

Latin-American Forum At Aquinas Dec. 3 Open To Public

Fr. Robert McNamara Explains Topic On Indians and Missions

The Latin American Forum will continue on Thursday, Dec. 3, when the Rev. Robert F. McNamara, M.A. discusses "The Indians and Missions." The second in the series of six forums sponsored by the Rev. John M. Duffy, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, will be held at Aquinas Institute at 8:15 P. M.

Father McNamara, Professor of Church History and Christian Art at St. Bernard's Seminary, will lead a discussion on the missions of Latin America. In commenting on the inclusion of this topic in the series, Father McNamara stated: "The missions exemplify better than anything else the attitude of the Spanish and Portuguese monarchs toward the Indians. The religious and social experiments of the missionary fathers in their Reductions, as the early Indian missions were known, made them pioneers in the field of sociological experiments."

Tells of Brazil Missions

Father Bauman of the Redemptorist Fathers first speaker in the series, impressed his audience of 400 at our Lady of Mercy High School with his graphic description of the countries forming South America. Using a map, Father Bauman broke down many of geographic information. Not all of South America is "south" or in the Torrid Zone, the speaker showed. In its relative position to North America, over half the west coast of South America lies in the same longitude as New York City. Touching on climate, this former Brazilian missionary brought out the remarkable influence the Andes have upon the climate of South America "making many sections that lie within the torrid zone comfortable and habitable. Thus Quito the capital of Ecuador is so close to the Equator that it is said to be on the Equator. But because Quito is situated at an altitude of 8,200 feet above sea level it enjoys the comfortable weather of a spring day during the entire year."

FORUM SPEAKER



Rev. Robert F. McNamara

The mean annual temperature is 70 degrees. On Feb. 11, 1941 it was 104 degrees on the streets of Rio de Janeiro. On Corcovada, the mountain on which the beautiful statue of Christ, the Redeemer stands, it was 85 degrees. A difference of 3000 feet caused the noteworthy difference in temperature.

Father Bauman developed the most important settlements in Spanish South America including Brazil, Columbia, Argentina and Peru which claims Lima with the University of San Marcos, the oldest in the New World, and famed for its two heroes of God: St. Rose of Lima and Blessed Martin de Porres. It was pointed out that Brazil was so named because it was claimed on the feast of the Finding of the Holy Cross.

"Today," concluding the speaker, "it can be said in truth that the aspirations and the ideals of the Land of the Holy Cross are symbolized by the monument of Christ, the Redeemer that greets the visitor as he sails into the beautiful harbor of Rio de Janeiro."

The public is cordially invited to this series, and there is no admission charge.

Bishop Blesses New Organ At St. Ann's Home

Thursday, November the nineteenth, was the occasion of a memorable event at St. Ann's Home. On that afternoon the Most Rev. James E. Kearney solemnly blessed the new electric organ, which had been donated to the Home by Mr. Thomas M. Hogan, in memory of his brother the Rev. John Hogan, a former Chaplain at the Home.

After the blessing of the organ the Most Reverend Bishop delivered a very impressive sermon. During the course of his remarks the Bishop called attention to the dignity of God's Home wherein Christ dwells constantly on our altar in His sacramental Presence.

The Bishop beautifully described the idea of the Church in her care for Christ's home in regard to the Liturgy, the services, and appointments. And in this connection said that no expense or sacrifice is too great. He also said that anyone donating anything to beautify or enhance the love that Catholics bear for the Home of God, human words are incapable and inadequate of expressing the thanks for the donation. God alone in whose honor the gift is made can adequately thank and reward the generosity of a donor.

With his accustomed simplicity and humility the Most Rev. Bishop in his own name, and in the name of priests, sisters, guests and employees expressed his thanks to Mr. Hogan for the donation of the beautiful organ.

The Most Reverend Bishop expressed his delight that the ceremony of blessing the organ took place at a time when a very successful spiritual retreat was being given by the Rev. Peter Engel, C.S.S.R. The Bishop told the assembled audience how necessary and important a retreat is, but particularly for those of us who have passed the flower of life and are now in our declining years. He very aptly compared a retreat to an examination and illustrated his point by reminding those present of their preparation for examination in times past. How they secured copies of questions and

Legal Aid Finds War Cases On Increase

The volume of war service cases coming to the Legal Aid Society is increasing rapidly, it is reported by Joseph A. MacDonnell, president. Since the beginning of the war, the Society has been called upon for legal assistance by members of the armed forces and their dependents who were financially unable to pay attorney fees. The increase in this important service of assistance is clearly indicated by the fact that out of a total of 47 cases since April 1, 1942, 25 came during the month of October. Mr. MacDonnell stated:

At a meeting of the directors of the Society held this week, Henry A. Boswell, Executive Attorney, reported that most of these cases were referred by the War Relocation Authority, Army and Navy officers, Agents, agents of government and social agencies. "The greatly extended protections afforded by recent amendments to the soldiers' and sailors' Civil Relief Act have accounted in part for the increase," according to Mr. Boswell.

Matters on which legal aid was sought include proof of birth, loss, installment payments, loans, adjustment of social insurance and other civil obligations, securing court orders for marriage and a variety of similar cases. Also included among the clients were a number of young men under 21 years of age who desired to enlist, but required a guardian to consent because of the death or disappearance of their parents.

Wins Essay Contest

Montpelier, Vt.—John Girard, 16-year-old sixth-grader pupil at St. Michael's School here, has been awarded first prize in the Vermont State Grammar essay contest, "My Part in National Defense." His composition was entered in the State-wide competition after winning the Montpelier Grammar contest.

Organize Bandage Unit At Mercy High School

Mercy has organized a new bandage unit in regard to the forming of the High School Victory Corps. This bandage unit consists of 22 Juniors and Seniors who meet twice a week under the supervision of Sister St. David and Sister M. Jane Frances.

In a special room the girls decorated with Red Cross pins and snuck make and roll bandages furnished by the R. C. A. for the Red Cross under the direction of Mrs. Edward Sumner and Mrs. Joseph Quinlan.

GIRL YOUNGEST LAWYER
New Orleans—The youngest lawyer in Louisiana is Miss Courtney Marie Schira, a graduate of Loyola University of the South of the 1942 class. She took the State bar examinations in July but when the others who passed were admitted to the bar she was still not 21 years old. She was 21 on Sept. 23 and has just been admitted to the bar.

K. of C. Auxiliary Lists Annual Welfare Benefit

Ladies' Auxiliary, Knights of Columbus, will hold their annual Benefit Party on Tuesday evening, Dec. 1, at 8 P. M., in Columbus Civic Centre Ballroom.

Proceeds of the party will go towards the Knights of Columbus Welfare Fund.

Mrs. Charles F. Raymond is Honorary Chairman, Mrs. Thomas H. O'Connor is General Chairman and Mrs. Philip F. Hafner Co-Chairman.

They are being assisted by a number of active committees headed by the following: Table Prizes, Mrs. Joseph P. Flynn, chairman; Tickets, Mrs. Cal Lofink, chairman; Cards and Talies, Mrs. Harold Kelleher; Publicity, Mrs. Joseph F. Ritz; Decorations, Mrs. Frank M. Beaucaire; Candy, Mrs. George Andrews, Sr.; Wares, Mrs. Paul A. Predmore, Usher.

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