

Principles For Postwar Plan Given Verein Units

The Declaration on Peace and Reconstruction adopted by the national conventions of the Catholic Central Verein of America and the National Catholic Women's Union at Springfield last August was analyzed and discussed at a joint meeting of the Rochester Branches of these two organizations last Sunday afternoon in St. Joseph's Hall.

Philip H. Donnelly, who is a member of the Committee on Social Action of the men's society, told of the steps taken in the formulation of the Declaration. He stated that it is in reality a synopsis of the book recently published entitled Principles for Peace, edited for the Bishops' Committee on the Pope's Peace Points. It is not a post-war program, but it is a selection of principles that must govern the post-war program if it is to bring about a just and lasting peace, he continued.

FIVE PARTS OUTLINED

The Declaration is divided into five parts, as follows: 1.—The Dignity of the Human Person. 2.—The Supremacy of Law (God's law). 3.—The Law of Nations. 4.—The Will to Peace. 5.—Reconstruction of the Social Order.

"This declaration," said the speaker, "was gone over by two of the members of the Bishops' Committee on Peace, namely Archbishop Stritch, its Chairman, and Bishop Muench of Fargo, North Dakota, both of whom were at Springfield, and both of whom spoke on the Declaration at the public mass meeting. It is considered the most important document ever issued by the two organizations.

"The Declaration follows a logical course. It stresses the dignity of man and the fact that man is endowed with an immortal soul. This fact, the Declaration maintains, is fundamental, and any attempt at bringing about a real peace without giving that fact its proper consideration will prove fatal.

"The Declaration emphasizes the importance of God's law and the chaotic conditions that prevail because men have trusted to themselves and thought that they could succeed with man-made law made without any reference to God or His law. The Declaration points out that this same error was followed in the case of the Law of Nations. Getting away from the ideas of the days when Christianity ruled and nations were governed

by the principles of the Natural Law, modern nations and their advisers have proved the folly of men trying to plan without the help of God.

MUST COME FIRST

"The Will to Peace indicates that there can be no military disarmament without there being first a spiritual disarmament. This spiritual disarmament consists in getting out of our hearts all hatred and putting away from us the spreading of falsehood about other nations and other peoples. The doctrine of love must replace the doctrine of hate, and the doctrine of truth, however unpleasant it may at times be, must replace the doctrine of falsehood.

"The last part of the Declaration points out that the peace that will be secured will not be lasting, unless there is a reconstruction of the social order according to principles of Christ and as laid down in the various social Encyclicals of the Popes from Pope Leo XIII. to Pope Pius XII."

Laura Schilling, president of the National Catholic Women's Union, New York State Branch; Joseph T. Otto, Rudolph Schweszer and William Wittman, the newly elected President of the men's branch, discussed the Declaration during the question period.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected by the men's branch: Very Rev. Stephen W. Aulbach, C.S.S.R., spiritual adviser; William Wittman, president; Rudolph Schweszer, first vice-president; August M. Maier, second vice-president; Charles H. Munn, recording secretary; George Kaseham, secretary-treasurer; Raymond Herzib, guard; Executive Committee, Philip H. Donnelly, Joseph H. Geivats, William Roeger, Harry de Cocq and Martin Spindler.

Knew His People

At one time Confucius, the Teacher, was criticized because he had mistakenly appraised the minister of the province Su too highly. He replied: "I may be considered unfortunate, for if I have committed any errors, the people will surely find them out."

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Norman A. O'Brien

Musa Plans To Honor Norman A. O'Brien

In recognition of two terms as grand commander of Musa Caravan, Order of the Alhambra, the members are planning to honor Norman A. O'Brien at a dinner on Tuesday, Mar. 5.

Plans for the dinner will be made at the regular Caravan meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 29. The February meeting coming on the day it does will have a "leap-year program." Grand Commander Geo. A. Conway announces, Elmer J. Bloomer, master of the oasis, will have charge of the program.

The testimonial dinner and the meeting will both be held at Hotel Sagamore and the dinner will be in charge of General Chairman Frank M. Beaucatre, past grand commander.

The dinner honoring Past Grand Commander O'Brien, former State Senator, will be open to his friends in other circles. He is widely known in political, labor and fraternal organizations. A past president of the Rochester Diocesan Holy Name Union, he is also past Faithful Navigator of Rochester Fourth Degree Assembly, Knights of Columbus.

Reservations for the dinner are being made with Chalmers Beaucatre, Stone 5634, and Vice Grand Commander Lewis J. Zwierlein, Stone 567.

Discussion Meetings Set For PTA Members

The Parent-Teacher Association of Sacred Heart Church will meet every Friday evening to discuss the respective chapters of the Discussion Club pamphlet on the Mass for this Lent. The meetings will be held in the Girl Scout room with the Rev. Edward McAniff presiding.

The regular monthly meeting of the Association will take place on Monday, Mar. 6, at 8:15 P. M. in the school hall. A panel discussion will be conducted by a group of well-known civic, social and educational leaders. The subject to be discussed is "The Re-creation of the Home."

First Public Concert Set For Nazareth Glee Club

Nazareth Academy Glee Club will give its first public concert under the direction of Mr. Austin Truitt of Nazareth College Faculty, at 8:30 p. m. on Friday evening, March 3, in the auditorium of Nazareth Academy.

The following numbers will be rendered:

- All Wise Nature.....Mozart
- Mysterious World.....Carpenter
- Nazareth Academy Glee Club
- Cloud Shadows.....Rogers
- Mary Duet
- Accompanist, Katherine Fleck
- Floeken's Song.....Goddard
- Diana Cutall
- Accompanist, Rosemary Ryan
- Lullaby.....Cain
- Baxter.....Spence
- Nazareth Academy Glee Club
- Passing By.....Purcell
- Marie Camello
- Accompanist, Irene Hoffman
- To a Hidden Violet.....J. Brown
- Mary Brichler
- Accompanist, Rosemary Ryan
- The Cobbler.....Irish Folk Tune
- The Apple Tree.....Braine
- Nazareth Academy Glee Club
- Madonna's Lullaby.....Head
- Irene Hoffman
- Accompanist, Rosemary Ryan
- The Piper.....Curran
- Dolores McLaughlin
- Accompanist, Irene Hoffman
- Sheep May Safely Graze and Pasture.....J. S. Bach
- Call of America.....Matthews
- Nazareth Academy Glee Club

K. of C. List First Degree

Approximately 40 more Catholic laymen will be admitted into Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus in a First Degree initiation ceremony, Sunday afternoon, Feb. 27 in Columbus Civic Centre at 3 P. M.

This will be the second section of the "Sergeant Joseph F. Streb Class," members of which are being admitted into the Council through the membership committee's efforts. Deputy Grand Knight Francis T. Toomey heads the membership campaign.

All knights who have taken the first degree are eligible to witness the degree work, Sunday.

Guild To Meet

The Little Flower Guild will hold their regular meeting in St. Boniface meeting room. The Rev. Benedict Ehrmann will review "The Men of Maryknoll." Mrs. Leonard Haight has extended an invitation to all friends of the Guild.

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