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Cites Wide Appeal To Know Christ

Noted Evidence Guildsman Tells Holy Name Here To Answer Plea
"Who is Christ, tell us about Him" is the dominant question on the streets of America today. John J. Craig, national Catholic Evidence Guildsman, of Little Rock, Arkansas, told 200 members of the Holy Name Society of Holy Rosary Church at their meeting Monday night in the parish hall.
Mr. Craig, who has been carrying on the work of preaching Catholic truths on street platforms for 21 years and is Master of the Arkansas District, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, was present by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Charles J. Shay, pastor of Holy Rosary Church and a personal friend of President Cleveland Keegan presided.

Christ or Communism
"Our American people are ready for Communism as was England for the so-called Reformation, because they know not Christ," Mr. Craig declared and cited experiences in schools and among adult groups where he had seen given striking examples of the lack of knowledge about the Founder of the Catholic Religion.
Three movements of the Lay Apostolate in the Church today that will lend great force in combating irreligion and Communism, he emphasized, were the Retreat Movement, the Catholic Evidence Guild work and the Liturgical movement "Catholic Living."
"There can be no Catholic Action without Catholic living," said the speaker, and urged participation in lay retreats as the foundation of Catholic Action.

Priests are insufficient in number to reach all who thirst for a knowledge of Christ, he said, hence the development of Catholic Evidence Guilds in which laymen are each given long training on one particular subject to bring that subject to the man in the street intelligently and clearly.
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LAITY INVITED TO VESPERS RITE

Vespers, which have been enthusiastically received by the laity of the city will be repeated Sunday, February 20, at SS Peter and Paul's Church and February 27 at St. Andrew's Church.
The Rev. Joseph A. Cimino, Pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church will preach at both services.
Vespers will be sung by the inter-high school choir which will be joined by pupils of the parochial schools for Benediction Hymns.
The Rev. J. Emil Goff will be celebrant at this Sunday's service. Rev. Edward Lyons will be master of ceremony and chanters will be the Rev. Gerard Amann and Rev. Benedict Ehrmann will direct.
Vespers will start promptly at 7:30 and an invitation to the laity is extended.

Christ or Communism
History of lay action from earliest times was reviewed and particular emphasis was placed on the success in Catholic activity of the laity.
In asking to bring non-Catholics into the Church Mr. Craig said that there is too much worry about proving that the Church is One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic and disavowing of the power of the Holy Spirit in enlightening souls.
"With the non-Catholic he urged that they be invited to church services be given good example be given intelligent answers to questions and be made to feel that the Church welcomes their interests.
Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament preceded the meeting with Monsignor Shay officiating.
Present at the meeting were the Rev. Leo C. Mooney, pastor of St. Patrick's Church and managing editor of the CATHOLIC COURIER, the Rev. Joseph McDonnell and the Rev. John Whelan.

According to a poll made by the American Automobile Association the favorite city of American tourists in Washington last year there were 2,864,000 visitors to our national capital.

'Josephs' Exceed 'Johns' in Cast of 'First Legion'

Of the ten Rochesterians supporting Bert Lytell in "The First Legion" at the Auditorium Friday and Saturday, seven answer to the first name of John or Joseph.
The Josephs outnumber the Johns, four to three. There are Joseph Frisch, Joseph Shale, Joseph O'Connor and Joseph Bassett. To match this quartet are John Dash, John O'Connor and John Costello.
The three other members of the supporting cast are Edward Murphy, Emmett O'Neil and Dr. James Eastham.

Priest Flays Nazis' Ban On Press

By FRANK J. CONBOY, JR.
GENEVA Loss of freedom of speech and of the press have placed the German people in their present lamentable condition.
This opinion was expressed by the Rev. Joseph H. Geffell, pastor of Holy Family Church to 120 men of St. Stephen's parish at the annual banquet of the Holy Name Society, Tuesday evening, February 8, at the parish house.
As long as this freedom, and especially that of the Catholic Press, is guarded in this country, there is nothing to fear of Nazism, Communism or Fascism, Father Geffell added.
Visitor To Germany
Principal speaker at the banquet, Father Geffell described present conditions in Nazi Germany. He told of recent trips to that country where he had been a guest of the Bishop of Berlin. He said his acquaintance had made the acquaintance of some of the foremost German political and social leaders.
Father Geffell first showed how the mettle of the German people as a nation was weakened by the series of catastrophes beginning with the loss of the World War through such trials as the Allies' food blockade, the self-denying Treaty of Versailles, the occupation of the Ruhr District, the Dawes Young Plan, inflation, with its dire effects on the people, and resulting in a general political and economic breakdown.
In the midst of the confusion in which there were no less than 100 political parties, Adolph Hitler presented himself to President Von Hindenburg suggesting himself for the office of chancellor to oppose the alleged Communist trend in thought supposedly responsible for the burning of the Reichstag.
"Timothy J. Buckley, president of the Society introduced the Rev. Daniel Fraher, its director, as "master Rev. Ralph F. Neagle of St. Francis DeSales church addressed the group commending them upon their spiritual activity in the parish.

Fr. Coughlin Makes Plea For Peace

Says Americans As Whole Opposed To Offensive War In Radio Talk
DETROIT "It is my contention that the great body of informed Americans is uncompromisingly opposed to an offensive war and to a foreign policy which leads to the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, pastor of the Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak, declared in his radio address Sunday.
"We have a right to hear officially explained," he said, "the meaning of the new secret quarantine as applied to foreign aggressor nations. Does it mean we shall continue minding our own business or begin minding other national business?"

DETROIT (NC) An appeal to his listeners "to campaign vigorously against the war-like spirit that, officially, is beginning to overshadow a peaceful people" was made Sunday of last week by the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin, pastor of the Shrine of the Little Flower at Royal Oak, in his radio address.
Assuring that "on every hand governments find it possible to allocate billions of dollars—for a world war which will entail, possibly the liquidation of our civilization," Father Coughlin said "America is confronted with the serious problem of avoiding war."
"It is a problem made very difficult," he said, "by a group of propagandists who would have us believe that a conflict between Fascism and Communism is inevitable. In it, so they say, we must participate. A second group insists that the democratic nations of the world must stand shoulder to shoulder in their effort to preserve democracy and beat down all unjust aggressors."

"Shall we repeat the illogical mistake of 1918 by examining ourselves in the net of foreign intrigue, lured on by some fantastic ideal of preserving the world's peace when, in reality, we become accomplices in preserving the world's servitude?" Father Coughlin asked. "America has a splendid opportunity which she should occupy herself at home," he added. "If our government desires to be the policeman of the world, let it begin in the trains of Pennsylvania, in the textile mills of the eastern seaboard, in the desolate formations of the midland in the canyons of greed erected in Wall Street."
"I am objecting to the governmental propagandists at home and their indolent inaction," said Father Coughlin. "What he behooves them to bend their talents in pleading for the 12-million unemployed and for the eradication of the causes which produce the unemployment. Instead of preparing an issue of war bonds, the instruction may I suggest that they issue peace bonds for production."
Father Coughlin said "It is a proven fact that modern wars offer no solution to the problems which perplex the brotherhood of

Adoration Society Names Officers

GENEVA The Nocturnal Adoration Society of both St. Francis DeSales and St. Stephen's parishes held its meeting and annual election of officers on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 6, in St. Stephen's parish house.
Officers were elected as follows:
Directors: Rt. Rev. Msgr. William J. Lee of St. Francis DeSales parish and Rev. William H. McDonnell of St. Stephen's parish.
President, John J. Burke, vice president, Frank Kelly, treasurer, W. Lynch, and recording secretary, Timothy J. Buckley.
How strangely high prices may be placed, when value is little or nothing.

Plays Presented By Junior Rosarians

GENEVA The Junior Rosary Society of St. Francis DeSales parish held its regular semi-monthly meeting in the school hall on Monday night, Feb. 7.
Rev. Ralph F. Neagle, director of the society, addressed the meeting. After the meeting a social hour with dancing was enjoyed.


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Communism Shifting Tactics, Warns Msgr. Sheen

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jority of mankind still believed the best way to heal social ills was by legislation and not by revolution.
To accommodate themselves to the modern mentality the Communists decided to cease talking revolution and to begin talking democracy, peace and hatred of Fascism.
This new program called for a "United Front" with all groups parties and programs on the broadest possible basis of unity.
The United Front of Communism is in like manner the face of Communism during the period of the United Front.
Front Communism says nothing about the destruction of private property nothing about the hatred of religion, nothing about Lenin's statement that Communist dictators "take no account of violence limited by no laws or rules on the contrary it speaks of its love of America the rights of the worker, its sympathy for religion, and its passion for democracy.
Time Not Yet Ripe
"Does this mean Communism has changed its philosophy or that it has given up its intention to overthrow the existing order? No. It only means it has decided not to talk about those things yet. The time is not ripe for the kill. It has merely changed its tactics, but not its principles.
"Communism changes its tactics if no longer talks revolution, it talks against Fascism, it no longer talks arms it preaches peace. It no longer talks about overthrowing the government, it talks about preserving democracy, it no longer talks about butchering the capitalists, it talks about the rights of the worker. In other words, it has changed its complexion, but has it changed its face?
"The tactics which ent away your goods do not first ring your doorbell, inform you of their presence, and tell you they propose to make the roof fall on your head. They seem to know they can accomplish more by the indirect tactics of boring secretly from within.
You know they have been at work only when the roof falls upon your head.
"Is such the new tactic of Communism? Communists admit that it is, only instead of using the example of traitors to explain their new approach they use the example of the Trojan Horse. Their United and Popular Fronts call for a union of Communists with other political organizations but what these political organizations for get is that Communism uses them only to further its revolutionary ends.
Be not deceived then by the anti-Fascist front of Communism. Just remember that Communism is Soviet Fascism, and as a loyal American if the Communists ask you to join the American League against War and Fascism, it means you will join it if they will make it an American League against War Fascism and Communism."



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