

Verein Urges Mothers With Small Children To Avoid War Work

Considerable interest was manifested last Sunday afternoon at the regular meeting of the Catholic Central Verein of America, Rochester Branch, in the "Victory and Peace" Statement issued by the Archbishops and Bishops of the United States following their general annual meeting on Nov. 11-12.

The statement was read in full and the various headings were discussed. Particular attention was devoted to the matter contained under heading "Employment of Women." According to the views expressed by those who spoke in the question, ample reason exists for the action of those who oppose the employment of mothers with minor children. It was argued that every effort should be made to avoid the employment either in the defense industries or in the armed forces of mothers with minor children, until such employment becomes absolutely necessary.

It was pointed out that one of the most important questions before the American public is the matter of the preservation of the family. Even without the circumstances that have arisen because of the war, the American family was more and more threatened by divorce, and by the astounding number of child murders a year as shown by reliable statistics.

It was suggested that ways and means be found by which both the National Catholic Women's Union and the Catholic Central Verein of America, Rochester Branch, could aid in combatting the elements that are working against the best interests of the family.

A report of the conference of parish credit unions held Dec. 17 at Holy Redeemer Credit Union rooms was given.

Wins Art Fame



Richmond Barthe, Catholic Negro sculptor, who has been awarded sixth prize by the Metropolitan Art Museum of New York for his statuette, "The Worker," which was an award of 1942. One thousand exhibits from all parts of the country were entered. (N.C.W.C.)

Spread Knowledge

LONDON.—Several Catholic societies are taking part in a nation-wide winter campaign to popularize the Joint Pastoral of the Hierarchy on social questions, issued recently over the names of the four Metropolitan bishops on behalf of the Bishops of England and Wales.

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NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

A Happy New Year to all our faithful parishioners! God's blessing be with you, with all who are dear to you, particularly with your sons and brothers and sweethearts in the armed services of our country in all the days of the New Year 1943!

New Year's a Holy Day of Obligation Feast of the Circumcision Masses at usual Sunday hours 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15 Solemn Mass at 11 A. M. Confessions Thursday 3:30 and 7:30 P. M. Meat allowed to all on New Year's Day.

New Year's is also the First Friday of January. A good day to begin the Devotion of the Nine Fridays—the first day of 1943.

Holy Hour on Thursday begins at 7:30 P. M. Plan to spend the closing religious service of the Old Year with the Sacred Heart.

Special prayers for all our soldiers, sailors, marines.

Parish Debt Collection Next Sunday. Your one dollar donation each month will help us reduce the parish debt. Begin the practice of helping so laudable a parish activity by your monthly gift. Your improved finances permit you to help now in a way you were unable to help during bad times. Take an envelope this morning, return it next Sunday with your Debt Contribution.

Thank You For Your Increased Sunday Offering. It is a real tribute to your loyalty to your parish church that you have made a substantial increase in your Sunday offerings during 1942. It is an indication that you will continue this project during 1943. Your weekly pay envelope is better filled than in many years past; you find it easy to give a dollar on Sunday as your usual offering. Some on better incomes give more. Thank you for your interest and cooperation: your Pastor can serve the best interests of the parish well only because you cooperate so understandingly and so generously.

Parish Envelope Sets For 1943. We have a set for every parishioner. Yours is on the table today—or in your paw. Write your name and address on the initial envelope; your number on the set will thereafter identify your Sunday Offering.

Envelopes put good order into your giving! So important a project as proper parish support should be planned carefully and provided for religiously. Your set of envelopes will help you so plan it, will remind you each week of the preparation and contribution of a worthy amount. You labor

for the Lord when you follow your weekly routine in shop or store or office; of your labor you receive your just pay; you set aside some of it for home expense, some for personal wants, some for pleasure, all this for yourself and family, you will also want to set aside some for God and His Church. This is best done when you use the Envelope Set.

Will you take your Envelope Set today, carry it home with you, use it during 1943? Thank you! We appreciate your cooperation, we like to see your own personal envelope, we like to credit beside your name on our lists the amount you give each Sunday to Church support.

See the Old Year Out! Not in some questionable place of alleged entertainment; not in a cabaret or night club; not in a saloon or drinking place. Rather, in your parish church offering up with your fellows the last devotional service of the year: thanking God for the blessings of 1942; asking His help for 1943. Praying for your own, for your country, for the world, for an early and victorious peace. You will feel better after seeing 1942 out in this way: you will begin the New Year aright when you spend it with God, pleasing God, beseeching God for the blessings of the New Year that will mean so much for your happiness, your sanctification, your success in your worldly career, and your eternal happiness in your heavenly career. Do not just see the old year out; pray the old year out, pray in the New Year!

College Students Visit Blood Bank On December 7

NEW YORK.—One hundred and seventy students of Manhattan College visited the American Red Cross blood bank center here on the anniversary of Pearl Harbor and donated blood to the organization.

The action was taken following a rally on the campus at which the students were addressed by Martin J. Conboy, prominent Catholic attorney, and Brother A. Victor, F.S.C., President of the College.

COLORED N. N. UNION

New Orleans.—An archdiocesan union of Negro Holy Name Societies has been reorganized. The Rev. A. J. Hackett, C.S.S., Pastor of Holy Ghost Church, has been designated by the Most Rev. Joseph P. Rummel, Archbishop of New Orleans, to form the union.

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