Observing Diamond Jubilees

Holy Family Church, Rochester (see page 7) and St. Mary's Boys Home (see page 2) are 75 years old. Congratulations!

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THE LIST OF APPOINTMENTS OF HIS EXCELLENCY, BISHOP KEARNEY, FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, IS AS FOLLOWS:

1 Wednesday—St. Mary's Boys Home—Low Mass, Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Home—9:00 A. M.
Canandaigua—K. of C. Anniversary Dinner—7:00 P. M.

2 Thursday—Pro-Cathedral—Low Mass for Deceased of the Diocese—8:00 A. M.

3 Friday—St. Bernard's Seminary—Conference—5:30 P. M.

4 Saturday—Cleveland, Ohio — Presiding Session, National Catechetical Congress—2:30 P. M.

5 Sunday—Holy Family—Pontifical Mass, Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Parish—11:00 A. M.
St. Anthony's—Confirmation—2:30 P. M.
St. Michael's—Confirmation—4:30 P. M.
St. Salome's—Confirmation—7:30 P. M.

8 Wednesday—Assumption, Fairport—Confirmation—7:45 P.M.

9 Thursday—Columbus Civic Centre — Opening Meeting, C. Y. A. Drive—6:30 P. M.

10 Friday—St. Mary's—Low Mass, Opening Rochester N. C. C. W. Convention—9:00 A. M.
Hotel Seneca—N. C. C. W. Luncheon—12:30 P. M.
St. Bridget's, East Bloomfield—Confirmation—7:30 P. M.

12 Sunday—Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, New York—Address, Catholic Teachers' Communion Breakfast—10:30 A. M.

15 Wednesday—Washington, D. C.—Annual Bishops' Meeting.

19 Sunday—St. John Evangelist—Pontifical Mass, Twenty-fifth Anniversary of Parish—11:00 A. M.
St. Francis Xavier—Confirmation—2:30 P. M.
Mt. Carmel—Confirmation—4:30 P. M.
St. Francis Assisi—Confirmation—7:30 P. M.

20 Monday—Chicago, Ill.—Annual Meeting, Extension Society—9:30 A. M.

22 Wednesday—Our Lady of Mercy High School—St. Cecilia Mass—9:30 A. M.
St. Bernard's Seminary—St. Cecilia Concert—7:15 P. M.

26 Sunday—Columbus Civic Centre—K. of C. Communion—Mass—9:00 A. M.
Hotel Seneca—K. of C. Fourth Degree Exemplification—3:00 P. M.
Hotel Seneca—Fourth Degree Dinner—6:30 P. M.

27 Monday—Mark Twain Hotel, Elmira—Elmira Catholic Charities Dinner—7:00 P. M.

28 Tuesday—Oak Hill Country Club—Mercy Alumnae Dinner—7:00 P. M.

By order of the Most Rev. Bishop.
Lawrence B. Casey,
Vice-Chancellor.

'Peace' Group Red Controlled

Congress Given List of Members

WASHINGTON. — (NC) —The charge that the American League for Peace and Democracy is communist-controlled was finally made last week, as the Dies Committee investigating un-American activities made public a list of some 570 Government employes whose names had come to its attention in connection with the League.

As a part of his attack on the Dies Committee for making the list public, Representative John M. Coffee of Washington said on the floor of the House, Wednesday, that the names represented not only a membership but also a mailing list of the League.

Representative Jerry Voorhis of California, a member of the Committee, asserted that "this list does not include the mailing list." That is a membership list" he added. Representative John J. Dempsey of New Mexico, also a member of the Committee, asserted that the list contained "the names of people who made contributions, for instance for the refugees in Spain, and who were not members of the League for Peace and Democracy."

In making the list public, Representative Martin Dies of Texas, Chairman, said the Committee was not charging that government employes affiliated with the League are members of the Communist Party However, he said, "it has been established conclusively that the American League for Peace and Democracy was organized and is controlled by the Communist Party" He said there was no evidence that the Government employes in the League were Communists, but added that "the fact that these Government employes are members of a communist front organization and apparently continued their membership long after this organization was exposed as being Communistic justifies, in the opinion of the Committee, the publication of this list"

Solicitation of Funds

A study of the list reveals the names of a number of top-making government employes. It also contains the names of persons who were active in the solicitation of funds by the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy Of the employes named in the Dies Committee list, three were members of the "Labor Department Sponsoring Committee" which sought to collect from Labor Department workers aid for the Spanish Leftists. Four of the eleven "Representatives in charge of solicitors" in the Labor Department drive for Spanish Leftist aid appear on the Dies list. One of the three members of the "Labor Department Relief Ship Committee" in favor of Red Spain is on the Dies list.

One of the ten "building representatives "whose names appeared

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Nun Braves Fire To Save Sacred Hosts

COHOES, N Y Being rescued from a convent fire here, a nun returned to the burning building to bring out the Blessed Sacrament from the chapel.

Sister Mary Celine is one of 12 Sisters of St. Joseph rescued when fire swept their convent at St. Bernard's Academy here Tuesday.

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MSGR. WILLIAM M. HART, V.G.
Editor-in-Chief

Chief Editor Post Given Msgr. Hart

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. William M. Hart, Vicar General of the diocese and pastor of Corpus Christi Church was also appointed editor-in-chief of the CATHOLIC COURIER, official diocesan newspaper, by His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, today.

Monsignor Hart has been the Bishop's representative on the newspaper and now officially joins the staff to head it in his position as editor-in-chief.

On the staff with Monsignor Hart are: the Rev Leo C. Mooney, managing editor, Howard W. Klippert, manager, and Thomas H. O'Connor, news editor.

The appointment of Monsignor Hart comes as the paper is observing its Golden Jubilee. Entirely familiar with the work on the paper, both in the business and editorial departments and possessing the degrees of Lector in Sacred Theology and Doctor of Philosophy, Monsignor Hart's direction of the newspaper presages continued growth in the future.

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Druggists Pledge Aid In War On Obscenity

ST PAUL -(NC) — With the first Sunday in Advent set for the launching of his campaign against obscene and salacious literature, the Most Rev. John Gregory Murray, Archbishop of St. Paul, has already had an indication from the National Association of Retail Druggists that they are ready to co-operate with him in promoting this movement.

At the national convention of the nationwide druggists organization here a resolution was adopted renewing its "pledges to the sanctity of the home, by reaffirming its attitude and determination to remove from our sales outlets and suppress in every possible manner the sale of salacious, obscene literature in magazine, tabloid, or book form."

Reveals Horror In Nazi Camp

Ex-Prisoner Gives First Hand Story

GENEVA. — (NC) — First-hand evidence of unspeakable cruelties inflicted upon political prisoners in the German Nazi concentration camp at Dachau, and elsewhere in the Greater Reich — sufferings which he both witnessed and shared is given by an Austrian Catholic who, since his release, has made his way to this city.

Because he has reason to fear punishment might be visited upon those formerly associated with him in the Republic of Austria, the identity of the narrator is withheld.

His is a story of cold-blooded murders, of men driven to insanity, of bestial treatment of the aged and infirm—a story of brutalities that it is almost impossible to associate with twentieth-century man.

Description of Cruelties

He tells of prisoners systematically goaded to madness; of demoniac "jokes" that achieved success only when they resulted in the violent death of the victim; of men who had spent their lives in professional pursuits being suddenly subjected to long hours of hard labor and punished with starvation and subjection to the elements when they failed to meet the impossible requirements of their Nazi guards.

In Dachau, he witnessed the treatment inflicted upon prisoners who once were outstanding officials and citizens of the Austrian Republic.

At an advanced age, one such outstanding personage has had to endure a long period of brutal treatment—including physical violence—at the hands of his Nazi captors, said the informant. He gave the number of the barrack and room in which this person was confined. He told also of seeing at Dachau two former high officials of Austria, former Austrian army officers, noted clergymen and professors.

Speaking of two persons in particular, he said these suffered the worst treatment while he was at Dachau. In their first weeks there, he said, they were beaten several times. He told how one was confined in the "Bunker" of the Dachau jail. This "Bunker" was described as a dark cellar, without heat in winter. Only on every third day was a warm meal served. But the day there was only bread and water.

Many men, he said, after four weeks in the "Bunker," came out so weak that they could not walk for several days and were half-blinded because they had been in darkness during the entire period of their incarceration.

Worse, if possible, was the treatment inflicted upon defenseless men by Nazi guards on the trains that took the prisoners to Dachau. During the ten-hour journey the prisoners were required to sit upright and stare into a blinding light. Should one close his eyes for a moment, a guard struck him with a steel rod, or with the butt of his gun. Some became insane and were shot on the spot. At Dachau, the bodies of seven men were carried from the train that bore the narrator

All of the prisoners at Dachau, he said, regardless of age or physical condition, were required to work 14 hours a day.

The witness told of having seen an aged prisoner struck with a

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POPE PENS FIRST ENCYCLICAL

The Supreme Pontiff in the first Encyclical Letter of his pontificate points the way toward lasting peace. The Encyclical was released to the world on Friday, Oct. 27.

Pontiff Consecrates 12 Mission Bishops

By MSGR. ENRICO PUCCI

VATICAN CITY—While hatred and jealousy too often divided men in the world at large, the Catholic Church, with its immense charity, embraces all the human family without distinction as to race or rank, His Holiness Pope Pius XII, pointed out Sunday, after he had personally consecrated 12 Missionary Bishops in St. Peter's Basilica.

The new Bishops represent many nationalities and racial strains. There are among them two Americans, two native Africans, an Indian, a Chinese and native of a half-Asian European parentage. The ecclesiastical territories which they will govern are in widely scattered places.

Reminding that the consecration of the new Bishops took place on the Feast of Christ the King, Pope Pius extolled the benefits accruing from the reign of Christ in families and in States which establish laws inspired by the doctrine of the Gospels and do not refuse public homage to Our Lord. His Holiness said it is necessary that all those who glory in the name Christian should contribute, each according to his own possibilities, to the spread of the reign of Christ, especially now when men are too often absorbed in earthly things and neglect heavenly things.

The consecration took place at the altar of the Chair of St. Peter, and it was necessary to erect on the Epistle side, not one but two altars, each of which was capable of accommodating six of the new Bishops during the first part of the rite. In front of the altar there was set up a very large table for the oblations, because each Bishop, after the Offertory, presented the Pope with two loaves of bread (one gilded and the other silvered), two candles and two casks (one containing wine and one containing water). Also, it was necessary to provide a specially large place before the altar, so that the twelve new Bishops would have space to lie prostrate during the chanting of the Litany of the Saints, and so, at the end of the ceremony, there would be space for the twelve faldstools on which the Holy Father enthroned them.

With some slight differences, the ceremony was the same as the consecration of a Bishop at which a Cardinal or another Bishop officiates. However Sunday, the Co-Consecrators did not call upon the Consecrator to show the "Apostolic mandate," namely the faculty given by the Pope to proceed with the consecration. This was unnecessary because the Pope himself was officiating.

It was a moment of supreme emotion when, following the enthronement, these twelve Bishops of many different races passed through the enormous congregation and imparted their first pastoral blessing. The ceremony was brought to a close when the new members of the Hierarchy each greeted the Holy Father with the exclamation "Ad multos annos," repeated three times. Responding to these wishes that he may be blessed with a long life, the Sovereign Pontiff embraced each of the new Bishops paternally.

Must Spread Gospel

His Holiness told the new Bishops they go forth as heralds of the Divine Word, trusting solely

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French, German Envoys Shake Hands At Spain Function

By Rev. Manuel Grana

MADRID.—(NC)—At the ceremonies attending the taking of the oath of allegiance by members of the National Council, the Diplomatic Corps was present.

As the diplomats entered the room, General Petain, the French Ambassador, saluted German Ambassador Von Stohrer and offered his hand—a gesture which created a profound impression.

Religion's Foes Woo Minorites

NEW YORK.—Forces that deny the efficacy of religion are zealously extending the hand of welcome to American minorities, pointing to their plight and urging them to use the cudgels of force as a means of liberation and advancement, it is declared in a statement on racial minorities in the United States issued by the American Committee on Religious Rights and Minorities. Several prominent Catholic clergymen and laymen are members of the General Committee.

After pointing to the pressure brought on minority groups by foes of religion, the statement continues:

"Have we not even more effective means of assistance and fellowship? Our social situation is out of joint, and the combined action of Jews and Christians is needed to set it right. The undisputed facts about the status and treatment of our racial minorities challenge us to action. This committee has dealt in former statements with anti-Semitism in the United States."

1st Document Flays 'Isms

Urges Prayer In Time of Trial

(Complete Text of the First Encyclical Issued by His Holiness, Pope Pius XII begins on Page 8, this issue).

VATICAN CITY.—(NC)—Pope Pius XII, in his first Encyclical, promulgated in the days of former Italian rule and this evil is broken, and extended a ringing call for a new and militant Christian culture to save world civilization.

His Holiness, opening [illegible] war, denounced the [illegible] tration between [illegible] decrees that [illegible] being a [illegible] morality [illegible] patriotism [illegible] the Church [illegible] truth and [illegible]

The Encyclical [illegible] condemned [illegible]

Despite [illegible] the Pope [illegible] persecution [illegible] "[illegible] and [illegible] affection."

Persecution

"Forgetting [illegible] man solidarity [illegible] the attempt [illegible] group than [illegible] Hitler [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] great [illegible] persecution [illegible] persecutors [illegible] persecution."

The Encyclical [illegible]

Difficulties [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] attacks [illegible] the Catholic [illegible] all believers in [illegible] share in the [illegible] common [illegible] danger.

A Possible [illegible]

The Encyclical [illegible] not attempting to [illegible] statement of [illegible] taken in the [illegible] today," [illegible] yet let us [illegible] moment, he [illegible] entrenches [illegible] fundamental [illegible] aspirations."

Age Adds Errors

The Encyclical [illegible] turning to the "King of Kings and Lord of Lords," the Alpha and Omega of the Pope Pius XII's Pontificate, it declares that the present [illegible] added new errors to the [illegible] aberrations of the past, and has "pushed those to extremes which lead inevitably to a state [illegible] chaos."

"Before all else," the Encyclical says, "it is certain that the radical and ultimate cause of the evils which We deplore in modern society is the denial and rejection of a universal norm of morality as well for individual and social life as for international relations." We mean," the Holy Father says, the disregard, to common surprise, and the forgetfulness of the natural law itself, which has its foundation in God, Almighty Creator and Father of all, supreme and absolute Lawgiver, all-wise and just Judge of human actions."

Sorrows Over War

"Sorrowful beyond [illegible] an out, despite his [illegible] to prevent it, Pope Pius calls upon those in whom there yet remains good will, to lift their eyes and hearts to "he the One from whom alone comes the salvation of the world," and reminds that international law cannot be torn from its rather of divine law without disastrous effects.

Assuring the faithful that Christ the King is never so near as in times of trial, the Pontiff issues an urgent invitation to prayer, especially to children and to those who are in pain and sorrow, he exhorts all to live in unity, faith and love.

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China Bishop Heads Relief Committee

LOYANG, CHINA [illegible] Apostolic [illegible] Bishop [illegible] head of Loyang [illegible] Bishop [illegible] Bishop [illegible] Bishop