182 Parishes, Groups Join in NCCS Program

NEW YORK—A total of 182 parishes and Catholic organizations in the city are participating in special and recreational programs for service men, it was reported today by Robert H. Devlin, Executive Director of the National Catholic Community Service of the Archdiocese of New York.

It is estimated that through these organizations approximately 15,000 service men are being served each week. The activities include invitations to dances, prize fights, socials, bowling, instructions, legal advice, free dental service, offering of volunteer assistance, counseling and room service.

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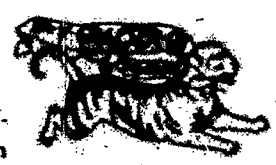

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Windsor Audience Hears Msgr. Sheen Open Culture Series

For the ninth successive year the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Fulton J. Sheen who will open the Aquinas Institute Christian Culture Lecture series on Saturday evening, Oct. 31, opened the Christian Culture League series at Windsor, Ont., on Oct. 4, speaking on "Crisis in Christendom."

On last Sunday afternoon, we heard the distinguished proclamator at the Catholic Central Auditorium, Detroit, give a somewhat different lecture under the same title, preceding to the Annual Brown Memorial Lecture recently established at Assumption College.

At the outset Msgr. Sheen developed the original notion in the Greek word "krisis," meaning a judgment. The war is a judgment on us that we have merited; we cannot blame God. Violation of physical laws brings disaster as it is with moral laws. The great pagans saw that. Thomas Jefferson saw that; Lincoln saw that, as no other American has so clearly seen it.

Every nation is involved in this guilt; and every people must do penance. Msgr. Sheen drew lucid parallels from history, from St. Augustine's "City of God," and from the flowering of Christendom in Medieval times.

He foresees a better people after accepting this purification, this judgment for our sins. Paganism has caused us from lethargy and saved us from a fall into [illegible].

The Church in Russia, after the struggle, will emerge glorious, ready for a great renaissance. She was as Thompson put it, the "Lily of the King."

Before the lecture, Msgr. Sheen, representing Assumption College for the [illegible] Heywood Broun, said that Broun had given him an entirely new insight into Christ's love for mankind. He said that Broun's death was even more redemptive than his life; that the journalists, as a result of his death, and the story of his life, told at the funeral, had embraced the Catholic faith.

At the Capitol Theater in Windsor before an overflow audience of over 2,300, stressed the deep revolution going on behind the economic and political facade of the war. Three revolutions are at work, which will ultimately be reduced to two. The first ideological revolution is the idea of the unimportance of the individual, an idea stressed and popularized by Marx; utilized by Communism in the economic sphere; utilized by Nazism in the exaltation of the race; utilized by Japan and Italy in the exaltation of the nation. The second ideological revolution, one popularized by Nietzsche, the most logical thinker in centuries outside the Christian tradition, is the worship of evil as an end, instead of goodness—the acceptance of Anti-Christ instead of Christ; no longer any false compromise, such as in the sentimentalism of Kant, Fichte, Shelling, and the prophets of the nineteenth century, and in Liberalism.

Msgr. Sheen graphically showed the tremendous effect on Hitler of Wagner, who popularized the German myths and of Nietzsche.

The Christian revolution will eventually face the revolution of Anti-Christ. Will the democracies be able to withstand the assaults? They are like a good ship, laden with precious cargo, but the barnacles are pulling it down to ruin. Among the most evident barnacles are Pragmatism, Scientism, false notion of Progress, and relativism—diseases that are still flourishing in all our secularist schools. While our soldiers are dying heroically to prove that there are values worth dying for, the same nonsense is taught in all the colleges that there are no values. Science is no panacea. The Japanese were given our science a few decades ago along with the false notions of sensate culture, of pragmatism; they put them into practice at Pearl Harbor. Germany was the nation most advanced in Science before the war.

FORTY HOURS

Devotion of the "Forty Hours" will be held in the following churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Friday, Oct. 9—Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Rochester.

Sunday, Oct. 11—Our Lady of Good Counsel, Rochester; St. Hyacinth's, Auburn; St. Patrick's, Dansville; Canandaigua; Hilton; Honeoye Falls, Horseheads; Ontario.

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