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**Report 675 Cases Handled  
By Charities In 1941 Year**

**ELMIRA**—In a recent report to the Budget Committee of the Community Chest the Catholic Charities of Elmira listed a total of 675 instances of cases requiring major or minor service during the year of 1941. This, however, is but a slight indication of the actual accomplishments of the agency in promoting the social, economic, and spiritual welfare of the men, women and children who came to Catholic Charities.

**Organize High  
School Girls  
At Watkins Glen**

**WATKINS GLEN** — Never as in the present times has there been such a great need for unified prayer, a spirit of sacrifice and for the preservation of morals.

Many and varied are the endeavors now being expounded throughout our nation with these objectives in view, for final victory.

So it was that the Maestre Pio Filippini, (Religious Teacher, Sisters of St. Mary's of the Lake Parish, here, organized the I. S. C. or Ideal Social Group for all the High School girls. They were invited to the opening social given by the Sisters on Feb. 15, 1942.

Thirty-five responded to the invitation to the party which proved to be quite gay and enjoyed by all.

At the following meeting, Thursday was fixed as the regular meeting day, also the second Sunday of the month was appointed as Communion Sunday when all the members will receive the most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist, in a body.

St. Cecilia was selected as their Patroness since music will play a major part in the activities of this group.

Following worthy members were elected officers: President, Miss Mary Rose Frank; Vice-President, Miss Polly Schmalz; Secretary, Miss Carmela Fasmary; Treasurer, Miss Anna Stephens. At the same meeting all members were initiated.

**WATKINS GLEN** — Catechism classes are being held every week-day except Monday for children and on Monday and Tuesday evenings at 7:30 for adults in preparation for Confirmation on April 13.

**Prelate Warns Of  
Threat To Youth**

**LONDON** — Catholics in Britain should not think it impossible that what has happened in Germany, in the paganisation of youth might not happen here, says the Archbishop of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, the Most Rev. Andrew McDonald, O.S.B., in his Lenten message.

"The powers of darkness which have wrought such havoc under Hitler's regime within the last few years, will not leave this country unassailed," His Excellency says.

"What has happened in Germany may easily take place in this country too, if we do not prepare ourselves with vigor to meet it. The method of assault will doubtless be different, but unless we are on the alert the results in the long run may be quite as appalling."

**ELMIRA CATHOLIC HIGH**

By **WILLIAM THOMAS**  
The Easter Assembly, held on Wednesday, April 1, featured a discussion of "Latin America and the United States" by the English III class.

The discussion was divided into six topics, each developed by a different speaker. The topics were of such a nature that each thoroughly covered one phase of the question of Pan-Americanism.

Speakers were: Eleanor Maloney, Theresa Milliken, Lois Bauer, William Thomas, John Kerwan and Thomas Connelly. Raymond Scuppis was chairman.

Large drawings and posters representing the ages of the American republics formed an appropriate scheme of decoration for the program. A medley of popular songs suggesting Mexico and South America was presented in connection with the discussion. In addition, a short entertainment rounded out the program.

Following the program, school was dismissed for the 12-day Easter vacation. Classes will resume on April 13.

The report includes the mention of 5078 home and collateral visits, 1221 office consultations, 9649 telephone calls and 599 letters. These figures represent the mechanics and processes of case work service but do not give the equation in human values.

A Catholic agency can give case stories and tell the instances of non-support, marital discord, improper guardianship, desertion and friction with relatives. When such a tabulation is finished the reader would know but little about the reasons why people still come to Catholic Agencies with problems over which the present economic situation has no control or can not correct.

In order to prove why there is a need of social work when jobs are so plentiful it would be necessary to violate confidences and details of the stories that are told to our worker day after day. Each individual who applied or was referred to Catholic Charities was the victim of a personal crisis within himself or his family group. Buried under a complexity of problems, many of these troubled neighbors of ours often need a friendly and professional hand to help them surmount the material and psychological barriers that stand between them and a secure existence.

1941 due to a tragic close in this our America, homes have been shattered by separation from loved ones and wage earners who were unable to hold factory jobs can not meet the ever rising tide of prices. Human relationships are strained by worry and fear, and the grim spectre of uncertainty haunts the footsteps of our Americans.

Eric Biddle, the only American Administrator who was in England during all the blitzes said, "The war will be won on the home front." And so do we in Family and Child Welfare work in America firmly believe.

To quote from Mr. Biddle's pamphlet, "The Mobilization of the Home Front," "If it is agreed that the nation's single purpose is to achieve victory and that it can do so only by securing the maximum efficiency of the workers on the home front, then it must guarantee the supplies and social services necessary to insure the maximum productivity of every worker and to relieve him as far as possible from worry about his dependents."

Grave dangers threaten our American family today. We want peace, but peace with honor and security, not such a peace as we had in 1918. Ours is a democracy, please God, and so those agencies who have pledged themselves to protect the solidarity of the family group, must exist to serve these

All of us at ECCHS wish to express our gratitude to the Elmira Deanery, National Council of Catholic Women, for the large map of the United States, showing Catholic monuments and shrines, which the Deanery recently presented to us. Undoubtedly this map will prove especially helpful in history and religion classes. Not long ago, the Deanery presented a copy of the New Catholic Dictionary to the school.

The Catholic High Camera Club held its regular meeting on Thursday evening, March 26 in the school. After a short session at which a picture was taken for the yearbook, the members went to Columbus Center and attended a meeting of the Southern Tier Camera Club. Following this, motion pictures were shown, including home movies as well as some dealing with fighting incendiary bombs.

people of ours. The first two months of 1942 have shown an ever increasing need of social case work services. It is because of these actual developments in our agency program, that we believe that we must continue action on the Home Front. 1942 will be a momentous year for Catholic Agencies and will see Catholic Charities doing "their part" in a war time program and contributing their every effort to keep our nation intact through the preservation of morals in our family groups.

**Catholic U. Dean  
Now Navy Chaplain**

**WASHINGTON** — A farewell banquet was held at the Catholic University of America here for the Rev. Gerald F. Dillon, Dean of Men, who has been granted a leave of absence "for the duration" to accept an appointment in the United States Navy Chaplain Corps. The Rev. Edgar A. Lang, O.S.B., of the University staff, has been named acting dean in Father Dillon's absence.

**Easter Greetings**



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