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Nazareth Girl Wins National Poetry Award

Many's the time that a pen has captured a poem for its dreamy owner, but now a poem has garnered for its author the coveted first prize in a nationwide competition!

Having scrutinized all the Catholic student publications in the country, the Catholic School Press Association with headquarters in Milwaukee finally awarded First Prize to Anna Catherine DiLillo for her poem, "Lady of Pain—and of Victory" appearing in the March issue of "Verity Fair," Nazareth College quarterly (itself a consistent winner of All-American, All-Catholic honors).

Readers of the CATHOLIC COURIER may remember Miss DiLillo for her series of articles on the Liturgy, while classmates at college will recall voting her poetry the best during her two years at Nazareth as a staff-member of "Verity Fair."

HER POEM BEST



CATHOLIC COURIER Staff Photo
Anna Catherine De Lillo

Conduct Final Rites For Nun

Sister M. Walburga Frits

Sister M. Walburga of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph died Tuesday, August 11 at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford. Sister Walburga became a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1901. She taught in a number of the Parochial Schools of the diocese including St. Francis Xavier and our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Funeral was held in Holy Family Chapel in Nazareth Convent, Pittsford at nine o'clock on Thursday morning, August 13. Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rev. Joseph C. Merkel assisted by the Rev. Francis J. Buechel as Deacon and the Rev. William D. Bolger, as Sub-deacon. The Rev. Edward Lintz was Master of Ceremonies assisted by the Rev. Joseph Geseff, D.D. The Rev. John M. Duffy was present in the sanctuary.

The final blessing was given by the Rev. Joseph C. Merkel. The blessing at the grave was given by Father Geseff.

Set Institute For N.C.C.W.

WASHINGTON—(NC)—A five-day institute for board members, chairmen, vice-chairmen and consultants of national committees of the National Council of Catholic Women will be held at the headquarters of the National Catholic Welfare Conference here Aug. 30 to Sept. 3, according to an announcement made here.

Mrs. Robert A. Angelo, of York, Pa., President of the National Council of Catholic Women, has been in Washington several days arranging the program of the Institute, which will be the first of its kind ever held on a national scale by the National Council of Catholic Women. The Institute will precede a meeting of the National Council of Catholic Women's Board of Directors.

Prominent representatives of various war agencies will address the board members and chairmen of national committees who are expected to come from all parts of the country for the Institute.

Mrs. Angelo pointed out that the Institute will be essentially a gathering for the discussion of problems faced by the National Council, for the education of committee heads and board members not only in the specific duties of their committees but in the relationship of these committees with each other and with the National Council, and generally indoctrination of leaders of the National Council throughout the country with the aims, functions and purposes of the N. C. C. W.

Among those who have been invited to address and participate in the sessions of the Institute will be the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Reedy, General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference and the Very Rev. Msgr. Howard J. Carroll, Assistant General Secretary of the N. C. C. W.

A feature of the Institute will be a symposium on Day Care of the Children of Mothers in Industry, which will be conducted by the committee of the same name formed at the last convention of the N. C. C. W. Mrs. Jaroslav Folda, of Omaha, heads this committee. Discussions at other sessions will center about this subject also, Mrs. Angelo said, as one of the most pressing problems brought about by the war program.

The National committees whose work will be discussed and outlined and their chairmen are:

Organization and Development, Mrs. J. E. Francher, of Memphis, Tenn.; Cooperating with Catholic Charities, Mrs. Leo Kenny, of Fremont, O.; Cooperating with the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Miss Edmire E. Quinlan, of Green Bay, Wis.; Diocesan Council Historian, Mrs. E. P. Carville, of Carson City, Nev.; Family and Parent Education, Mrs. Thomas G. Garrison, of Golden, Colo.; Immigration, Mrs. William Connolly, of Detroit; Industrial Problems, Mrs. James McShane, of Hammond, Ind.; International Relations, Miss Anne Sarachon Hooley, of Washington, D. C.; Subcommittee on Inter-American Relations, Mrs. D. V. Renuart, of Coral Gables, Fla.; Libraries and Literature, Mrs. Eugene McCarthy, of East Cleveland; National Catholic School of Social Service, Mrs. Gerald McGillicuddy, of Valparaiso, Ind.; Parent-Teacher Association, Mrs. William J. Holtz, of Omaha; Public Relations, Mrs. Frederick E. Murphy, of Min-

Lady of Pain— And of Victory

By Anna Catherine DiLillo
(This poem was awarded first prize by the Catholic School Press Association. It appeared in Verity Fair, Nazareth College quarterly.)

The Sorrowful Mysteries
This will I ask of Thee
O Lonely One,
Deepest night engulfing me
And I alone
With all the sorrow of a heedless world
Upon my heart,
Loneliness and emptiness
For me apart—
That I may share with Thee
Gethsemane.

This will I ask of Thee
O Scourged King,
Bleeding stripes upon my soul,
The hurt and sting
Of mockery and shame—
That I may pray to be
Despised, rejected, and accursed
with Thee,
Scourge me, Lord!

This will I ask of thee
O Thorn-crowned One,
No honors, no reward, no gratitude
For words or actions done,
A crown of thorns to wound my pride,
To humble me
This only, Lord, I ask of Thee,
A crown of thorns.

This will I ask of Thee
O Burdened One
A cross to bear me to the ground,
To fall alone
And lashing whips to make me
rise again,
With bleeding heart to walk with
Thee
To Calvary.

This will I ask of Thee
O Crucified,
Nails to pierce my hands and feet,
A lance to pierce my side,
And Thine own hand
To nail me there upon the cross—
The grace to suffer and to understand,
Cruelly me, Love!

The Glorious Mysteries
Splendor of the Day-Star
Rising on our sight
King of Kings all glorious
In sun and light,
Radiant with the dawn, O Mary,
Sweep your soul with joy, O Mary,
Lactare, lactare,
O Maria!

Heaven's portals open wide
To receive its King
Angel hosts in glad array
Rejoicing, sing,
He is altogether lovely, Mary
Fairer of ten thousand, Mary,
Lactare, lactare,
O Maria!

Flame and fire of His presence
Love of One in Three
Restless winds of God blow wild
In our hearts blow free,
He will come again, O Mary
To your lonely heart, O Mary
Lactare, lactare,
O Maria!

Heaven holds its breath for wonder,
All is hushed and awed
At the beauty of a Woman,
Mother of Heaven's God,
Purest flower of Heaven, O Mary,
Virgin mother of the Son, O Mary,
Lactare, lactare,
O Maria!

They have crowned you with the stars, O Mary
They have clothed you with the sun,
They have set the moon beneath your feet
O radiant one!
Glory of the angels, Mary,
Splendor of all heaven, Mary,
Alleluia, Alleluia,
O Maria!

BOOK CLUB CHOOSES NEW VOLUME ON PIONEER BISHOP

NEW YORK — "The Reed and the Rock," by Theodore Maynard, is the August choice of the Catholic Book Club here. It is published by Longmans, Green and Co.

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