

Recollection Day Services Conducted For Verein Units

A "Day of Recollection and Prayer For Victory and a Just Peace," attracted many members of the National Catholic Women's Union and of the Catholic Central Verein of America, Rochester Branches to St. Joseph's Church, last Sunday afternoon.

Democracy Advance In Latin Americas Reviewed By Dr. Abell

In the last of the pre-Christmas Forums on Latin-America, sponsored by the Rev. John M. Dudy, Superintendent of Schools, last night, an interested audience heard Dr. Aaron Abell, Professor of History at Nazareth College, talk on "Latin America's Struggle for Democracy."

Discussing the wars for Latin-American independence Dr. Abell pointed out that these wars, like our own American Revolution, were the outcome in large part of the desire for democracy on the part of colonial Hispanic American people, and that following their successful revolt these neighbors of ours to the south set up governments which were republican in form.

The similarity ended there, the speaker stated. "Whereas the United States immediately entered upon an era of stability, unity and ever-growing democracy, the Hispanic-American states suffered chronic disunion, dictatorship and internal revolution for a half-century or more."

The speaker in developing the expansion of political growth showed that while the Latin-American states suffered terribly from dictators and tyrants, the forces of orderly progress won out in the end in several of the more important lands.

During the course of the 19th century great material and cultural advancement occurred. For example, in Argentina, Brazil and Chile and later in Mexico, Costa Rica, Columbia and Uruguay. As railroads came to span large areas, as immigrants from Europe came to make up a large fraction of the population and as middle classes developed, the capacity as well as the desire for truly democratic government was more and more evidenced.

Dr. Abell in concluding referred to the last half-century as the age of democracy both political and social in Latin-America.

The series will continue on Thursday Jan. 7, when the Rev. Frederick J. Zwierlein, S.T.L., at Aquinas Institute, will discuss "Mexico and its Troubles."

Christmas Charities Mapped By CDA Court

AUBURN.—Court Auburn, Catholic Daughters of America, held their December meeting at the Home in South St. A report of committees on recent affairs was made and plans perfected for Christmas charities.

Miss Isabel Goss, grand regent, presided. The Sewing Committee has appealed for women to sew, to come to the Home on Wednesday afternoon of each week, where there is sewing to be done for the Red Cross and the Hospitals. Each member brought a donation for the Christmas Baskets.

Rochester diocese is unusually privileged in having a Lay Retreatal House. The development of closed weekend retreats for laymen is a "must" for men of the true Faith.

Services began at 3 P. M. and were concluded by Solemn Eucharistic Elevation of the Most Blessed Sacrament with His Excellency, the Most Rev. James E. Keozacy, officiating.

The services were conducted by Rev. Stephen W. Aulbach, C.S.B., Rector of St. Joseph's Church.

Father Aulbach pointed out the importance of prayer in securing a speedy termination of the war and of a just and honorable peace. Chief among the prayers he stated is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and he urged those present to make every effort possible to get to Mass daily.

The Redemptorist Father also told of the history of the Rosary and the important part it played in the past in the prayers of the Church. He referred to the Albigensian Heresy and how it was put down by aid of the Rosary. He stated that an excellent practice, especially during these days is to make regular and frequent visits to the Blessed Sacrament.

The day of recollection and prayer was one of a series of such spiritual exercises which are being conducted throughout the country at the request of the National Catholic Central Verein of America.

HOLY FAMILY HIGH-LIGHTS

By MARY ELLEN FITZGERALD SENIOR-JUNIOR BALL

AUBURN.—The president of the senior class at Holy Family High, Robert Doyle, has announced that the annual Senior-Junior Ball will be held in the North St. auditorium on Monday evening, Dec. 29, from 9 to 1 o'clock. Mr. Doyle is chairman of the occasion and the following committees have been selected to assist him.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The eagerly awaited Christmas Party for the high school students will take place on Monday, Dec. 21. On this occasion the priests and members of the faculty are the honored guests of the students at a dinner served by the parents of the student body.

This year the music of "May Doyle's Five Bombers" has been secured for the occasion, and all things promise that "a good time will be had by all."

At this time a tableau, The Nativity scene, will be presented by the members of the Sophomore Class and also a one-act comedy, "Junior Faces the Tire Shortage," by the members of the Dramatic Club. The cast of the play is as follows:

Paul Tom Wall
Mr. Jones Paul Sargent
Mrs. Jones Anne Hennessy
Mary Eileen Flynn
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BISHOP DANGLMAYR NAMED WAR LABOR BOARD ADVISER

DALLAS, Tex.—The Most Rev. Augustine J. Dangelmayr, Auxiliary Bishop of Dallas, has been named a member of the War Labor Advisory Council of the South.

The purpose of this newly created board is to work out a general industrial policy and to make adjustments with respect to prices and wages necessary to aid in the effective prosecution of the war and to prevent speculation.

Teach Pedagogy


MOGOTTA, Columbia.—Through the initiative of the University of Columbia, Columbia and under the auspices of the American Teachers' and University's Council, a series of lectures will be available to teachers and professors during the approaching vacation period.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY ENJOYED

The Rosary Society of St. John the Evangelist Church, Humboldt St., held its annual Christmas party on Thursday evening, Dec. 17, in the church hall. A chicken pie supper was served at 6 o'clock, followed by games, cards and the exchanging of gifts.

Mrs. Leo J. Gronell was general chairman of the affair and she was assisted by Mrs. Julian Stanwix as co-chairman. Reservations were taken care of by Mrs. Julian Stanwix and Mrs. Clarence Brauch; Cards, Mrs. R. M. Hasbrouck and Mrs. H. E. Kennedy.

J. W. Benedict and Mrs. J. M. Geogary; Gifts, Mrs. Arthur G. Smith and Mrs. Harold Nichols; Decorations, Mrs. Charles Servas and Mrs. George Huggins; Publicity, Mrs. Harold Nichols. Hostesses included Mrs. E. W. Crough, Mrs. Frank Lams, Mrs. J. D. Crowley, Mrs. L. J. Schickling, Mrs. H. E. Dodson, Mrs. T. J. Boyle, Mrs. W. E. VanEpps, Mrs. Anna Finegan and Mrs. L. J. Gronell.

BLANKET CLUB
St. John's Rosary Society Blanket Club for the week of Dec. 15 honored Mrs. G. Hanes, of 99 Def-