Here

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Catholics cannot leave to others the job of clearing up the vice in our cities, the vicious conditions in industry. We do have a responsibility and we need to assume it.

This responsibility, Father Dowling pointed out, was the exercise of our voting franchise at the polls.

The popular assumption by some people that politics are "dirty" was branded as "18 karat baloney" by the Jesuit.

Answering the question as to whether the Church favors fascism, Father Dowling quoted the Rev. James M. Gillis, the noted Father, who said that within the next century it will have been established that the Catholic Church has "suffered more from the friendship of Fascism than the enmity of Communism."

The forum was sponsored by the Rochester Parish Sodality Union, James E. Cuff, Past Grand Knight of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus, presided.

### Rochester Diocesan Council of the National Council of Catholic Women

Office: 536 Columbus Civic Centre, 50 Chestnut Street

A full page of the N. C. C. W. Monthly Message for December is devoted to a memorial to Monsignor John J. Burke, C. S. P. We quote:

Father Burke and the Council in the Province of God the joys and sorrows of life are strangely intermingled. Sometimes they are so closely interwoven that joy and sorrow seem to blend into one, bringing recognition of the great Divine purpose back of it all. He who bids us take up the cross daily if we would follow Him, bids us also to rejoice always. The National Council of Catholic Women has experienced this great truth in an exceptional way. Closely following on the truly inspiring meeting in Galveston, which seemed to mark the beginning of a new era, came the sad news that the Right Reverend Monsignor John J. Burke, C. S. P., who had been largely instrumental in originating about the great program of united Catholic Action in this country in which the Catholic women were called to participate, was suddenly called to give an account of his stewardship in that stewardship which included his work for and with the National Council of Catholic Women. He inspired the women who met for organization at that meeting in Galveston in 1920. His last public official message was broadcast over the country, as the Council met in Galveston on the morning of October 19. During the intervening years at each successive convention, his message came to the Catholic women of the country, each one a new presentation of the fundamental truth which inspired his own life and all his work.

"Our union as Catholics in the Mystical Body of Christ" and our responsibility for united action in restoring Christ to the world and the world to Christ."

We treasure the record of these messages. Let our tribute to his memory be continued to the great cause to which he gave "the last full measure of devotion."

The much heralded and long awaited film "Requiem" is to be shown at this coming week at the Regent Theatre, East Avenue and Chestnut Street. Rev. Leo C. Mooney has succeeded in making this possible. It is being presented under the auspices of the CATHOLIC COURIER.

While all our affiliated organizations have been asked to co-operate, a special committee of the Rochester Diocesan Council, N. C. C. W. is also actively engaged in promoting attendance.

Do not fail to see this outstanding picture.

As Christmas is approaching, we quote a timely admonition from the N. C. C. W. Monthly Message:

"A Catholic makes Christmas express Christ:

1. In his personal cards and gifts.

2. In the home—where decorations invariably include a blessed candle; a crib; a statue or picture of Our Lady.

3. In the community, the arrangement of show windows, displays, and even bill-boards often can be influenced by a friendly request.

This year try having a life-size replica of the crib PLACED OUT-OF-DOORS, where at all possible.

Imagination and some ingenuity will make this last an impressive but most effective project.

Choose a location to represent a cave stable. Christmas trees should be grouped about. The figures may be borrowed.

In some instances, cut-outs and cardboard figures made stormproof by use of house paint, have been used successfully. Clothes poles at each corner.

### Architectural Tests Won at Catholic U.

WASHINGTON For the third consecutive time, a student at the School of Architecture, Catholic University of America, has received the highest award obtainable in the "class A" division of the Beaux Arts Institute of Design.

The winner is Raleigh T. Daniel, a graduate student, whose project "A Summer Hotel" won for him the first prize. Other students at the school who have won this honor are John E. Duddin and James J. Brady.

Julio Cardinal, a graduate student; Arch Winters, a special student; Mr. Duddin and Mr. Brady also received "Mention" in connection with the project "A Summer Hotel." Noteworthy was the fact that every Catholic University student received an award of some degree on the project.

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