

**Bishop Kearney Cites Stand On War In Corning Address**

**Cite Publishers For Obscene Books**

LONDON. Two London pub-

lishers and two authors appeared at Bow-street police court here on summonses concerning the appearance of alleged obscene books. The cases were all set for trial.

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**CORNING DIANERY GREETINGS** are extended to His Excellency, Bishop Kearney, guest of honor of the Catholic Men's Club by Monsignor James J. Griffin, dean, and pastor emeritus of St. Mary's Church, Corning, at banquet Monday night at Baron Steuben Hotel.

**Altar Gifts Presented Prelate By Members Of Luncheon Club**

**CORNING**—The Most Rev. James E. Kearney, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, speaking to about 250 people who attended the dinner given by the Catholic Men's Club of Corning Monday evening at the Baron Steuben Hotel, based his talk on the three traditional virtues, faith, hope, and charity and concluded with a message of encouragement and inspiration.

His Excellency was introduced by the Rev. John C. Newcomb, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church and chaplain of the Club.

The welcoming speech was given by Eugene D. Kelly, president of the Club, who introduced Paul Tammaro, general chairman for the dinner, who in turn presented others seated at the speaker's table: The Rt. Rev. Msgr. James J. Griffin, pastor emeritus of St. Mary's, who, as was later pointed out by Father Newcomb, is the oldest priest in Western New York in point of ordination and who will soon celebrate his 60th anniversary as a priest; The Rev. John A. Smith, pastor of St. Mary's; the Rev. A. E. Rawlinson, pastor of St. Patrick's; the Rev. Joseph V. Guilfoil, pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's; the Rev. Lawrence E. Casey, vice chancellor of the Rochester Diocese; James J. McMahon, secretary and treasurer of the Club; Robert Hallahan, grand knight of the Knights of Columbus and vice-president of the Club; John W. McCarthy, chairman of the Board of Directors.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was given by the assemblage at the opening of the program after which the invocation was pronounced by Father Newcomb. Bishop Kearney said the Benediction.

Mrs. Edward Orcutt and Joseph Clancy, soloists, presented several numbers accompanied by Mrs. Clancy and James Day Jr., Sidney Bailey and Russell Currier provided incidental music. At the conclusion the National Anthem was sung by everyone present.

An urgent appeal for blood donors was made by Father Newcomb who regretted that the drive for this purpose was not meeting with the success that it should. He informed the audience that Raymond Older would be present in the lobby after the dinner to take the names of those who would be willing to enlist in this cause.

Father Newcomb then traced the origin of the club in January of this year and the growth of its prestige.

**Open World Conditions**  
In his address Bishop Kearney spoke of the precarious and uncertain conditions which face the world today.

"It is part of the plan of Divine Providence" he said. "It does not happen by chance. No matter how much our lives and the lives of our boys have been upset it is still part of God's plan. When God made them He knew this was going to happen. You and I must have the gift of Faith. It was not brought about by a blind destiny. We know that every influence coming into our lives was woven by God as in a tapestry."

The speaker reminded his audience that the war should not be spoken of as a judgment of God for the very first place it struck, and the first American groups to be touched by it were His servants—men and women who had given their lives in His service and who could have, had they so desired, been teaching here at home. But there is a reason for the present conditions, he assured his hearers, a reason which will help in the salvation of souls.

Quoting the words of Christ, "If any man would come after me let him deny himself; let him take up his cross and follow me," the Bishop said that this war may be to make people realize that sacrifice and self denial and suffering are the purchase price for happiness in eternity.

"If the world in which we live was to be the be-all and end-all it

**Ladies of Charity Plan General Assembly For Wednesday June 6**

The entire membership of the Ladies of Charity will meet at Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Wednesday evening, June 6 for the regular quarterly General Assembly. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament with the Rev. Leo G. Schwab as Celebrant at eight o'clock will be followed by a business meeting and a coffee hour in the church hall.

The plan for General Assemblies was made by St. Vincent de Paul himself. The purpose of these sessions is to acquaint the members of the organization with the specific programs of the sub-committees and give them an opportunity to renew the solemn promises of the affiliation ceremony. The reports at the June third meeting will be in the form of a panel discussion and promises to be both interesting and informative.

**Committees Named**

Mrs. Joseph R. Spiegel, President has appointed Mesdames James E. Casey and Edward J. McGarrell General Chairmen. They have asked Mrs. Faustlin J. Cluna to act as organist, Mrs. H. B. Connolly to take charge of the decorations in the Church and Mrs. Mortimer L. McInerney to arrange the Coffee Table, at which Mesdames Joseph R. Spiegel and Paul M. Stone, President and Past-President of the organization will preside.

The Refreshment committee includes Mesdames Francis Robinson, Stephen Valero, Bertram L. Conastock, Mabel Dickenson, Thomas Delaney, Henry J. Graner, Oscar Elnedy, Frederick W. Causar and Roderick Prechtel, also Misses Sus Coughlin and Irene Kane.

The report of this meeting is to be forwarded to the New York Office of the organization and will be held there for the duration, when it will be sent to the President General of the Ladies of Charity in Paris, France. The growth of the Ladies of Charity in the United States during the past few months proves that Catholic women, in this emergency, are ready to serve their country, their neighbor and their God under the banner of Charity, that virtue so much loved by the Saviour of Mankind, the model of every thoughtful Lady of Charity.

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**NEW MODERATOR**



Rev. Robert A. Bisky

**Fr. Bisky Named L. of C. Moderator**

Appointment by His Excellency, Bishop Kearney of the Rev. Robert A. Bisky as Moderator of the Elmira Ladies of Charity was announced today at the Chancery.

Officers of the Ladies of Charity are: Honorary President, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney; First Honorary Vice-President, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Lee V.F.; Moderator, Father Bisky succeeding the Rev. Thomas J. Toole; President, Mrs. J. R. Spiegel; Executive Director, Miss Mary E. Fitzgerald of Elmira Catholic Charities.

**Progress Is Reported In Cause of Fr. Serra**

**LOS ANGELES**—Definite steps now in progress to advance the cause of the canonization of Padre Junipero Serra, founder of the California missions, are meeting with a widespread response throughout the United States and Mexico, according to the Rev. Eric O'Brien, O.F.M., Vice-Postular of cause who addressed the Newman Club here.

The "articuli" or series of statements of reasons for considering Father Serra worthy of canonization are now being prepared and it is hoped will be forwarded to Rome by late summer, Father reported.