

Pope Urges Bolivian Catholics To Further Priesthood Vocations

VATICAN CITY. The current issue of the A la Apostolate Media contains the text of the Apostolic letter which His Holiness Pope Pius XII addressed to the Bolivian hierarchy last November, calling for special solicitude in the training of seminarians.

The training and education of seminarians the Holy Father says is a most serious matter upon which depends the future well-being of the Church. He recalls the Encyclical of his predecessor, Pope Pius XI on the Catholic priesthood, the *Quadragesimo Anno*, in urging that seminaries provide a comprehensive training of the mind, the will and the heart, so as to produce new men worthy ministers of Christ and dispensers of the sacred mysteries.

The Sovereign Pontiff exhorts all Bolivian Catholics, both clergy and laity, to further the work of vocations to the priesthood and to interest themselves in the cause of the seminaries. He makes a special appeal to parents, emphasizing their duty to foster and encourage religious vocations among their children, and expresses the hope that Bolivian Catholic Action groups would take a special interest in and lend important assistance to solving this "very serious problem."

Unpublished Letters

A special appendix to this issue of the A la contains hitherto unpublished letters of Pope Pius XII to the Hierarchies of Argentina, Colombia and the Philippines written in 1930, 1934 and 1939, respectively, and which would be serviceable as a Catholic Action manual.

The letter addressed to Argentina begins by saying that the Church assumes new forms to meet the needs of the times. Catholic Ac-

Boy Scouts Take Second Class Tests

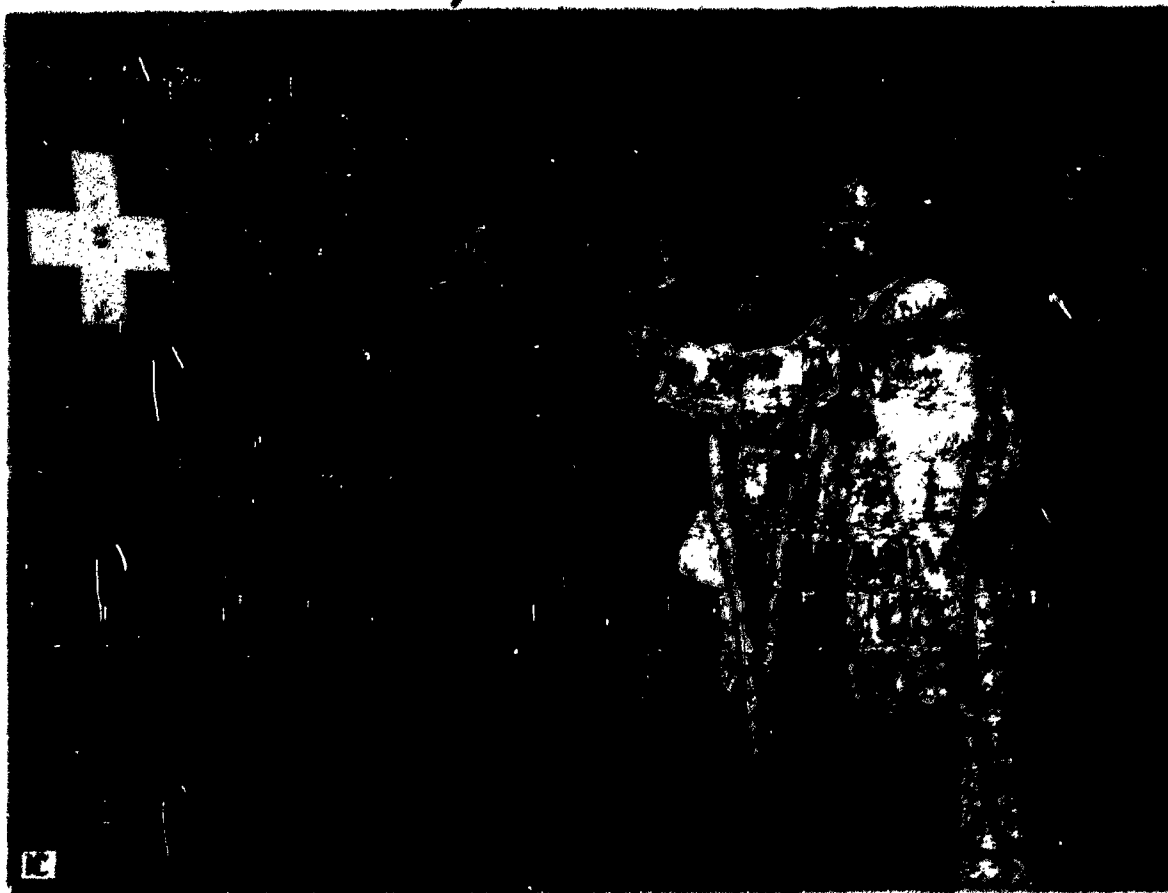
The Boy Scouts of St. Mary's Parish Troop in Elmira Sunday afternoon engaged in second class scouting tests. Fire-building and cooking were demonstrated by 25 members of the troop under the supervision of Daniel Reidy scoutmaster.

It says in an apostolate the purpose of which is not only individual sanctification but also the promotion of the greatest good of neighbor through the united action of Catholics with the hierarchy in moderating and permeating all fields of Catholic life. The letter warns against the involvement of Catholic Action in political parties, but stresses the value to society of a wholesome Catholic Action, and emphasizes that when political questions affect Catholic morals, morals or doctrine, Catholic Action not only can but must intervene. Since the Catholic Action apostolate makes obligatory upon all, clergy and laity, the divine precept of love for God and neighbor, the letter urges a wider dissemination of and participation in this apostolate.

Because the needs of the times demand other and diverse forms of the apostolate, the letter proposes as an ideal system a national council composed especially of men already functioning elsewhere, and diocesan and parish councils united with it. It also proposes, in addition to the official Catholic Action organization, the fostering of auxiliary groups. It congratulates Argentina for the "magnificent progress" already made in the field of Catholic Action.

Similar exhortations and directives were contained in the letters addressed to Colombia and the Philippines, with special attention given to local problems and difficulties.

In Memory of a Polish Patriot



In front of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, Archbishop Francis J. Spellman blesses one of ten ambulances, donated by the Pulaski Day Memorial Committee, to be sent to Polish troops overseas. The picture was taken following the annual parade of more than 100,000 Americans of Polish descent, commemorating the Polish patriot, General Pulaski. Left to right: Rev. Ignatius Soudrowski, Archbishop Spellman and Jan Cieshanowski, Polish Ambassador. (NC-Asse photo.)

Florida Priest Joins

Tampa, Fla. — The Rev. John Mullins, pastor of Christ the King Church here, has been named an Army chaplain and will report for training at the chaplains' school at Harvard University.

ST. PATRICK'S, Owego

PUPILS TURN IN 3 TONS OF SCRAP IN DRIVE

OWEGO — The pupils of St. Patrick's Parochial School took an active part in the recent drive for scrap which was conducted in this village. An intensive drive had been conducted by the schools during the past few weeks and was brought to a close on Oct. 18 which had been designated as Junk Rally Day.

When the total figures were announced last week it was reported that the pupils of St. Patrick's had collected more than three and one-third tons which was nearly a ton more than the amount collected by the pupils attending the Owego Free Academy.

Total enrollment of the Parochial school is a little over one hundred pupils.

Girl Scout Sunday

A large group of Girl Scouts who belong to the Village troops attended the 8 o'clock Mass on Sunday morning in a body and received Holy Communion at that Mass. This was in accordance with the plans for the observance of Girl Scout Week. Each girl scout attended the services in her own church on Sunday. Those attend-

ing the 8 o'clock Mass were in their scout uniforms and were accompanied by their leaders, Miss Anastasia Farrell, Miss Lorraine Hynes and Mrs. Wright Johnson.

Katchuk-Kobylarz

The wedding of Miss Irene Kobylarz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kobylarz, of Newark Valley and Edward Katchuk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Katchuk, of Owego, took place in St. John's Church, in Newark Valley, on Saturday, Oct. 24 at 10:30 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Alexander Stec in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends.

Music for the wedding was furnished by Mrs. Donald Zimmer, church organist, who also sang during the Mass.

Miss Genevieve Kobylarz was the maid of honor and the bridesmaids were Miss Florence Kwiatkowski, of Binghamton, Miss Julia Suptey, of Baltimore, Md., and Miss Virginia Korda.

The best man was John Katchuk and the ushers were Lester Kobylarz, Peter Kinnick and Wacley Kwiatkowski.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents and was attended by about seventy-five guests.

Following a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Katchuk will reside in Baltimore, Md.

ST. JAMES, - Waverly

GDA Greet New Members

By Ellen T. Foley
WAVERLY — Court Joan of Arc No. 235 Catholic Daughters of America is completing plans for a reception of candidates Sunday, Nov. 8. Miss Katherine Leary of Ithaca, District Deputy will be a guest and the ritualistic work will be under the direction of Mrs. Thomas Sheahan, Grand Regent and other officers of the Court.

Mrs. Thomas Sheahan, Grand Regent, Mrs. Mary Lucy, Secretary, Miss Louis Lynch, Treasurer, and several other members of Court Joan of Arc are to attend a Catholic Daughters Conference in Binghamton, Nov. 18.

Brown-Sutton

Miss Genevieve Sutton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George K. Sutton of 433 Clark Street, Waverly, and Private Jack G. Brown of Moody Field, Ga., son of Edward L. Brown of Sayre, were married in the rectory of the Church of the Epiphany, Sayre, at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Rev. Paul J. McKenzie, assistant pastor, performed the ceremony.

Waverly was maid of honor for her sister, and Walter Wrench of Elmira, brother-in-law of the bride, was best man. Following the reception held at the home of the bride's parents, the couple left on a trip to Washington, D. C., and southern states.

The bride is a graduate of Waverly High School and has been employed on defense work at the Belle Knitting Corp. plant in Sayre. Private Brown is stationed at Moody Field, Valdosta, Ga. where he is a mechanic in the Air Force.

John Reagan Rites

Funeral services were held on Tuesday morning, Oct. 27 at St. James Church, Waverly for John Reagan who died in Bath on Saturday, October 24, after a lingering illness. Mr. Reagan was a veteran of World War I and saw overseas service for two years. For some time he has been a member of St. James Church in Waverly.

Mr. Reagan is survived by his wife, Mrs. Amy Reagan of Waverly; two sons, Robert of Hornell and Edward of Athens, Pa.; two daughters, Rose and Nellie of Waverly; two brothers, James of Binghamton and Frank of Washington, D. C.; an uncle, James Reagan of

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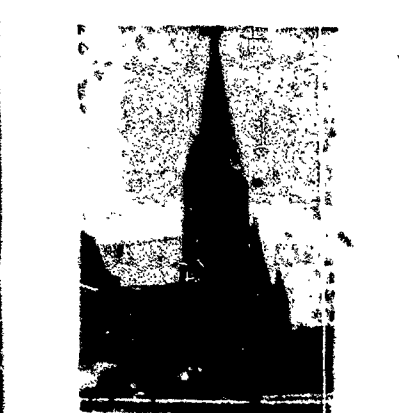
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