

CDA Court's Work For Relief Cited

Geneva — Court Geneva of the Catholic Daughters of America held their regular meeting on Wednesday evening at the Woman's Building, following the Lenten church services.

Plans were made for a card party to be held on April 24. Mrs. A. J. Cowan is chairman with Mrs. Robert Ransford, co-chairman. They will appoint an assisting committee later.

Members and friends were invited to meet at the Woman's Building every Wednesday evening after Lenten services to fold bandages for the Geneva General Hospital.

The usual contribution was made to the annual membership drive of the Geneva Chapter, American Red Cross.

A letter was read from Miss Ruth Craver, executive secretary of the National Council of Catholic Women expressing gratitude for the participation of the local organization in the recent clothing drive for needy people of Europe.

Lenten Thought

The Road to a New Easter

(Excerpt from Lenten Sermon, "The Road," by the Rev. Donald M. Cleary, Catholic Chaplain, Cornell University delivered at Old St. Mary's Church, Rochester.)

Two thousand years ago Jesus Christ was crucified by a fanatical mob, led by a group of greedy men. These men cannot be blamed entirely because they acted for the most part out of ignorance. Christ Himself said, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." Four hundred years ago, a new crucifixion of Christ began, a slow, tortuous thing which has reached its climax in our day. It has not been a scourging or a nailing of the flesh of Christ but what is worse, a rending, twisting of the soul of Christ through the crucifixion of His teachings, His principles and His ideals.

Today the world stands at a new Good Friday. Once again it is four o'clock on Good Friday afternoon and a bewildered world is asking, "What have we done and where will we go?" If the world is to see a new Easter, there must be a great pilgrimage down the road which leads back to Christ and the teachings of Christ.

For centuries now men and nations, governments and people have been travelling a myriad, self-made detours, detours which, born of greed, avarice and lust, have led them constantly away from Christ, detours which have plunged nations into war and which will lead nations ultimately to self-destruction. It is the only road which will bring the world to a new Easter, the Easter which will see the Resurrection, not of the body of Christ, but the soul of Christ.

Geneva Sailor Gets Honorable Discharge

Geneva — Robert F. Walsh, Ptm. 2/c, 114 Oak street, has been honorably discharged from the United States Navy at the Navy Personnel Separation Center in Shoemaker, Cal.

T/S Joseph S. Hickey and S/Sgt. Robert Welch are scheduled to arrive on the Erie Fyie which is due in New York today.

Arrivals

Geneva — A daughter was born Wednesday, March 8, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Corcoran of 182 Lewis street, at the Geneva General Hospital. Mrs. Corcoran was formerly Miss Marion McGuigan.

Talks on WHAM



Sister M. Benedict Young, M.D., will speak on "Medical Missions in India" in the Vacation Month series on WHAM Sunday, March 27 at 12:15 p. m. Her talk will again be directed to the schools on Monday, March 28 at 1:15 p. m.

Rites in Providence For Dr. K. H. Hardy

Auburn — Dr. Kathryn Hennessey Hardy, wife of Doctor Arthur Hardy of Providence, Rhode Island, and daughter of Mrs. George F. Hennessey, 31 Hamilton Avenue, and the late George F. Hennessey, died at her home in Providence Thursday afternoon, March 7, 1946, at the age of 35 years.

Doctor Hardy who has been ill for several months was graduated from Auburn High School. She took her pre-medical training at Syracuse University and received her degree from Tufts Medical College, Boston. She served her internship at Syracuse Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Hardy has made her home in Providence for the past ten years and was affiliated with the Medical Society of that city and also with Theta Phi Alpha Sorority of Syracuse University.

Besides her husband and her mother, she is survived by two daughters, Phyllis and Susan Hardy of Providence; four sisters, Dr. Frances Bush of Scarborough, Mrs. Lawrence Toney of Pelham, N. Y., Mrs. LeRoy Curry of Syracuse, and Mrs. Raymond Robinson of Auburn. Funeral services and burial were in Providence.

Chaplaincy Service For French Seamen

Paris — (RNS) — A naval chaplaincy service has been organized by the French hierarchy to provide spiritual ministry in all maritime centers.

The Church has already established an extensive service for sailors in Marseilles which includes visits by priests to ships in port, a club for officers and their wives, weekly discussion meetings, and special Masses for sailors and fishermen.

Chaplains have been assigned to each port by Cardinal Archbishop Clement Emile Reques of Rennes, who was designated Chief Naval Chaplain. A training school has been established at Kinkieux for priests who wish to serve seamen.

Catholics On the Radio

Catholic radio programs broadcast in the Rochester Diocese areas are the following:

Sunday — WHEC — Catholic Corner, 10:30 a. m.

Sunday — WHAM — Rochester Catholic Hour, 12:15 p. m.

Sunday — WMBO — Father Justin's Rosary Hour, 5:00 p. m.

Thursday — WMBO — Faith in Our Time, 10:15 a. m.

Saturday — WSAV — Junior Catholics, 11:15 a. m.

Saturday — WHAM — Youth and Religion, 7:00 p. m.

Alumni Mass Sung At St. Aloysius

Auburn — Annual High Mass for living and deceased members of the St. Aloysius Alumni Association was offered Sunday morning, March 3, in St. Aloysius Church. Rev. Edward Shannon, a graduate of St. Aloysius School and at present assistant pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Rochester, was the celebrant.

Father Shannon was the last priest to be ordained from St. Aloysius Parish. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shannon of St. Aloysius Parish and has a brother, the Rev. Albert Shannon, also a graduate of the school and an assistant pastor of Old St. Mary's Church, Rochester.

Father Paul Hatch of Texas preached the sermon. He was the first priest to be ordained from St. Aloysius. He is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hatch of St. Aloysius. Father Hatch's sermon was entitled "The Beginning of Wisdom is Fear of the Lord."

Plans are now being formulated for a reunion of all St. Aloysius Alumni to take place in the summer. An Executive Committee has been chosen and will hold its first meeting on March 25 at Osborne Hotel.

Rev. John B. Crowley, pastor of St. Aloysius Church, succeeded the late Rev. John J. McGrath who founded the parish.

Papal Message Praised by CDA

New York — (NC) — Referring to it as "the Magna Charta for the women of the world" and the "go-ahead signal" to women to support the forming of a Christian society of nations, the directors of the Catholic Daughters of America at their annual meeting here paid tribute in speeches and resolutions to the Holy Father's October address to Catholic women.

The directors heard Bishop Vincent S. Waters of Raleigh, describe the South as a section of the nation which is still deeply religious and where religious intolerance is a "myth" rather than a reality.

Among the resolutions passed at the conference were recommendations that renewed efforts be made to restore the ideal of the Christian home, that the Wagner-Ebenzer-Taft Housing Bill be enacted; that the United States take the lead in barring the atomic bomb as an implement of war, and that rent and price controls be continued.

Belgian Birth Rate Drop Less in War II

Brussels — (CIP) — The decrease of the Belgian birth rate in the Second World War was much smaller than in 1914-18 according to the figures which have just become available. From an average of 128,000 in the pre-war years, the number of children born in Belgium decreased to 111,520 in 1940, 99,805 in 1941, 107,765 in 1942, 122,274 in 1943, and 126,062 in 1944. In the first World War, the number of children born in each year decreased from 156,389 in 1914 to 124,291 in 1915, 99,360 in 1916, 86,675 in 1917, and 85,056 in 1918.

The final figures for 1945 are not out yet; on the basis of such data as are already available, the number of births is likely to be about 128,000, as in pre-war years. The figure will undoubtedly be higher in 1946 because the number of new marriages in 1945 was about 50% higher than in the previous year.

'Hahmarica' Attack Stirs Geneva Knights to Defense

Geneva — A highly successful practical joke was played on 120 members and guests at the "Italian Night" dinner given by Geneva Council of the Knights of Columbus, on Monday evening, March 4, at the K. of L. Inn among Americans.

Present at the speakers table were District Deputy Edward Leonard of Seneca Falls, Grand Knight of the Geneva Council, George O'Donnell, chairman, Dominick Legrain and Arthur Cowan and John F. Gleason, ticket chairman for the event.

The spaghetti and meatball dinner which marked the Italian Night were served under supervision of Tony Cervere. George Handlan was in charge of the entertainment.

GI Lands Red Cross Job in Manila

Geneva — "The Red Cross is doing the best job I've ever seen in Manila. I hope that we get back there many times," wrote T/S James V. "Chip" Sparrow, 19, 238 Castle street in a letter to his parents.

The young Genevan has been in the Armed Forces for fourteen months, and in the South Pacific area for eight months.

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