

NATIONAL NEWS

670,000 TO PRAY CALL FOR DEFENSE

Peace Novenas Enlist 670,000 Prayers To Begin For U.S., World

CHICAGO.—Beginning Friday, July 14, the Perpetual Novena in honor of our Sorrowful Mother will begin a national crusade for American and world peace with prayer and faith as the only weapons in the nationwide campaign against war, according to an announcement today by the Rev. James E. Keane, O.S.M., founder and director of the Perpetual Novena.

In Rochester the Perpetual Novena is held each Friday in St. Mary's Church and in Auburn in St. Anthony's Church.

The Novena for peace follows the request of many hundreds of Novenas throughout the United States for such a remembrance of prayer and was first suggested in "Novena Notes" by Rev. Leader Conley, O.F.M., pastor of Old St. Peter's Church, Polk and Clark Streets.

In 64 Novena churches, the mass prayer for peace will ascend to heaven from more than 670,000 Novenas who have been attending the weekly Novena service and many additional thousands who will be attracted by the special prayer for peace.

The Peace Novena will continue for nine consecutive Fridays and then, if necessary, for a successive series of nine Fridays until peace has been declared.

Enrollment cards are sent to every Novena who makes the intention for American and world peace. Special buttons with the caption "Novena Army for Peace" with the reproduction of the "Pietà" will be worn by the Novenas. The "Pietà" is an image of the dead body of Jesus Christ lying in the arms of His Mother. Each Novena is asked to recruit additional enlistments in the Novena Peace Army.

Open to All Faiths
The Peace Novena is open to Protestants and Jews as well as Catholics. Father Keane stated that many thousands of non-Catholics attend Novena services each Friday.

"We extend a cordial invitation to all non-Catholics to join us on the ground of our common humanity and the American people and that we will desire peace," said Father Keane.

"We stand unalterably opposed to the use of war as a means of saving Christianity, civilization or democracy," said Father Keane. "We do not believe that we can be saved by war. It is only after all other efforts to arrive at a friendly and reasonable settlement has failed that recourse to war is permissible. If America does enter the war despite all our efforts, then we as Americans are immediately behind our flag 100 percent. But we shall continue our struggle with the least amount of casualty and sorrow to the people of America."

Brooklyn Truth Group Criticizes "PM"

BROOKLYN.—Referring to the first edition of PM, which made its appearance last week, the Rev. Edward J. Curran, President of the International Catholic Truth Society, takes New York's newest daily newspaper to task on several counts in a letter he has addressed to all the pastors in the Diocese of Brooklyn.

"The very first edition of PM gives leftist leanings, stubborn ignorance and a tribute to indecency," Dr. Curran declares.

Dr. Curran informs the Brooklyn pastors that one page in the first issue is given over to "strip-tease" photographs and that the captions under the pictures are definitely suggestive. He says PM refers to General Franco's victory in Spain as "the angai's triumph" and that while referring to the fact that Italian troops and German planes appeared on Franco's side, "the writer avoids mentioning that Soviet-Russian arms and ammunition appeared on the side of the Red Loyalists."

On the same page, Dr. Curran's letter continues, PM attributes Franco's fall to "the Baldwin's and the Chamberlains and the Simons and the Bonnets and the Dalai lamas" but "there is no mention of pinkish Leon Blum with whose Red blessing Franco became externally weakened and who is more responsible for the defeat of France than any political leader."

Dr. Curran also tells the Brooklyn pastors that PM reproduces a picture of Molotov signing the Nazi-Soviet Pact, and "makes no denunciation of this non-aggression pact." "PM implies that the pact was a victory of Communistic Russia over western leaders," he declares.

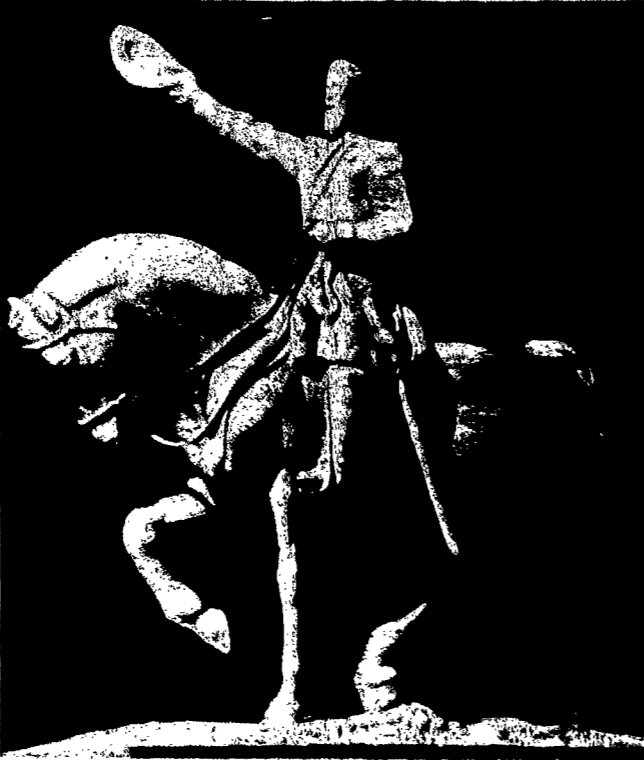
Hoods Used At Ku Klux Marriage

WAYNE, N. J.—A white-robed ritualist with hoods hiding their faces were married here by the Rev. Dr. Edward A. M. Young, grand klansman of the New Jersey Ku Klux Klan, in the presence of a hooded throng of Klansmen.

The ceremony, attended by more than 50 persons, was held in the presence of the Passaic County Ku Klux Klan. Five children, two of whom girls were "applied" and dedicated to the Klan at the same ceremony by Dr. Young. Twenty-two men also were initiated into the Klan.

Parents should encourage clean living habits in their homes.

MEMORIAL FOR GEN. LONGSTREET



General James Longstreet, the South's "forgotten hero" of the Civil War, will be remembered with an equestrian statue on the battlefield of Gettysburg, according to plans of the Longstreet Memorial Association which has secured a site for this purpose from the National Park Service.

Six of Catholic U. Faculty To Give Cliff Haven Courses

CLIFF HAVEN, N. Y.—When the Catholic Summer School of America opens its forty-ninth annual session on July 1 here, it will share for the first time its educational and cultural facilities with the Catholic University of America, which will conduct a branch of its summer session at Cliff Haven from July 8 to August 16.

The Catholic University will send six members of its faculty to give 18 courses in education, philosophy, history and English. All courses will carry full university credit toward the baccalaureate degree.

The Catholic Summer School has prepared for the University, two modern school buildings in a pine grove on the shore of Lake Champlain.

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Spaine, President of the Summer School, will be at Cliff Haven at the opening of the session.

The Board of Regents of the State of New York has approved all of the courses which have been decided upon by the Board of Studies of the Summer School which includes the Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. Francis A. McIntyre, the Rev. Dr. John D. Roach, Dr. James J. Walsh, Dr. Eugene A. Collins, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. P. J. McCormick, and the Rev. Dr. John S. Middleton.

The following courses will be given commencing July 8: educational philosophy of education, history of education, educational psychology, tests and measurements, psychology of elementary school subjects, in English, English poetry, American literature, rhetoric, logic, composition, philosophy, logical psychology, history of

Fourth Degree Elects Trimby

Herbert L. Trimby of 480 Flint Street was elected Faithful Navigator of Rochester Fourth Degree Assembly, Knights of Columbus, at the annual meeting held Wednesday evening in Columbus Civic Center.

He succeeds Norman A. O'Brien who was elected Faithful Admiral. Others named to head the Fourth Degree are: Faithful Captain, Charles F. Raymond, Faithful Pilot, Augustine L. Hall; Faithful Director, Charles H. Ceyer; Faithful Inside Sentinel, Sylvester J. Kirby, and Faithful Outside Sentinel, Joseph A. Murphy.

List Manufacturers Representatives Picnic, Saturday

A picnic for the Rochester Association of Manufacturers' Representatives will be held Saturday, June 29 at Louis Rind's Point Pleasant Hotel.

Amusement will start at 1:30 and will consist of sports, races and other amusements.

Highlights of the affair will be a delicious chicken dinner scheduled for 8 o'clock.

Priest Honored

Los Angeles—His Holiness, Pope Pius XII has elevated to the rank of domestic prelate, with the title of Rt. Rev. Msgr. the Rev. Jesus Ramirez, pastor of St. Martha's Church here. The newly-named prelate was for seven years in charge of work among the Mexican Catholics of Los Angeles. Born in San Miguel, Mexico, he was educated in the Seminary of Durango and ordained for that diocese. With the permission of his Bishop he came to Los Angeles in 1914.

Bennett Urges Strong Defense To Save America

(In addressing the Knights of St. John and Ladies' Auxiliary Sunday, the Hon. John J. Bennett, State Attorney General, emphasized the necessity of preparing America to stave off the tide of internationalism by adequate national defense. His complete speech is as follows:)

This is one of the darkest periods in the history of mankind. That history is one of being written in death and destruction. In Europe we see national injustices, dishonor and greed at their worst. In that European area of carnage is the corpse of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Finland, Denmark, Holland, Norway and Belgium. Now France is feeling the torture of dissection. Who, a short time ago, would have believed the French army, reputedly the best trained of all, and so destroyed in five weeks? Who, sane, could have believed that the British Isles would face an invasion? Who could have envisioned the lengthening of the German coast line to the Arctic Circle, on the north, and to the Mediterranean, on the south? None of these things seemed believable. Yet alone possible. Where will it end? Who is next? I do not know.

The wide expanse of the Atlantic has long been considered by many as our best defense against invasion from Europe. The development of new war devices, particularly the airplanes, has raised doubt as to the adequacy of that defense. Today that ocean is the channel between two widely divergent theories of the conduct of nations, one to another, and the conduct of nations to their own citizens. We must keep it so.

No matter what our thoughts have been in the past, despite our great desire to follow the path of peace, we must now face the distinct possibility that the Atlantic may not save us from attack. When we recall the boasts of European dictators, it may well be that our shores are not as safe as many of us have thought. Therefore, we must prepare now to defend our right to live on as free men or chance the possibility of subjection to the tyrannies of dictatorship and totalitarianism. But, while preparing for defense, let us not succumb to any course which would endanger democracy here.

Some Failures To Prepare
The failure of democratic governments to prepare for emergencies, their blindness to the waste of their people and their inability or refusal to meet these needs and problems, have resulted in wars and revolutions. Through the years, such conditions have brought forth the strong man, the leader who proclaims the "survival" and guaranteed to his fellow-citizens their full share of worldly goods. For surrendering their liberty he promised economic security. With words of honey and promises of plenty he lured them to his side until the day came when the tentacles of dictatorship engulfed them. Vassals now, they were sent out to fight, to conquer and to die.

The dictators have led their followers in the persecution and murder of minorities and the destruction of peaceful nations. They spun all efforts of decent conciliation of differences between nations and ran head-on in their mad career. Liberty has disappeared wherever they have trod. We want none of that here.

How fortunate we are indeed to be able to contrast the European Holocaust with the peaceful and humane conditions existing here under the American system of democracy. At no time in the history of this nation should we be more aware of the benefits of that system. At no time should we be more jealous of its preservation because it may well be that America is the last outpost of free men. Here we enjoy the protection of our laws and are free to exercise the dictates of our consciences regarding religion, the right of free speech and expression, and the rights of business.

The blessings of liberty which we so happily enjoy in America were not easily obtained. The founding Fathers of this Nation felt the maddening heat of oppression. They threatened with virtual, freedom, they rose up in arms and gave their lives and their fortunes to secure their right to life and liberty. That was when the choice was made for us between despotism and democracy. As a result we are free men. But we will remain free men only if we have courage and are willing to make sacrifices.

After victory and independence, with reliance upon Divine Guidance, our forefathers laid the foundations of this Nation so that it has grown from a struggling confederation of thirteen colonies to the great and unified country it is today. For more than a century and a half, our nation has endured. Our material progress and development have been attained under orderly constitutional government.

The basic law of our land has remained the same, the people rule. And we intend to see that it remains so.

The blood of many nationalities courses through the veins of the present-day American. Yet there undoubtedly linger, in the heart of many, and rightly so, certain sentiments of the worth the land of their forebears. But they may remember that no group of persons has ever received a greater gift than they—American citizenship. They are recipients of privilege beyond any they could possibly enjoy in their former homelands. No barriers are erected here against their economic progress. No ban is placed upon the free expression of their spiritual beliefs. Here they may join with the native-born in the selection of their governmental leaders. Here no one need hide any of their every activities. These rights and privileges become theirs when they took the oath of

NEW YORK.—More than 3,000 members of St. Joseph's Union are expected to visit the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin, Mount Loretto, Staten Island, for the observance of Father Drungoole day on Sunday, June 30. Since its foundation in 1876, St. Joseph's Union has helped to support more than 40,000 orphan boys and girls at the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin. One hundred and forty-one boys and girls will be graduated on June 30.

Chicago, O. Y. O. Support Chicago—The Most Rev. Bernard J. Sheil, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago and Director of the Catholic Youth Organization has pledged the support of the C. Y. O. to the American Red Cross in competition with its campaign for war relief funds.

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Charlie Gets the (Fire) Works

"Safe and Sound Fourth" says Charlie. "Well, that's okay!" So—(Top left) Charlie McCarthy set out to shoot the fireworks, but got the works when a "red" exploded in his hand. (Top right) Inspector Hitchcock of the L. A. Fire Department rambled in the rescue in order to keep Charlie from going back to work. (Bottom) Charlie revs up on the beams of a Safe and Sound Fourth, while Edgar Bergen and Marlinne stand stiff themselves on the muffs of Charlie's bravado. Charlie McCarthy is heard every Sunday night from 1:00 to 5:15, on WHAM.

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