

Catholic Vets Pledge Loyalty to Truman

New York — (NC) — Edward T. McCaffrey, National Commander of the Catholic War Veterans, has pledged the loyalty of the membership to President Harry S. Truman. In a letter to President Truman, Mr. McCaffrey said:

"We pause in the shock of our grief at the announcement of the passing of the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, to salute you as our new Commander in Chief. The officers and members of the Catholic War Veterans pledge to you the same degree of loyalty and respect we held for the late President. We shall remember you in our prayers."

St. Hermenegild

martyr, was the son of Leo, King of the Visigoths. He was imprisoned by his father because he refused to accept Arianism and won his martyr's crown in prison.

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The NCCS Canteen Review

By The Observer

Sunday, Apr. 22.—Ninety-three boys appeared for the delicious breakfast sponsored by the Sophomore Class of Nazareth College. The girls, attractive, capable and willing, worked hard and did a beautiful job. We thank you, gals!

Also hardworking were the members of the "chef's corps" on duty K. of C. members Gene McFarland, Frank Meyerling and Howard Korta. You know, there are difficulties in supplying food for the Canteen that do not appear on the surface; one of the biggest is the uncertainty of the number to be served. Last week, Apr. 15, for example, we had 170 guests, and this week 93. Of course the only solution is to be prepared to 170, just in case!

"Grand Quartet"

The entertainment was our biggest feature this week. Rocco Natale (who knows everybody and more important, knows how to make them donate their time for the Canteen—), arranged for singers and tap-dancers this week. The singers were the four Cabiners, Negro singers from the play and picture, "Cabin in the Sky."

All together, this grand quartet sang ten numbers in their own very entertaining style, and how our boys loved them! The applause after each number was loud and sustained, so that the encores piled up. One of the best received was "Ol' Man Mose is Dead", with variations; in one verse the singer lamented that "po' ol' Mose" had gone where all cigarettes had gone, which evoked a howl of laughter from the audience. It also brought out four packs of cigarettes for the singers, from our ever-so-small-and-carefully-boarded supply. Really, the Cabiners were so good, so pleasant and so generous with their encores, that we'd have given them a steak, had we had one!

A pair of talented young tap-dancers also lived up to the program. They were Pat and Bob Burns, and a peppy brother-and-sister team we never saw. Bob is now in the Navy himself, having just finished his recruit training at Sampson. We hope they come back to dance for us soon again.

It has been pointed out that in last week's column, we didn't finish the story! We were telling about two members of the Merchant Marine, and their stories, remember? Lack of space prevented our giving the tale of the second boy, — there isn't much space this week, either, but just to satisfy the curious, here is a brief resume: this second boy was tall, blond and

have to put into port every time they got low on fuel. Three times in a row, he declared grimly, his oil freighters were torpedoed. He was in the pilot house, and thus escaped injury each time, since the crew was able to control the fires long enough to get away. He had eventually become a patient suffering from "nerves", and it was while hospitalized that he became friendly with his companion of the Canteen, whose story we told last week. Both boys are about to start boot training at Sampson.

This Sunday we had a chat with another veteran, a Navy LST man now at the Sampson hospital, who has become a regular guest. He wears, and for mighty good reasons, the Asiatic and American theater ribbons, the Philippine ribbon besprinkled with landing stars, and the Purple Heart. Trained for "amphibious combat", he was a gunner with the job of protecting landing troops. He didn't talk much about the battles, or Leyte, his wounds and subsequent trip home as a patient on an aircraft carrier. Rather, he told about his bi-weekly trips to his home in Cincinnati, and the number of packs of cigarettes he had been able to collect to take home to his father!

Nazareth Grads To Sponsor NCCS Canteen Sunday

The Alumni Association of Nazareth Academy with Miss Louise Munsel, chairman, will sponsor the NCCS Canteen in the Knights of Columbus Clubrooms, Columbus Civic Centre, Sunday morning, April 23.

"Cooks" for that morning will be John McMahon, Ernest J. O'Neill and Don Radigan of the N. of C.

The Canteen is operated principally for those servicemen staying at the USO extension dormitory in the Center over Saturday night. Breakfast is served to each member of the armed forces and entertainment is provided with assistance of the Knights of Columbus.

May 6, Memory Society of Blessed Sacrament Church.
May 12, Memory Society of Corpus Christi Church.
May 20, Children of Mary, Sacred Heart Academy.

Organizations desiring to sponsor a Sunday breakfast for servicemen, should call Miss Dorothy Craig, Geneva 7008.

MRS. VANDERBILT CALLS FOR HELP!

Mrs. Vanderbilt is in

A terrible dilemma—
Her better half suspicious,
And her husband dull (that's a fact),
She's a wife and she's a wife,
The garden's gone to seed,
She's deep (that precious Annie)
Doesn't live here any more!



The agencies have none to send,
And since she might engage,
No matter what the hours,
The duties or the wages—
"One perfect servant's all I ask!"
Wails pitiful Mrs. V.
Her husband is a chimney
And I've tried a dozen to see!

But Mrs. Vanderbilt forgets
Her servant's old and young—
She's a wife and she's a wife,
The garden's gone to seed—
And I've tried a dozen to see!

To her last dilemma,
The fact for ponder every day
And avoid dream of quitting!

Oh, ladies, stop! Oh, ladies, please,
Don't rush to lure away

This person of Mrs. V.'s
For better hours or pay—
It isn't so easy and yet it can—
But only on leave, you see—
This lady's trouble, is known
To all who are married!

So, ladies, could just forget
The duties and the wages—
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Thanksgiving Mass Offered at Strasbourg

Strasbourg — (NC) — General Jean de Latre de Tassigny, commander of the First French Army, attended a solemn Mass of Thanksgiving, given in the presence of the First Army Chaplain, General Louis de Lamoignon, at Strasbourg.

The occasion for the Mass was the granting of the Rhine by General de Lamoignon's troops last Sunday, which marked "Strasbourg's final liberation." Until the city of Kehl on the west bank of the Rhine, which the First Army had liberated, had been under German occupation for four years.

General de Lamoignon, who was recently promoted by the German High Command, returned to his duties last December.

He was accompanied by his family and a large number of his staff.

The Mass was celebrated by the German High Command, which was accompanied by a large number of his staff.

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