

Liederkrantz Chorus
In Immaculate Revue

Featured in the Military Service Centre benefit entertainment being staged at the Immaculate auditorium Sunday, May 20 at 8 p. m. is the Liederkrantz Chorus, with Ignor Art Stef-

an and pianist Syl Novell of radio station WHAM. Comedy and novelty acts will be presented by Jeanne Devise's "Stage Door Carden" Revue, which has been entertaining service men for the past two years. Joe Nolan's band will provide music for the program.

On Guard!

By
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Europe and not to conquer and rule it.

But there are rumors, authoritative rumors, trickling through the barrier of Red censorship. In Warsaw and Belgrade and Vienna and elsewhere in Red Europe brave patriots are disappearing. The Russian secret police has taken over where the Nazi Gestapo left off.

That part of Europe which Russia liberated from Hitler is being quickly and systematically sovietized. Professional Russian politicians are assuming control and setting up their organizations without regard for the democratic wishes of the peoples concerned. We Americans helped liberate these lands, but all we know now is the few censored dispatches that appear in the Moscow press.

The treacherous betrayal of the sixteen leaders of the Polish Underground makes us wonder what other forms of ruthlessness is being concealed by the Soviet news blackout.

Last March the sixteen Polish patriots were invited by the Soviets to come out of the underground for a discussion of the

political situation in Poland. Their personal safety guaranteed by a Soviet general the Polish leaders accepted the Russian invitation. Escorted by Soviet secret police, the Poles went off in twenty motor cars (American made) and "disappeared." After many weeks of silence Soviet Foreign Commissar Molotov blandly admitted that the Poles had been arrested. The Poles were betrayed and in the best technique of the American gangster they were "taken for a ride." After all these weeks there still is "no news" on the fate of the Polish patriots. In this case "no news" is not "good news."

Despite final victory in Europe Allied war correspondents have been barred from entering Soviet occupied Berlin.

Russian correspondents have been circulating for months in German territory under Anglo-American control, but Allied newsmen are refused entry into German areas under Red control. The few Allied correspondents who have made unauthorized trips into the Soviet lines have been suspended and ordered deported by the Allied Supreme Headquarters in Paris.

"Haven't you been suspended yet?" is now the current joke among Allied war correspondents.

But the Anglo-American newsmen are angry too. This week at a meeting in Paris they lost their patience. They want to know why they can not go to Vienna or Prague or Budapest. Why they are not allowed entrance into Russian-occupied Germany. The Allied newsmen bluntly demanded an end to the "kon-tov-ka" of Russia.

Our chastened newsmen are receiving an education in the Soviet way of life. If our war correspondents had only read the Soviet Constitution they would not be surprised at what is happening now in Soviet-occupied Europe.

Freedom of the press, freedom of speech, political freedom, and religious freedom are not supported in the Soviet Constitution which American left-wingers describe to us as a democratic document.

The despotic treatment now being meted out to our freedom-loving Allied newsmen and the peoples of Soviet-occupied Europe is what Mr. Stalin calls "Russian Democracy." American newsmen are having their first taste of life in a Communist Paradise and evidently they don't like it.

Now ironic! Even though Hitler is dead, agents of the free American press can not yet write a story from the German capital.

VICTORY RECALLS PRAYERS TO MARY

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Two great events occurred on this day in 1917: the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima, Queen of the Rosary, and the episcopal consecration of His Holiness Pope Pius XII.

In calling for prayers for peace throughout these years of warfare, the Holy Father has always laid special stress on intercession of the Blessed Virgin, to whom he has ever had special devotion, and on the efficacy of the prayers of children, for whom the Mother of God has revealed her special love by mak-

ing them the witnesses almost exclusively of her apparitions on earth.

The witnesses at Fatima were 10-year-old Lucia Santos and her two cousins, 8-year-old Francisco and 7-year-old Jacinta Marto. The Marto children died — Francisco on April 5, 1919, and Jacinta on February 20, 1920 — but Lucia still lives. In 1926 she entered the novitiate of the Sisters of St. Dorothy at Tuy, just north of the Spanish border, and made her final profession in October, 1934, as Sister Maria Lucia of the Seven Dolours.

There were six appearances of the Blessed Virgin beginning in May and ending in October, 1917.

The year 1917 is an important one in the chronology of World War I. The United States declared war on April 6, and the first American troops arrived in Paris on June 14, the day of the second apparition at Fatima.

But Portugal was a neutral country, and it is most unlikely that the three little peasants of Fatima were kept informed on world events. The messages at Fatima dealt with some subjects beyond the comprehension of Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta.

With the passage of the years, the Fatima messages regarding Russia and the outbreak of a more extensive and devastating world war acquired additional significance.

During the first and second apparitions, Our Lady of Fatima stressed the importance of recitation of the Rosary. On July 13, the day of the third apparition, regular recitation of the Rosary was recommended as a most effective means for bringing the war to an end. Then came the prophecy which has been cited so frequently since the present war began:

"If what I tell you is done, many souls will be saved and there will be peace. The war will end; but if they do not come to offend the Lord, not much time will elapse before — and probably during the next Pontificate — another and more terrible war will commence. . . . To prevent this I ask the consecration of the world to my Immaculate Heart, and Communion in reparation on the first Saturday of each month. If my requests are heard, Russia will be converted and there will be peace. Otherwise great calamities will be spread through the world, giving rise to wars and persecutions. . . . But in the end, my Immaculate Heart will triumph and an era of peace will be conceded to humanity."

Jesuits Plan Relief Fund To Aid Society in Europe

St. Mary's, Kane. — (NC) — American Jesuits have been called upon to raise one million dollars for the Jesuit Relief and Rehabilitation Fund organized to help the more than ten thousand Jesuits affected by the war in Europe.

Incomplete figures on the condition of Jesuit churches, colleges, seminaries, and other installations in Europe list 33 buildings as completely destroyed, 64 severely damaged or confiscated, and over 50 partly damaged. The loss in Jesuit lives has not yet been determined.



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O Jesus, Adorable Head of the Church, Who didst not disdain to associate Thine Own sufferings with those of Thy Faithful, accept the offering of mine. Unite them to Thy Passion and Death, so that crucified with Thee I may be made an instrument of salvation. In a special manner I offer Thee the pain I suffer this day for the conversion of Thy Gospel of the unbelieving people of the world, for the return to the true Church of those children separated from her through heresy and schism, and for the visible Head of the Catholic Church, Our Holy Father. Give him light and strength to lead all mankind to eternal salvation. Grant me, O Lord, the courage to carry my cross today and always with calm resignation so that one day I may be glorified with Thee in Thy eternal Kingdom. Amen.

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