

# QUEST

By FRANK COLAFINTO

## A Prelude to Affirmations: A Civil Armament of Human Values

In this major crisis of history we affirm the logic of art, which is absolute love, and we affirm the logic of the human spirit, which is heroism.

Let what we say here, and sound here, and see here, arm the human values.

This war is fought to master the young and so impound the future of men. The foe, brutal with frustration, would have us become not men but slaves.

Here, in AFFIRMATIONS: A CIVIL ARMAMENT OF HUMAN VALUES, we shall determine by work created the world we want and shall create.

Here, in AFFIRMATIONS, we shall commence offensives of pure morals and pure science. The forces that made Beethoven and wrote his music, the forces that made Pasteur and did his work, will defeat the enemy.

The world we want we shall trumpet with our hands and hearts: a free world, a free life for all of us, each one alone and all together, to fulfill, like fruit trees in the fields of spring, the October of selfhood.

Let therefore all souls the world over lighten with virtue, become resonant as drums, on the march for the peace of justice.

Yehudi Menuhin in recital Friday evening, Feb. 26, 1942, Eastman Theatre; auspices Rochester Civic Music Association. Adolph Heller at the piano.

Program: 1. Cello La Folia; 2. Beethoven Sonata No. 7, Op. 47; 3. Paganini Concerto in D Major, Op. 6; 4. Bruck-Krieger; Novak-Spiritual Melody; Kreisler Caprice Violon; Novacek Perpetuum Mobile.

Like Marion Anderson, so also Yehudi Menuhin was strangely impressive the first half of the evening. He played Beethoven coldly, as if he felt that lover of man would sound alien in a hating world. The dehumanized music of virtuosos Paganini and Novacek Menuhin played freely. It did not plead for his tenderness and pity—qualities which, if let out of his great heart, would be crushed like lambs under the tank tread of philistine barbarism. Just as Bach lifted Marion Anderson to her height, so did Dvorak lift Menuhin full stature, master poet and peer of the violin. It was the vision of his New World Symphony that transfused Menuhin.

In this crisis that imperils humanity the artist, no less than the soldier, is conscript. Where the soldier deals death, the artist must give life. Just as the general plans, from the ineluctable pile of his reports, the strike of doom, so must the artist develop from the sudden inspiration of his vigil, programs exalt with divine love, spontaneous with beauty.

Our friends, cheap to the foe, must poets now hold dear. If bravery and beauty go down in blood and fire, from all souls bridged with beams let sure voices soar.

Are there no graves for women fallen, and do they lie like ruined

## St. Andrew's Parish CAPTAIN REILLY TO LECTURE

A lecture on the manner of handling incendiary bombs during an air raid will be given by Capt. Lawrence E. Reilly of the Rochester Fire College on Wednesday evening, Mar. 4.

The lecture will be given in St. Andrew's School hall after the services. Motion pictures will also be shown. These are scenes taken at the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The public is cordially invited and many will learn from Captain Reilly's talk the value of being prepared.

The program is under the auspices of the Holy Name Society.

## Rochester Tenor To Be Heard In Recital

Charles John Sullivan, lyric tenor specializing in Irish music, will give a recital on Saturday, Mar. 14, in Masonic Auditorium, Main St. East.

A native of Rochester, Sullivan as a boy was a soloist in St. Patrick's Cathedral and was trained under the late Prof. F. Eugene Bonn.

Heard by Dr. Frank Miller, eminent New York throat specialist, he was recommended to Madame Sembrich, the Metropolitan Opera star under whom he continued his study. He sang as a soloist in St. Patrick's Cathedral under the direction of Pietro Von.

His recital is being sponsored by a group of Irish-American friends and is in the nature of an advance St. Patrick's Day celebration, they state.

## Pope Desires His Jubilee Observances Consist Of Union of Hearts

VATICAN CITY. — (NC) — His Holiness Pope Pius XII is desirous that the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his episcopal consecration this year consist chiefly in the union of hearts throughout the Catholic world and in the offering of prayers, Observance Romanos says.

The newspaper says that because of the gravity of the times, the Holy Father does not wish external manifestations as a means of marking his silver jubilee, but hopes that the observances will have a character which he feels is more adapted to the Christian family under the present circumstances.

"The happy anniversary," says Observance, "will certainly draw more closely, in a spiritual way, the Catholics of every nation about the Common Father and in this way they will renew their devotion to His Holiness and give testimony of their gratitude to him."

It is better to make penitents by gentleness than hypocrites by severity.—St. Francis de Sales.

Wines of the blossoming rose? Weep, heart, tears big and slow. Child, is there no lullaby for thee tonight? Mercy will quiet the guns, and let these dreams. Thine innocence lifts charging banners in my soul.

In this beautiful earth black, piling with people I love? Sing, heart, the conquering soul. Sing, the sunrise horns of my vision.

## Offer Scholarship At New Rochelle

Two scholarships, awarded on the basis of a competitive examination, are offered by the Scholarship Committee of the College of New Rochelle, New Rochelle, N. Y. Girls in the upper fifth of their class are eligible for the examination, which will be held on March 28, at 1 P. M. at Columbus Civic Centre. The examination will be a psychological one, for which no special preparation can be made—it is a test of the student's entire background.

Applications for the scholarship must be mailed to the college before March 1. The applications may be obtained from Miss Ruth Segerson, 22 East Blvd., President of the Rochester Chapter of the College of New Rochelle Alumnae, or from the college.

In addition to the scholarships offered by the college, the Rochester Chapter offers a scholarship to the girl who attains the highest grade in the scholarship examination in the Rochester area.

The Scholarships Offered Include: 1. The Mother Augustine Gill Scholarship of \$200 (\$300 a year) awarded on the basis of competitive examination to be held Saturday, March 28, 1942 at 1:00 P. M. 2. St. Angela Scholarship of \$400 (\$100 a year) open to secondary school graduates, awarded on the basis of academic rating, personality, extra-curricular activity, and the recommendation of the principal. 3. Rochester Chapter Scholarship of \$100 to the girl in the Rochester area who attains the highest grade in the competitive examination on March 28.

Miss Genevieve O'Connell, Mrs. Kay Murphy, Mrs. James Cunningham, Mrs. George Howard, Miss Betty Bragg, Miss Jeanne Letellier, Miss Helen O'Connell, Miss Mary Dowling are members of the Rochester Chapter Scholarship Committee.

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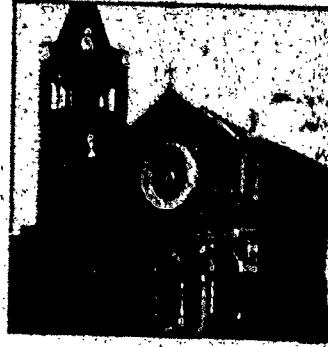
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