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Diocese To Join In World-Wide Observance of Pope's Jubilee

War Bringing Renewed Interest In Religion, Corning Club Is Told

CORNING—"I wonder if the civilized world is not now being punished for its greed," said County Judge George A. King, speaker at the weekly meeting of the Catholic Men's Luncheon Club at the Baron Stephen Hotel on April 29.

Nazareth College Nuns Awarded Fellowship

Sister Francis Solano Geisler of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Nazareth College has been awarded the Peabody Fellowship in Biology by Catholic University for a second year, it is announced this week.

Sister Francis, who will receive her doctorate in 1943, will study this summer at the Woods Hole Marine Biological Laboratory in Massachusetts.

PROMINENT CATHOLICS DECORATED BY HOLY SEE

MONTEVIDEO.—(NCWC)—Two prominent Uruguayan Catholics have been decorated by the Holy See with the order of St. Gregory the Great. Joaquin Reyes Larrea and Horacio Terra Arocena.

Senor Reyes Larrea, director of a local bank, is a fervent member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society and active in other Catholic organizations. His experience as a financier is always at the disposal of the Church and he has rendered considerable service to the Metropolitan Curia in arranging the financial of the archdiocese.

Senor Terra Arocena, an architect and university professor, is Secretary of the National Union of Catholic Action and Director of its organ, La Tribuna Catolica. He has also served as Director of the Catholic daily, El Dia Publico, and is an influential member of the Civic Union Party of Uruguay.

PRIEST SAYS FIRST MASS IN "BLITZED" CHURCH

LONDON.—(NC)—Debris was cleared from the church in Coventry's worst "blitzed" parish, St. Osburg's, to permit a newly-ordained Benedictine monk, Dom Peter Lye, to sing his first High Mass there.

The pastor, Dom Sebastian Simpson, and the men of the parish helped to get the site ready, and the congregation at the Mass numbered 1,200. All the people stood, as the seats had been destroyed. Compline was sung and Benediction was given in the ruins in the afternoon, and the new priest preached and gave his blessing to the people who approached the altar to kiss his newly-consecrated hands.

Dom Peter Lye served an apprenticeship at the Deimler works in Coventry and while working there became Master of the local Catholic Evidence Guild. St. Osburg's parish lost its church, recently-completed school—built at a cost of \$70,000—a new parish hall and the premises of the Catholic Young Men's Society.

Introduced by President Eugene Kelly, who also presented Mayor Daniel Whinnery and Frank J. Bantley, special guests, Judge King gave one of the most inspiring talks ever heard by the clubmen.

"During the Lenten season, just closed," he said, "our thoughts were turned back 2,000 years to the days when Christ walked upon this earth, teaching mercy, justice, the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God.

"The thought must have come to your minds, as it did to mine, how far we have strayed from the divine order of life. I wondered if our world is not being punished for ruthless disregard of human rights and the exaltation of the almighty dollar. We have lived, apparently, for the sole purpose of increasing our gains that we add pleasure to pleasure, trusting that somehow, some way God would protect us from enemies within and without.

It is a rather startling commentary upon the mental attitude of the people of the so-called Christian nations that it was necessary in Russia, the rulers of which are of their Goddess attitude, to fight this past winter between one side and Great Britain and America on the other. This brings the thought that in Russia the people and people, no longer looking God for help, worked out the destiny while here we leaned on Creator in a rather indifferent manner and expected Him to protect us from our own neglect and blindness.

"A recent magazine article asked the question, 'Will the world be the same after the war is ended?' and answers it by saying, 'Yes, if democracy wins.' People are beginning to wonder if the children will know life as they know it, if the pall of depression will be lifted, if hearts will be again, if normal pleasures and recreations will be returned to my answer to that is democracy will win, because it must win life if anything will be sweeter and richer by reason of what we are going through.

"Here, in the United States, despite the debt that hangs over us, the end of the war will be the most satisfactory of any place on earth. In fact it will take generations to recover, but in those days the Axis countries will be going through the same thing.

Centenary of French Playwright Celebrated

MARSHFIELD, N.C.—The centenary of the death of Francois Coppee was celebrated at Paris and also at Marshfield, where a requiem Mass was celebrated in the Dominican Church. Coppee came to fame as a playwright with "Le Passant" but is better known by his book "Le Souffrance" which tells the story of his own conversion to Christianity.



HIS HOLINESS, POPE PIUS XII

TRIBUTE OF PRAYER FOR HOLY FATHER

--Every Priest To Offer Mass --Entire Diocese Asked To Attend Mass

In his pastoral on the Episcopal Silver Jubilee of His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, to be read at all Masses in the Diocese of Rochester, Sunday, His Excellency, Bishop Kearney will specify the following:

Every priest in the diocese will offer his Holy Sacrifice at the Mass on Wednesday, May 13 for the intentions of the Holy Father.

Every man, woman and child in the diocese will be expected to assist at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass on that day in commemoration of the Supreme Pontiff's completion of twenty-five years as a holy Bishop.

National Groups To Attend Annual Mass For War Dead

ARLINGTON, Va.—Representatives of more than 20 local and national Catholic organizations will place wreaths on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery following the fourth annual solemn memorial military Mass at the Amphitheater on Sunday, May 24. The Most Rev. Peter L. Irwin, Coadjutor Bishop of Richmond, will preside at the Mass and preach the sermon. The event is being sponsored by the Washington Cen-

WHAM TO BROADCAST PONTIFF'S JUBILEE MESSAGE MAY 13

The Silver Jubilee of Pope Pius XII's Episcopal consecration will find the faithful of Rochester, Mass. joining in wholehearted devotion throughout the week in paying tribute to the illustrious apostle of peace.

Central radio on the diocesan level will be celebrating the Pontifical Mass on the anniversary.

The Pope's jubilee message on Wednesday, May 13 will be broadcast over Station WHAM, Rochester, beginning at 5:30 P. M.

date, Wednesday, May 13, by His Excellency the Most Rev. James M. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, at 10 A. M. in St. Martin's Cathedral.

Spoken invited.

To this impressive and highly significant service the most cordially invited.

Assisting the Bishop in the Jubilee observance Mass will be: Assistant Priest, the Rt. Rev. Mons. William M. Hart, V.L., Dean of Honor, the Rt. Rev. Mons. William P. Bergan, Chairman of the diocese, and the Rt. Rev. Mons. John J. Sweeney, Dean of the Mass, the Rt. Rev. Mons. George V. Suter, Halstead, the Rt. Rev. Mons. Charles F. Shy, Master of Ceremonies, the Rt. Rev. J. F. Goggin, pastor of St. Bernard's Rectory. Minor offices will be taken by students of St. Bernard's Rectory.

The St. Bernard's Rectory Choir under the direction of the Rev. Bernard's Rectory will sing the Mass. All students of St. Bernard's Rectory will be present.

Representatives from the Catholic colleges and high schools will be present. They will include students from Nazareth College, which pursues from St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing students from Niagara University, Rochester Division, Aquinas Institute, Nazareth.

Deadline Advanced

Thursday, May 14, is the deadline for the submission of all news items for the Jubilee edition of the Catholic Courier.