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Bishops Warn of 'Slave World'

'Catholic Silence' Deplored At CDA Meet In Binghamton

'The Great Catholic Silence' was the topic chosen by the Rev. John L. McNulty, professor of modern languages at Seton Hall College, South Orange, N. J., speaking at the Catholic Daughters of America district conference held from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. Sunday Oct. 15, in the Arlington Hotel in Binghamton.

'Why aren't we more articulate?' was the question raised by the speaker. He pointed out how little voice in public affairs Catholics in his own state of New Jersey have considering their proportion of the population, citing facts and figures to state his case.

The morning session opened with reports of the various courts on war work, charity work and the social activities of the year. A talk on Study Clubs by Dr. Lulu Spille followed.

After luncheon, Miss Marie C. Curry, state vice regent, presided over the sessions, which opened with Father McNulty's talk. Miss Florence Winter of Washington, D. C. discussed the activities of the Convert League which operates on the simple but important principle that Catholics, who have so much to give, can best do so

by exercising Christian charity in their ordinary contact with those outside the church.

The Most Rev. William J. Hefey, Bishop of Scranton and national chaplain, reminded the delegates that this Christian civilization is at stake in the present war, that this fight of philosophies goes on even within the United States, where the battle is Christianity versus secularism.

The meeting closed with a review of the accomplishments of the CDA in the nation by Miss Marie C. Duffy of Jersey City, supreme regent.

Elmira's who attended the meeting were Miss Elizabeth Holleran, Grand Regent of Court St. Rita, the Rev. William A. Burns, chaplain, Miss Frances Lucy, financial secretary, Miss Margaret Riebel, acting treasurer, Miss Jane Wipfler, trustee, Mrs. Gertrude Holleran, monitor, the Misses Frances Padden, A. Carmella Tresa, and Anna Graham.

Desire 'Without Wings' Says Fr. Walsh of Modern Art

Modern art is desire flying without wings, said the Rev. Gerald G. Walsh, professor of medieval culture, Fordham University, in the seventh and last of his lectures on the great medieval poet Dante, delivered at Elmira College Nov. 18-19.

'For ultimate art, we require the wings of the mind, and if it is possible, the wings of the mysterious.'

Dante divided art into three types that which attempts to reproduce only the shape of the material things, which is the lowest form, the material product with some mental aspect added, some spirit radiating from it, the next highest form and art that has in it the mysterious reverberation of the divine which is the highest and truest art. The decision may be seen in his own great works. The Inferno offers shape, sound, and dramatic movement, the Purgatorio adds meanings and aspects that are not to be put on paper similar to movements in music, the Paradise brings a sense of mystery and waters a longing for beauty.

Dante's own words 'Art is the grandchild of the divine' sum up his Creationist theory that the true norm of art is that which we see in nature, that the artist contemplates the things in nature which were conceived in the mind of God and gives utterance to an imitation of it.

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Father Walsh, who speaks of his subject with evident relish and intense interest, whose very expressive hands follow the rhythm of the poetry he quotes, like those of a music-lover who listens to a fine composition, came to Elmira as part of the Arts Program of the Association of American Colleges. The Association sends out lecturers, specialists in their field, who remain several days at each institution as a 'member of the faculty program' and so are en-

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PROMOTIONS THEIRS—Mutually congratulated are (left) the Rev. Dr. William J. Mahoney, C.M., newly named President of St. John's University, Brooklyn and his successor, the Rev. Daniel P. Mundy, C.M., Dean of Niagara University at Rochester, both institutions conducted by the Vincentian Fathers.

My dear People: The approach of Thanksgiving Day, the day set aside by our President as a special time for prayer for our country's victory, brings to our minds the thought of a prayer of Thanksgiving as well. At the present time when human power means so little, it is natural that the supplication for Divine Assistance should always be on our lips and in our hearts. However, it is, after all, a time of Thanksgiving. Let us then pause to thank God for the blessings we enjoy as Americans, to thank Him for the freedom we enjoy in a world of so much slavery. We listen regularly on the radio and in public to a significant song of this crisis called: 'This is worth fighting for.' If we review the blessings mentioned by the writer, we might add, 'This is worth paying for.' The War Bond pays for it. Your sacrifice in order to buy War Bonds is a measure of your appreciation of God's blessings to America. If then, my dear people, there is a genuine spirit of thanksgiving in your hearts this week, may I ask that you translate the feeling into action. If it's worth fighting for, it's worth paying for. Let everyone buy a Thanksgiving War Bond. With a blessing, I am Sincerely yours in Christ.



+ James E. Kearney BISHOP OF ROCHESTER

Dr. Mahoney Named To Presidency Of St. John's U.

Promoted to President of St. John's University, Brooklyn, is the Rev. William J. Mahoney, C.M., J.C.D., Dean of the College of Business Administration, Niagara University, at Rochester and Niagara Falls since 1930.

Succeeding Dr. Mahoney will be the Rev. Daniel P. Mundy, C.M., as Acting-Dean of the College of Business Administration, of Niagara Falls and Rochester Division.

These promotions were announced today at Niagara University.

Promotion of Dr. Mahoney to the presidency of the large and widely known educational institution conducted by the Vincentian Fathers in Brooklyn is hailed by his host of friends in Rochester. Sincere regret over Dr. Mahoney's going was at the same time being expressed widely.

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Since 1922, Dr. Mahoney has taught psychology at St. Mary's Hospital Training School. An excellent public speaker, he has been heard at various assemblies in the diocese and is highly esteemed for his cogent messages.

Born in Brooklyn, Nov. 19, 1894, the new St. John's president returns to the city where he received his early education in public school and St. John's parochial school. His academic course was made at St. John's High School and collegiate at St. Joseph's College, Princeton. His vows in the

U. S. Hierarchy SOUNDS RINGING CALL FOR VICTORY

WASHINGTON, (NC)—A ringing call for victory for the United States and its allies, with the warning that we are engaged against an enemy that would create a 'slave world' and that compromise is impossible, is sounded in a statement made here Nov. 18 on behalf of the Catholic Hierarchy of the United States.

Entitled 'The Bishops' Statement on Victory and Peace,' the pronouncement was considered and adopted at the Annual General Meeting of the Archbishops and Bishops of the United States held at the Catholic University of America here with 102 members of the Hierarchy in attendance.

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The Most Rev. Edward Muench, Archbishop of Detroit, was again named Chairman of the Administrative Board of the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Kearney, Bishop of Rochester, was elected to the Episcopal Committee of the Confederation of Christian Doctrine. Bishop Kearney is also a member of the American Board of Catholic Missions.

Emphasizing the fact that Catholics are starting every effort in support of the Government's war program, the Bishops in their statement urge to consider the terms and principles underlying the peace. 'We urge the serious study of the peace plans of Pope Pius XII which insist that justice be inspired by love—love of God, and then love of every human being.'

'Our President has given solemn assurance that the United States has no designs of permanent conquest or world interest. Our aim, he pledged, is to guarantee to countries under temporary occupation as well as to our own the right to live in security and peace. We Bishops are confident that the peace of our Father Executive, not lightly made, faithfully mirrors the mind and conscience of the American people.'

'The Bishops assert "This war involves unquestionably the most important moral issue of today. Those nations who failed in waging war to bring about a slave world—a world that would deprive man of his dignity and honor, that would reject human freedom and permit no religious liberty. We are associated with other powers in a steady conflict against these nations to maintain a free world. This conflict of principles makes compromise impossible.'

'In the discharge of our pastoral responsibility, we are gravely concerned about the world peace of tomorrow.'

'Secularism cannot write a real and lasting peace. Its narrow vision open not encompass the whole man, it cannot evaluate the spirituality of the human soul and the supreme good of all mankind. Exploitation cannot write a real and lasting peace. Where greed might and selfish expediency are made the substitutes of justice

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