

You Get 1 Advertiser

It's just common sense, as far as I can see . . . It's Results that count! And not only the results that follow immediately after the insertion of an ad . . . long term results are far more important! Advertising in the CATHOLIC COURIER insures the future of my business and keeps my name in front of prospective customers.



BRIGHTON PLACE DAIRY




HART'S
Premiums
Are
"Extra" Savings

Visit Our Premium Parlors
388 EAST MAIN ST., NEAR GIBBS

Then you'll realize why thousands save Hart's Coupons. The display of valuable merchandise you can get is simply amazing!

SHOP AT HART'S
AND SAVE ON YOUR FOOD NEEDS



AN IDEAL LIVING PLACE FOR THE GIRL AWAY FROM HOME

For the girl away from home the Columbus Civic Centre is the ideal place to live. Conveniently located in the heart of Rochester it offers easy access to all places of business and amusement. Its economical rates and its comfortable rooms make it not only the most ideal but the most logical place to live.

COLUMBUS CIVIC CENTRE
"The" Centre of Rochester

STONE 1492 50 CHESTNUT ST.

Catholic Guidance Given in Current Events By Verain

How Far the Middle Class is Weakening?

Grave concern for the future of the middle class has been expressed by not a few sociologists, who perceive that the war may seriously affect the very existence of this class. That this would be injurious to the true welfare of society and would be a staggering price to pay even for victory was the conclusion of the St. Louis convention of the Catholic Central Verain of America. An outspoken resolution on the middle class charges that unless steps be taken to remedy existing conditions, such a dread possibility may actually come to pass.

Although fully aware of the fact, the resolution sets forth, that the immediate national task is the winning of the war, we insist that vital principles of our democratic institutions and fundamental policies must be upheld and the successful termination of the war be jeopardized and the future welfare of our country endangered.

Effective warfare on fronts encircling the globe undoubtedly necessitates the pouring out of billions upon billions of dollars. The sacrifices occasioned by this need must be equitably shared by the entire nation. But the scandalous fact of huge profits and wages in war industries, irreconcilable with the tax burden imposed on the great majority of the people, must be remedied. Moreover, obvious tendencies toward even greater centralization of power, with the concomitant increase of a bureaucracy militating against the free exercise of genuine Democracy, must be checked.

SAFEGUARDS NEEDED
We cannot consistently and effectively combat the teachings of totalitarianism unless at the same time we reinforce and secure the safeguards of Democracy and the rights and freedom of the individual under Democracy, which is the antithesis of the tyrannies of totalitarianism. The common ideal, the welfare of all classes and estates of society must be the concern of Democracy. On the other hand, the totalitarian State sacrifices the general welfare to the interests of the few who, as the ruling party or servants of that party, shape public life in accordance with their selfish will and purposes.

In this connection the Catholic Central Verain of America wishes to re-emphasize in particular its stand in regard to the middle class.

Unfortunately, the fear expressed regarding the future of the middle class by the 1941 convention of our organization has been more than vindicated by the progress of events within the past year. The resolution, stating that "present tendencies of a political and economic nature appear to threaten its very existence," appears, if anything, more correct today than it did a year ago.

It is also regrettably true that the war is being used as the cloak to excuse the progressive elimination of members of the middle class. Increasingly are the small business men and manufacturers feeling the pinch of war priorities, having difficulty obtaining war contracts themselves, because "they are too small." There is ample warrant, in fact, for the prediction that the middle class in general, and small business in particular, is being strangled out of existence.

The decline of the middle class, to which, it should be noted, the greater number of Catholics belong, must be viewed as a dangerous symptom of social sickness. For it is upon this class all Christian sociologists base their theories of social reform. Remove it, drive its members into the ranks of the lower classes, and a disordered social body composed of proletarians and the wealthy will be established, with an unbridgeable chasm separating the two groups. If the middle class is placed in jeopardy by the war, and we submit that this is the case, even in victory our country will be the loser.

In the middle class as it is now constituted we would include also the farmers. While farmers generally are receiving better returns for their products than for many years past, the agricultural problem is by no means settled. Like a sleeping giant it will lie until the war has come to an end, when it will awake to threaten the order of farmers with destruction. Ab-

andoned industries and factory farming will then be all included working to continue the process of driving from the land the economically weaker farmer. But can such conditions long endure without disastrous consequences? Can a nation permit its middle class, the backbone of society, to be destroyed with impunity? Hardly. Take away the backbone and the human body collapses, take away the middle class and the social body disintegrates.

To the seriousness of this problem we would call the attention of our members and also of those guiding the country's war efforts. We would also remind them that any plan for post-war social reconstruction must take into account the middle class, whose interests coinciding with those of the country generally must be safeguarded if sound reconstruction is to be effected.

**A Good Place To—
Buy A Wrist Watch**

Beautiful Watches for Ladies and Gentlemen
At Pre-War Prices. All Guaranteed

ALSO GOLD RINGS, LOCKETS, GOLD CROSSES, CHAINS
FOUNTAIN-PENNS, CLOCKS AND OTHER JEWELRY

WATCH REPAIRING OUR SPECIALTY

HIGH QUALITY : MORTON : 985 GRANITE BLK.
FAIR PRICES : : CONVERSE 1146-W

Old Wills

If your Will was drawn some years ago, we urge you to review it in the light of today's tax burdens, general conditions and possible changes in the needs of beneficiaries. See your personal attorney about revising your Will now.

**LINCOLN-ALLIANCE
BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**

Member Federal Reserve System Member F. D. I. C.

Tom Thumb Specials

THAT ARE REAL SAVINGS

These products are especially prepared for home use. Ready-to-use for the occasional repair job around the house.

FOUR HOUR ENAMEL in 16 COLORS

Prepared Paints	Drain Opener	Hand Soap
Varnishes	Polishes	Auto Top Patch
Stains	Paint Sundries	Cement
Emulsions	Cements	and many others
Oil Soaps	Oils	10c per can
Cleaners	Patching Plaster	

Barnard, Porter & Remington
9, 11, 13 North Water Street - Main 8140

Rochester's Most Complete Paint and Art Supply Store
Just a step from Main Street

PAINE'S

PAINE'S OCTAMIN

Each capsule supplies: Vitamin A, 5,000 U.S.P. units; Vitamin D, 800 U.S.P. units; Vitamin B1, 500 U.S.P. units; Vitamin B2 (G), 1,000 gamma; Vitamin B6, 250 gamma; Calcium Panthathenate, 1,000 gamma; Vitamin C, 600 U.S.P. units; Nicotinamide, 20 milligrams.

100 Capsules \$3.95

"It's Better To Bring Your Prescription To Paine's Than To Wish You Had"

THE PAINE DRUG CO.
Apothecaries—Established 1820

24-26 EAST MAIN STREET PHONE MAIN 1820

TELEPHONE OR MAIL ORDERS SENT CHARGE OR C. O. D. DELIVERIES POSTPAID ANYWHERE IN NEW YORK STATE