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CONFIRM NEW SOLDIERS OF CHRIST



Many new "Soldiers of Christ" are reported among service men in the United States armed forces. Left, Bishop Eugene J. McGuinness of Raleigh confirms a class of soldiers at Camp Davis, N. C. Center, Bishop Joseph P. Hurley, of St. Augustine, confirms 34 converts at the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville. Right, Bishop John F. O'Hara, C. S. C., Military Delegate of the Army and Navy Ordinariate, confirms a class of V-7 naval trainees and students at Notre Dame University. (N.C.W.C.)

Bishop O'Hara Cites Religion's Role In Building Morale

CAMP SUTTON, N. C. (N.C.)—The part religion is playing in building up and maintaining the morale of American troops was stressed by the Most Rev. John F. O'Hara, C. S. C., Military Delegate, in a visit to this camp last Sunday.

In a short address at a luncheon given in his honor by the Holy Name Society of nearby Monroe and attended by post officers, Bishop O'Hara pointed out that both Church and Government are aware of the importance of religion in the training of men in the armed forces, stating that the proportion of chaplains now assigned to military organizations is vastly in excess of that in World War I, when there was but one chaplain for every 5,000 men, while now there is one for every 1,200 men.

The Catholic Church's effort to minister to the spiritual needs of soldiers and sailors is well exemplified, the Bishop said, in the recent permission for the celebration of Evening Mass.

In the course of his day's sojourn at the camp, Bishop O'Hara administered Confirmation to some troops stationed in this area, was present for an outdoor evening Mass celebrated by the Rev. Chas. J. Webb, O. M. I. camp chaplain, officiated at Benediction and spoke at the luncheon. Over 1,000 soldiers crowded the open-air camp theater for the evening ceremony.

Bought For WAAC's

Ottawa, Immaculate College, operated by the Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception has been purchased by the Government for use by the Canadian Women's Army Corps.

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Action School Calls Sodalists To N. Y.

By Maryrose Barron

AUBURN—Fordham University will be invaded by hundreds of sodalists on Monday morning when the Summer School of Catholic Action will meet for the twelfth consecutive year of its existence. "Six days you will never forget" the advertisements say and anyone who has ever attended a Sodality Summer School will tell you that this slogan means what it says.

Some of these delegates will come from the Rochester Diocese and the City of Auburn which has been represented at nearly every one of these sessions. Will have representatives from the majority of the parishes in the city.

Many people wonder why the Central Office at St. Louis is sponsoring a summer school this year when the world is at war, but most of us will agree that the enemies of Catholicism have not relaxed, even for one moment, from their resentful drive toward the destruction of the Christian way of life. Father Lord, national director of the Sodality, has bravely chosen as the theme for the Summer School of 1942 "What Catholics must offer the peace that follows Victory."

Deemed Worthwhile

The courses are open to anyone interested in promoting the cause of Christ under the banner of Our Blessed Lady. There will be High School and College students, directors of youth organizations, and Catholics who wish to know more about their faith among the delegates at the courses next week. Despite the fact that the Summer School is costly to the National Sodality Office, the directors feel that it is worthwhile. After a careful survey it has been found that no Sodality ever sent representatives without obtaining results. In many cases it has awakened a feeling of great love toward Our Blessed Lady and inspired hundreds of young men and women who had always thought the Sodality boring, with a realiza-

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Australia Catholics Get Dispensation To Eat Meat On Fridays During War

NEW YORK.—A broadcast from Melbourne, Australia, in English heard here, states that His Holiness Pope Pius XII has granted a special dispensation to Catholics of Australia to eat meat on Fridays for the duration of the war, the only days of abstinence through the year to be Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

The dispensation was granted, the broadcast said, because of the difficulty in Australia of obtaining fish and other suitable abstinence foods.

BELGIAN PRELATE REBUKES NAZIS FOR LABOR ORDER

LONDON.—Formal protest has been made to the Nazi authorities by His Eminence Joseph Cardinal van Roey, Archbishop of Malines, against compelling Belgians to work on Sundays and holy days. The protest, according to the Polish Catholic press agency, KAP, was made in a letter to Gen. von Falkenheim, commander of the German army of occupation. Cardinal van Roey warned the General that enforcement of the requirement will leave a scar that only the removal of the source of the evil could heal.

334 In Service

Dayton, O.—An honor roll of 334 former students of the University of Dayton has just been hung at the university. The roster represents 25 classes, beginning with 1909 and extending through 1944.

Tax Levy 'Alarms' Catholics Asserts N.C.W.C. Aide

WASHINGTON — (N. C.) — Recommending specific proposals to clarify the tax exemption character of religious, educational and charitable institutions in the District of Columbia, the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Michael J. Reedy, General Secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, on Tuesday told the Senate Committee on the District of Columbia that Catholics of the United States "are alarmed over this question of taxation."

Announcing that he appeared at the direction of the Administrative Board of Archbishops and Bishops of the N. C. W. C., Monsignor Reedy told the Committee that "it is absolutely necessary, in order to avoid a socialistic form of government, that a separate and independent sphere be acknowledged and occupied by religion, education and charity as a matter of right. We most strongly assert," he said, "that it is our deep conviction that democratic government cannot remain democratic government if it undertakes to monopolize these functions."

The Rt. Rev. Mgr. Joseph M. Neilligan, Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Baltimore and Washington, appeared before the Committee at the same session.

Reason for Alarm
"His Excellency Archbishop Curley is concerned with the provisions of the bill as they affect Catholic institutions in the District of Columbia," Monsignor Neilligan said. "His Excellency believes that there is reason for alarm in this bill as stated at present, not only as it would affect institutions in the District, but later on in all the States as well. The Archbishop's views are contained in the statement to be given here by Monsignor Reedy."

The Senate Committee on the District of Columbia is holding hearings on a measure sponsored by its Chairman, Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada, which seeks the clarification of the tax exempt status of religious, educational and charitable institutions in the National Capital. Over the course of months, the Real Estate Tax Exemption Board of the District of Columbia, applying its interpretation of existing legislation, has placed a large number of religious, educational and charitable properties on the tax rolls. Introduced as a result of this situation, Senator McCarran's bill is called a measure "to define the real property exempt from taxation in the District of Columbia."

Urging several revisions of the McCarran measure, Monsignor Reedy recommended that the bill should include in its category of exempted properties, "churches, houses of study required for religious education and training, and other buildings used for religious purposes (including buildings and structures reasonably necessary and usual in the performance of the activities of religion." The bill, as present, refers only to "churches" in this section as exempt.

Monsignor Reedy also urged the deletion of that section which would restrict educational properties eligible for exemption to those in which there is "a student-teacher relationship," and the substitution of the following provision: "Buildings used for educational purposes (including, but not limited to buildings and structures reasonably necessary and usual in the operation of a school, college or university) belonging to and operated by institutions not organized or operated for private gain."

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SPEAKS ON TAX



Mgr. Michael J. Reedy

De Sales High Class To Dine At Rochester

GENEVA.—The class of 1942 of St. Francis de Sales High School will hold its annual dinner on Aug. 27, at the Rochester Club. Mrs. Howard J. Vitale of Rochester will be in charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Frances Merriman and Mrs. James Deane of Geneva are members of the local committee on arrangements.

20,000 Scapular Packets For Catholic Service Men Embarking For Foreign Duty

A PORT OF EMBARKATION—Twenty thousand Scapular packets were delivered in one consignment for distribution to Catholic servicemen among U. S. Armed Forces embarking for foreign duty. The consignment was requested by the Catholic chaplain at the Port of Embarkation and was delivered by the Scapular Mill, which has distributed free to Catholic servicemen in excess of 200,000 Scapulars individually packed in a four-page folder explaining the Scapular devotion.

The Scapular packets are distributed to departing chaplains, together with the brochure "Mary in Her Scapular Promise" by John Mathias Haffert, Scapular sermon, outline and suggestions for a fitting ceremony of Scapular promise.

The Scapular Mill has its headquarters at 216 East 25th St., New York City.