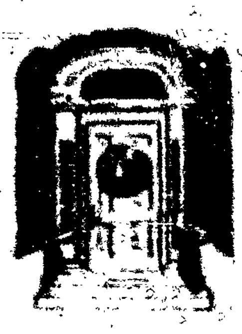

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Catholic Women's National Group Program is Stressed

Geneva—Work of the National Council of Catholic Women was explained at the quarterly meeting of Geneva Unit on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the library of St. Francis de Sales School on Exchange street. There were forty members present. Presiding was Mrs. Thomas J. Bolger, newly-elected president.

Miss Helen Van Nortwick, of the staff of Junior School gave the explanation. She pointed out that the National Council is a Federation of Catholic Women's organizations.

"It is not merely approved by the Bishops; it is an integral part of the Bishop's own organization, the National Catholic Welfare Conference," she said.

Through a national committee system, the findings of the National Catholic Welfare Conference may be brought to the laity in local groups and may become effective in national life.

"It is important that the Catholic Women's groups affiliate with the National Council of Catholic Women that united they may help in the reconstruction of a Christian society through a campaign of prayer, study and apostolic work to bring Christ back into the home, the office, the factory, the community and the nation," she emphasized.

During the business meeting, the members of the Council decided to take over the project of assisting in building up the school libraries at St. Francis de Sales and St. Stephen's parochial schools.

Mrs. George Hall was named chairman of the committee for this work.

A central feature of the library decorations for the meeting was the beautiful statue of the Blessed Virgin which was banked with large bouquets of chrysanthemums for the occasion.

Five Large Boxes Sent from Geneva In Clothing Drive

Geneva — Geneva unit of the National Council of Catholic Women and its local affiliations have packed and sent out five large boxes of clothing for infants and children to the War Relief Services of New York City in connection with the clothing campaign which is now being conducted.

Included in the Geneva unit are: Rosary Society of St. Stephen's Church; Rosary Society of St. Francis de Sales, St. Stephen's Parent-Teacher Association; Court Geneva and Court Canandaigua of the Catholic Daughters of America.

Mrs. Joseph W. McElroy is general chairman of the clothing campaign which is still under way.

Army Chaplain Corps Had 387 Casualties

Washington, D. C. — (RNS) — The Army Chaplain Corps suffered 387 casualties during the war, 149 of them fatal, according to a report released by the Office of the Chief of Chaplains.

The report also announced that up to Dec. 1, 1,281 chaplains had been awarded a total of 1,685 decorations, including 28 from foreign powers.

There are now 6,845 chaplains on duty. A total of 1,292 chaplains have returned to civilian life from VJ-Day up to December of this year.

Has Ready-made Church

London — (NC) — Britain's first prefabricated church, the Church of the Holy Apostles, Claverton-street, near Westminster Cathedral, has been opened here by Archbishop Bernard Griffin of Westminster. It stands on the site of the former Church, destroyed in April 1941 during a German air raid. Five prefabricated wooden churches gifts of various British religious organizations, have reached the Netherlands. Each of them seats between 200 and 300.

De Sales High School Notes

Geneva — Members of the Sodality of Our Lady, of De Sales High School met on Tuesday evening, at the school for an interesting program which followed a short business meeting. John Lawler, prefect, presided.

A feature of the program was a beautiful tableau depicting the Nativity.

Participating in the tableau were: "Our Lady," Mary Deal; "St. Joseph," Martin Conroy; "Angels," Betty Jennings, Anne Holleran, Ellen Claffey, Colleen Linehan, Helen Walsh; "Shepherds," Alfred Heffernan, John Lathrop and Robert Hendrickson.

The scene was presented with a background of traditional hymns beautifully rendered by the following members of the newly formed Glee Club: Adelaide Onorato, Mary Margaret O'Malley, Barbara Palmer, Mary Jane Passalacqua, Joan Monaco, Mary Liberatore, Gertrude Kelleher, Jean Lynch, Jean Brewer, Rosemary Sullivan, Verda Ruth Kloser, Theresa Damick, Dorothy Mazzochi, Jane Giddings, Ila Ann Kloser. William Comisky was organist.

The meeting was closed with the entire group singing the "Adeste Fideles."

Curfew In Germany

Inside Germany — (CIP) — At Aschaffenburg, Bavaria, in the American-occupied zone of Germany, an 8:30 p. m. curfew has been ordered for children and young people under 18.

St. Bernard's Alumnus Dies in Louisville

Louisville — Tribute of the Archdiocese of Louisville to the 42 years of zealous, priestly and fruitful service of the Rev. John F. Knue, alumnus of St. Bernard's Seminary was paid at funeral services in Cathedral of the Assumption, Dec. 13.

Father Knue, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, St. Matthews, Ky., died Sunday, Dec. 9, 1945.

The Most Rev. John A. Floersh, Archbishop of Louisville officiated at the Pontifical Mass of Requiem.

The Rev. Joseph A. Vroman preached the eulogy. Final absolution at the grave was imparted by the Rev. Dr. Frederick J. Zwierlein of Rochester, a classmate of Father Knue.

Born in Yorkville, Ind., Oct. 12, 1878, Father Knue was ordained in Cincinnati, June 21, 1905. Coordinated to the Diocese of Louisville at the request of Bishop McCloskey, his first assignment was Danville where he had five churches under his charge. He established a new parish at McQuady going there in 1909. Sent to St. Columba Parish in Louisville in 1912 he later had charge of S. Elizabeth parish where school attendance increased from 380 to 1100 pupils.

He was to have become pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's church when stricken.

Father Knue is survived by three brothers, Louis H. Knue, Joseph W. Knue and Dr. George F. Knue, all of Indianapolis, and a sister, Mrs. Thomas Hughes, Washington, D. C.

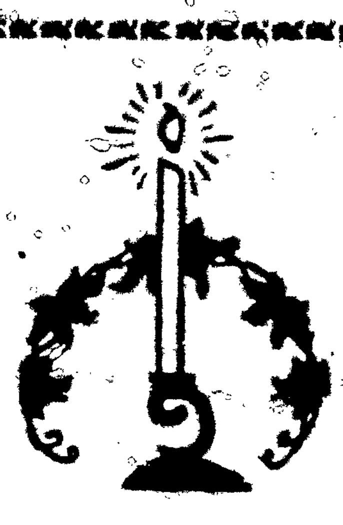
Women of Americas Plan Catholic Action

Mexico City — (NC) — Greater intensification of the Catholic faith, restoration of the Christian family, and fostering of social welfare were among matters stressed in resolutions adopted at a meeting of women leaders in Catholic Action from North and South America, held here in conjunction with the Guadalupan celebrations.

Representatives of Catholic Action organizations of countries in North and South America attended, including Miss Anne Sarachon Hooley, representing the International Union of Catholic Women's Leagues, and Mrs. Thomas G. Garrison, president of the National Council of Catholic Women.

Asks Proxy Voting for Nuns

London — (NC) — The privilege of voting by proxy in British Parliamentary elections should be extended to nuns who have taken vows of seclusion, Lt. Col. [illegible]



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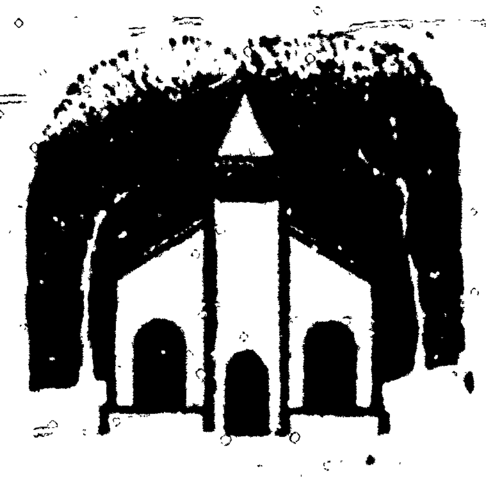

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