

**Old Germany Patriot To Be Fifth Culture Lecturer**

**Prof. Foerster Talks At Aquinas, Jan. 19**

An exile from the German Reich because his theories are humanistic, not Nazi, Professor Friedrich Wilhelm Foerster, will deliver the fifth in the Christian Culture Lecture Series at Aquinas Institute on Monday, Jan. 19, at 8:30 p. m.

This seventy-year-old European intellectual is a thinker not a diary-keeper. Professor at the University of Zurich, later Vienna, then at Munich, Foerster became the great spokesman for the true humanists of Europe. Austrian Emperor Charles entrusted him with setting up a new cabinet to remodel the Danubian monarchy on a federal basis. As Germany's ambassador to Bern, he tried to show the "New Germany" the way to a better future.



His principal works as moral philosopher, educator, statesman, have been translated from German into all the languages of Europe. Escaped from Germany to France, Foerster was put on the black list when the Germans entered into the present war. His life was saved by the personal invitation of a European ruler to visit his country, from whence he came to America last year. Dr. Foerster speaks fine English, having lectured at the Overseas Bank, the Royal Institute of International Affairs, Oxford and Cambridge universities, during recent years. His lecture here will be entitled "My Personal Recollections of Sixty Years of German Policy."

New York Herald Tribune had this to say in Oct., 1940—"Rauschning was a late convert against Nazism. Foerster has opposed the trends which culminated in it for over 50 years, at the cost of imprisonment, exile and danger to his life. Brought up as a free-thinker, it required many years before I came to realize that all modern attempts to find a substitute for the work of Christianity as the foundation of culture and the trainer of souls rests on illusion." From Review of "Europe and the German Question."—Sheed & Ward.

The lecture here is open to the public.

**Niagara President To Speak At Alumni Dance**

The newly organized alumni association of Rochester Niagara University will hold its first annual dinner and dance this Saturday evening in the Hayward Hotel at 7:00, according to Thomas Farrell '37 president.

Farrell said that the Rev. William J. Mahoney, C.M., M.A., S.T.D., dean of the college, will preside. The guest speaker for the evening will be the Very Rev. Joseph M. Noonan, C.M., D.D., L.L.D., president of Niagara University.

Committee in charge of the alumni gathering are John Blum '37, John Reynolds '40, Austin Whalen '38, Lester Gleiner '38, Mildred Brown '40 and Joseph O'Brien '38.

Over seventy-five alumni members of Rochester Niagara University are expected to attend.

Catholic lay organizations are buying U. S. Defense Stamps and Bonds.

**'Theater', Coming Stage Play Has 'C' Rating**

Cornelia Otis Skinner's vehicle, "Theater," scheduled for Jan. 23 at the Auditorium is classified as "C"—Wholly objectionable, by the Catholic Theater Movement in the New York Archdiocese.



**MARKING TWO GREAT FEASTS** were services held last Sunday. Taking part in Family Communion on the Feast of the Holy Family were (top photo) Mrs. Mary O'Neil, her son, Sgt. James O'Neil, Camp Stewart, Ga. and his uncle Thomas Fitzsimons. Holy Name members attended "Candle Light Ceremonies" at district Church observing the Feast of the Holy Name. Lower photo shows the men at Holy Rosary Church, Sunday afternoon.

**Opens With 700 Volumes**

Boys and girls of Holy Cross School returned after the holidays to "view with delight" their new library a veritable creation overnight. Shelves, reaching the height of the blackboard, line two opposite sides of the room, while full length windows on the west provide ample light and air.

The books—which include some 700 volumes, 425 fiction, 275 non-fiction—were collected by all the school children in a parish-wide drive which lasted the short space of one week before vacation. Every book has been carefully reviewed, and only the best children's authors remain on the shelves. Among the non-fiction, books of exploration and travel, scouting, handicraft, and animal-lore are the most popular. The library also boasts a fine set of Catholic Encyclopedia, Britannica and Standard Reference Works.

All the furnishings were prepared by the boys and girls of the upper grades. Three reading tables and their chairs, a magazine table, librarian's desk, and the bookshelves were painted—ivory with brown trim by the boys; while the work of stamping and cataloging the books was taken over by the girls. Posters made during Book Week, as well as paintings done on wood, preserved from the exhibit, decorate the bulletin board and walls. A few of the smaller children, wishing to do their bit, have brought plants and fernery, which help to give the room a home-like atmosphere. Nearly all of the work was done at the sacrifice of many vacation hours.

At present, the system has been inaugurated whereby each grade has a night a week for the use of the library.

The children, justly proud of their accomplishment and still on the alert for more volumes to in-

**Pearl Harbor Hero**

Ashville, Pa.—A Requiem Mass was celebrated in St. Thomas Aquinas Church here for John A. Lippé, U.S.N., a petty officer aboard a warship sunk at Pearl Harbor. He was one of three brothers serving in the Navy.

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**Question of Reprisals Set As Central Verein Topic**

"Reprisals" will be the discussion subject at a joint meeting of Rochester Branches, Catholic Central Verein of America and the National Catholic Women's Union, Sunday, Jan. 18, at 2:30 P. M. in St. Joseph's Hall.

Sunday will begin by members of both branches going to Holy Redeemer Church where the anniversary Mass for the late Rev. Jacob F. Staub, pastor, will be offered at 11 A. M.

"In view of the erroneous opinions that are in many quarters held upon the question of Reprisals, every member should make a special effort to be present at the meeting," officers state.

Reports will be received of the efforts made to assist the Central Bureau "in the splendid work it is performing in behalf of the men in the armed forces of the country, and which work has been so highly praised by the various chaplains in the armed forces."

Discussion of the resolution "After-War Problems," adopted by the national organization in New York last August was discussed thoroughly at a joint meeting of the two Branches, last Friday evening.

This meeting was one of a series being held to acquaint members and the public more fully with the nature of the National organization's resolutions and the manner

in which they may be applied. Formal discussion led by former County Judge Philip H. Donnelly, a member of the national resolutions committee, was followed by a question and discussion period.

Contents of the resolution were fully gone into, and reference was made to the various Christmas messages of the present Holy Father. Attention was called to the famous pastoral of Archbishop McNicholas of Cincinnati on the Russian situation. Much time was given over to the American Bishops' pronouncement of Nov., 1941.

That part of the resolution referring to the winning of the war was carefully analyzed. "The winning of the present war will only be of supreme importance," it says, "provided a just and permanent peace be established."

Members were urged to do all in their power to make the work of our nation effective, but at the same time to keep ever before their mind the real object of the war and the problem that must be faced when the war is over.

One thing, the members pointed out, that the resolution insists upon is that in any efforts at the solution of the after war problems God must be taken into account so that the mistakes of the after war efforts in the case of the first world war will not be repeated.

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