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Youth groups and units of the National Council of Catholic Women, members of which will attend the Family Life Conference in February at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C.

Following the three-day sessions Feb. 5, 6 and 7, these groups will hold meetings of their own on February 8.

As in previous years, topics relating to the family will be discussed at the Conference. Of particular interest to members of the N.C.C.W. will be the series of talks on phases of child care and training.

Among the speakers on the program are: Mrs. Francis J. Rooney, Chicago; Very Rev. Dr. Verner Moore, O.S.B., Child Center University; Dr. Robert R. Kuczynski, London; Phillip Murray, President, C.I.O.; Sister Mary, I. H. M., Marygrove College, Detroit; Dr. Regina Herzfeld, Catholic University; Rev. Dr. Fernand Putter, O.F.M., Montreal; Rev. Dr. Edgar Schmeddelje, O.S.B., Family Life Bureau, N.C.C.W.

Meetings are open to all and

every interested person is invited to attend.

Mrs. Joseph W. McElroy, chairman of the War Relief Committee, Geneva Deanery Council, N.C.C.W., reports another shipment on January 11 to War Relief Services, New York City, of over 250 articles ranging from a man's three piece suit to infants bottles.

This week brings a renewal of affiliation from the Rosary Guild of Immaculate Conception Church, Rochester.

The War Stamp Campaign for the N.C.S.S.S. will be completed and its books closed on March 25, 1946. Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It was decided at the recent meeting of the Board of Directors, N.C.C.W. The Campaign Committee reported total gross receipts of \$153,372.50.

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Naming of Czech Prelates Denied

Prague (NC) Reports distributed abroad that a new Archbishop of Prague has been named and several other new members of the Czechoslovak hierarchy had been appointed, a so-called "premiere" appointment, as it were, by the government. The appointment of Otokar Švec, Canon of Prague Cathedral, who at the same time pointed to the lack of regular diplomatic relations between the Holy See and the Czechoslovak government as an obstacle to the nomination of Bishops to fill existing vacancies.

(One report by a news agency said "Dr. Miroslav Picha, 79-year old Bishop of Kocubovitz, who is Czechoslovakia's oldest prelate, has been named Archbishop of Prague," and later referred to his "appointment" and his "nomination.")

The speculations arose in connection with a meeting of Czechoslovak Bishops held at Olomouc, Moravia, which was presided over by Bishop Maurice Picha of Hradec Kralove (Koenigsgratz). Other Prelates mentioned in the speculations were Msgr. Joseph Beran, rector of the seminary in Prague, who was said to have been named for the See of Hradec Kralove; Auxiliary Bishop Anthony Eltschinger of Prague, who was rumored as new Bishop of Ceske Budejovice; and the Very Rev. Bohuslav Jarolimek, Abbot of the Przemoststranians Monastery in Prague, who was declared to have been selected as new Bishop of Brno.

The Holy See is represented at Prague by a chargé d'affaires, Msgr. Rafael Fornl. The former Nuncio to Czechoslovakia, Archbishop Xavier Ritter, is now in Italy. The Prague government, however, has no official representative at the Vatican.

Lunn Asks British Catholics To Remember Debt to U. S.

London (NC) — Catholics on both sides of the Atlantic must work together if Christendom is to be saved. Arnold Lunn, British Catholic writer and lecturer, told his countrymen in a letter to the London Tablet.

He remarked that he is "a little tired" of Britons who loudly remind Americans of what they owe to Britain for the heroic stand against the Nazis in 1940 but who forget what they owe to America.

Praising the Tablet's "same" comments on the American loan, he said that "even if the terms were as severe as they are plain,

ed, we should do, we nothing better after our treatment of the Poles and Yugoslavs."

Mr. Lunn, describing what he termed American admiration for the English people, said he was received "with real, live kindness" by United States Catholics, whose contributions financed his 1940 lecture tour of America, in which he pleaded for help to his country.

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Final Tribute Paid To Louis A. Whalen

Funeral services for Louis A. Whalen, father of a priest and two nuns, were conducted from the Flannery Funeral Home, 17 Phelps Ave., and Blessed Sacrament Church on Tuesday, Jan. 15.

Mr. Whalen, retired tobacco manufacturer died Friday Jan. 12, 1946 at the age of 73.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was offered by the Rev. Thomas F. Connors, assisted by the Rev. Bernard Geseff, Deacon, and the Rev. Francis W. Luddy, subdeacon. A large delegation of priests, friends of Chaplain John S. Whalen, a son of the deceased, attended.

Mr. Whalen retired in 1930 from active participation in R. Whalen & Co. when that firm was in business. He was associated with a sister the late Miss Elizabeth Whalen in the firm which was acquired by the Penn Tobacco Company of Wilkes Barre, Pa. The firm was named for their father Richard Whalen who became associated with it in 1863. One of the sons of Richard Whalen was the late John Sibley Whalen, secretary of state and another James L. Whalen, first grand knight of Rochester Council, Knights of Columbus.

Louis Whalen was a member of the Holy Name Society of Blessed Sacrament Church, of the Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus and the Rochester Club. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary G. Whalen; six daughters, Helen Louise Whalen, Mrs. Ronald B. McAdams; Sister Mary Louis, S.S., of the Notre Dame Order, Brooklyn; Mary Elizabeth Whalen; Mother Ruth Whalen, a religious of the Sacred Heart, Torredale, Pa. and Mrs. Robert C. Odenbach; three sons, Louis A. Whalen, Jr.; the Rev. John S. Whalen, priest of Rochester diocese and now Chaplain serving on Salpaia and Richard L. Whalen, 154