LADIES OF CHARITY— Jottings Here and There

Members of the Ladies of Charity are qualified for membership in the United States Citizens Service Corps provided that they have given fifty hours of service on agency connected projects since Pearl Harbor. A special request was made that all members attend the induction ceremony for members of this corps at Elmira Free Academy on Wednesday, March 17, at 8:15 o'clock.

Membership does not involve any additional duties beyond those that have already been assumed by active members of the Ladies of Charity.

The weekly rehearsal of the cast for the operetta, "The Gypsy Rover," was held on Tuesday, March 16 at 8 o'clock at Columbus Center.

The CYO Crafts Class met at 4 P. M. on Wednesday, March 17, in the Federation Building. Mesdames W. Joseph Dowdle and John B. Ronan were in charge.

Members of the Committee of the Infant of Prague are resting on their laurels after the success of the tea which was a part of the observance of the Feast of St. Louise de Marillac. Members of this committee were in complete charge of the work behind the scenes.

Although continuing their regular schedule at St. Joseph's Hospital during the present week they have postponed their regular monthly meeting until Thursday, March 25.

Basketball teams representing the various parishes will play at SS. Peter and Paul's Hall on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. W. Joseph Dowdle is in charge.

The newspaper class which is made up of reporters from several of the parochial schools started work on the April edition of their paper on Wednesday, March 17, at 7 P. M. under the direction of Miss Rita Hickey.

Members of this group have been busy during the past week supervising the sale of the first copies of the CYO Star which was released last week.

The Red Cross Committee met at Columbus Center on Wednesday at 2 P. M. Because of the accumulation of work a full attendance was requested by Co-chairmen Mesdames Daniel J. Reidy and John S. Maloney.

Friday's sewing group will convene this week at 2 o'clock at Columbus Center. Mrs. J. Bertram Comstock is in charge.

The interest in the swimming class for girls which is held at the YMCA each Saturday evening has been indicated by an increased attendance. Miss Isabelle Jennings is instructor with Mrs. Dowdle in charge of business arrangements.

The regular meeting of the Committee of Our Lady of Good Counsel was held in the Federation Building on Thursday, March 18, at 7:30 o'clock. Chairman Mrs. Samuel Terwilliger urged all members to be present. There were several important matters of business to be transacted.

Msgr. Tiso's Death Denied

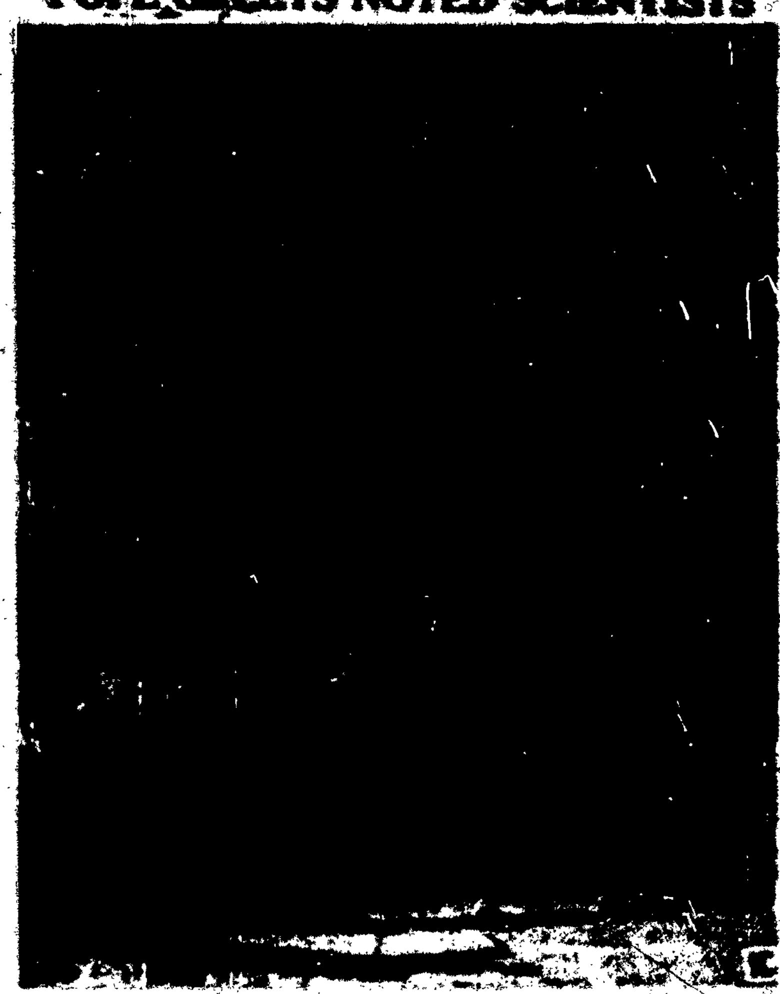
LONDON (NC)— Czechoslovak authorities here deny the report given out last month by the Vichy Radio that Msgr Joseph Tiso, who served as first President of the Slovak Republic, is dead.

Information received here, it was stated, was to the effect that it was the father of Monsignor Tiso who had died.

Elected To Gallery

WEBSTER GROVES, MO.— Four authors of children's books have been elected to the Gallery of Living Catholic Authors by the Committee on Juvenile Literature. Those chosen are Valenti Angelo, native of Italy and long a resident of California, whose home is in Bronxville, N. Y.; Mary Jane Carr, of Portland, Ore.; Mildred Criss, Lincoln, Mass., and Margaret Ann Hubbard, Duluth, Minn.

POPE GREETS NOTED SCIENTISTS



Delegates to the International Congress of Mathematicians are pictured at the entrance to the Pontifical Academy of Sciences building in Vatican City, during their last session. His Holiness Pope Pius XII addressed a gathering of distinguished savants here, recently, when he inaugurated the seventh academic year of the Pontifical Academy. (N.C.W.C.)

Her Daughters Honor St. Louise de Marillac

By Mary E. FitzGerald

Iris and violets, gaily worn on a March day or proudly displayed in the windows of local florists may cause many an observor to question such extravagance. Any Lady of Charity will justify the practice and answer your criticism.

Saint Louise de Marillac, the first Lady of Charity, chosen for that position by St. Vincent de Paul Himself died on March 15, 1660. She was interred in the Chapel of the Visitation, and the Abbe Gobillon bears witness to a miraculous incident at the tomb, one which was testified to by hundreds of trustworthy witnesses at the same time: "There arose from the tomb a cloud which exhaled a perfume like that of violets and iris, and so strong was the delicious fragrance that those who prayed at the tomb, while it lasted, carried it away in their clothes, and the Sisters, taking it thus to those who were sick in the infirmary. I might add," says the Abbe Gobillon, "that after having taken every possible precaution to examine if this was not the effect of some natural cause, I have failed to find any to which it can be attributed." This quotation is taken from the "Life of Saint Louise de Marillac," arranged by a Sister of Charity at St. Joseph's College in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

FRAGRANCE LASTS

Two hundred and seventy-four years passed and the body of St. Louise was removed from the original resting place a short time before her canonization, and the fragrance of violets still permeated the tomb. The canonization of this great model of Charity is believed by many to have been delayed for such an age as the present. The suffering world of today is sorely in need of such leadership as hers in caring for poor, lonely and sick souls. It was the miracle of the violets which suggested the plan for making her name better known. In our national capitol and in several other cities including Elmira, the observance of the Feast Day of this great Saint will take place during the month of March. Posters in florists' windows will announce the reason for the special displays of iris and violets and small corsages of the same flowers will be worn by Ladies of Charity and their friends. Hospital Wards will be graced by gay bouquets of the same flowers and members of the organization, who are ill will be remembered with similar mementos of St. Louise.

St. Louise offers a challenge to the busy Lady of Charity of today. She was foundress of a community, which united the life of Mary with that of Martha and she combined active service with a deep spirituality. Such spirituality and service should be the keynote of the life of every thoughtful Lady of Charity.

SERVED MANY HOURS

St. Louise filling the role of wife and mother still found time to devote many hours to the service of God's poor and underprivileged. Traveling during those early days of the seventeenth century, under the greatest inconveniences and living in poor, uncomfortable quarters she labored tirelessly in spite of her frail physical condition.

One of her most touching intimacies with our Lord was her practice of adoring the Blessed Sacrament and saluting the good souls in villages through which she passed during her journeys through France. It was her custom to send her Guardian Angel on such errands with this prayer, "Go, my dear Angel, I entreat you to where my Jesus abides. Tell this Divine Savior that I adore Him and love Him with all my heart. Invite that Divine Prisoner of love to come and dwell in my heart."

Here was indeed an offering of Violets of Service of the Poor, to Christ Himself, in the words of J. B. Tabb:

"Thou hast on earth a Trinity,
Thyself, My fellow-man and me,
When one with him, then one with Thee,
Nor, save together, Thine are we."

Wins Scholarship

Winona, Minn. — Miss Grace Darwin, of Virginia, Minn., an alumna of the College of St. Teresa, here, has been awarded one of a group of three Backett Graduate Scholarships at Columbia University. The scholarships are granted annually to the graduate students of Columbia who do the finest work in the course on the law of libel.

Charities Leader

East Orange, N. J.—John A. Cullen, attorney, who has died here, was a leader in New Jersey Catholic Charities. He was 73. He served as executive secretary of the Catholic Children's Aid Society of the Archdiocese of Newark for 24 years and had been it's legal adviser since 1937.

Church and Charter Aims In Accord Says Archbishop Spellman

ALGIERS—Objectives outlined in the Atlantic Charter on the "natural rights of man" agree with "the traditional teaching of the Church and are in accord with the Christian [illegible] ... the Most Rev. Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York and Military Vicar of the United States Armed Forces, declared here [illegible]

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"You are the sacred instruments of the triumph of our cause," Archbishop Spellman told the soldiers and sailors. "You are the [illegible] people to Americans in the homeland, not alone in the firm belief in the justice of our struggle because we were treacherously plotted against and attacked by a combination of aggressor nations, but you are also an example to your fellow Americans in your supreme faith in victory."

Some Illusions

The soldiers and sailors were told their fellow Americans may have some illusion regarding the cost of victory, and the Archbishop continued:

"But it is not illusion to you. You know full well and full bitterly the cost. For part of the price of this precious victory already has been paid. It is true that all Americans both individually and collectively must bear this cost. But yours is the greater and harder portion, though those you love and those who love you bear with you something of the pain, the honor and the glory."

Victory must come before the fruits of victory, Archbishop Spellman declared, and an attempt to "force the ripening of the fruits or to snatch them prematurely may imperil or retard victory itself."

Americans, he reminded, are diverse in many ways and divided in many matters, and added, "but I believe that never before in our history have we Americans been more fervently united not only in love of our country but also in appreciation of it, in our faith in her destiny and in our determination to do our utmost in her service."

"We Americans ardently desire to retain our freedom, our own form of government, our right to live, to worship, to work, to [illegible], to trade, to express ourselves, to defend ourselves, to live at peace with God and with our neighbors," Archbishop Spellman said. He asserted imperialism never has been and is not now an American war or peace aim.

Accord With Church Teachings

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"The way back to peace with justice after victory," said Archbishop Spellman, "[illegible] the moral order. Personal righteousness, domestic integrity, social justice, civic virtue and national and international law and order."

Elmira Weddings

Lotomaike - Cavaliere[?]

Miss Theresa Cavaliere[?], [illegible] Rowan St., became the bride of Ivan[?] Lotomaike, son of Mrs. [illegible] Lotomaike, 971 Lincoln St., on Tuesday, Mar. [illegible], 1943, at [illegible] at St. Anthony's Church, in a ceremony performed by the Rev. Albert Simonetti. Mrs. Peter [illegible] played the wedding music. John Cavaliere gave his sister in marriage.

Maid of honor for the bride was her niece, Miss Lucy [illegible], 317 W. Washington Ave. William Lotomaike, 971 Lincoln St., was his brother's best man.

A wedding breakfast for [illegible] was given at the [illegible], followed by a reception at the bride's home. The couple left on a trip to Buffalo, and on their return will live at 971 Lincoln St.

The bride attended St. Anthony's School and the Academy. She was employed at [illegible] Bakery. Mr. Lotomaike went to St. [illegible] School and the Academy. He is employed at the [illegible] plant.

Children [illegible] Binding [illegible] for Tobacco[?]

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