

Christ Child Group Renames Miss Merrick

Washington — (NC) — Miss Mary V. Merrick, founder of the Christ Child Society, was re-elected national president at the society's first national convention since 1941. Delegates from 37 chapters and 34 cities attended the three-day sessions.

The convention opened with a Mass in St. Thomas Church officiated by the Rev. Bernard E. Hays, C.S.C., of Holy Cross College here. In her welcome address Miss Merrick stressed the aims of the Christ Child Society, organized as a volunteer agency in the service of sick and crippled children.

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'Acies' Ceremony Listed By Legion of Mary Sunday

Annual ceremony of the re-consecration to Mary, Immaculate Queen of the Legion will be held for members of the Legion of Mary Sunday, May 28 at 4 p. m. in St. Anne's church, at Brighton Pt. Rev. Albert J. Shannon will be guest speaker.

The name "Acies" a Latin word meaning "army set for battle" is applied to this ceremony in which all Legionnaires, as an army, assemble and profess allegiance to Mary Immaculate. The purpose is to send them forth renewed and strengthened to do their part for a return to religious and moral life and an earnest effort to lead a better life.

The success of this annual service, according to spokesmen, depends on the presence of each and every Active and Auxiliary member who wishes to show his sincere love of Mary and desire to share her leadership in the Legion Crusade for souls.

HONORS MEMORY OF 3 STUDENTS

This Statue of Saint Bonaventura, was recently erected and blessed on the campus of St. Bonaventura College in memory of three students who died in 1938. The dedication took place on Parents' Day with 1,000 persons attending.

The students memorialized by the statue are Clayton Douglas, class of 1940, Corning, N. Y., who with Charles Collins, 41, Norwich, N. Y., suffered fatal injuries in an automobile accident, and John Korzak, 43, Elmira, N. Y., who died of injuries in a football game.

Although the statue was ordered six years ago from Italy, it arrived only a few weeks ago. Made of Carrara marble and about seven feet high, it has been set on a pedestal in front of Deveraux Hall facing Highway 17.

Mothers' Group Lists Fr. Casey

Rev. Lawrence R. Casey will be guest speaker at the season's final meeting of the Mother's Club of Our Lady of Mercy High School.

After a short business meeting conducted by Mrs. J. Edward Hoy, election of officers will take place. Following the meeting, tea will be served by the mothers in honor of the Senior mothers. Mrs. Frances Kalb will be in charge of the tea table with Mrs. Bryan Ford as co-chairman.

Assisting will be: Mesdames Joseph Boyle, Richard Gaendler, George Geiger, Herbert Hartman, Charles Lennon, George LeFrois, Anthony Masucci, Elmer O'Brien and Frank Weinhart.

Infant Asylum Forced To Leave Historic Site

Washington — (NC) — the 144-year-old building just off Pennsylvania Avenue which housed the first British Embassy in the United States and for the last 45 years has been the home of St. Anne's Infant Asylum will no longer shelter that institution.

"Prohibitively expensive" repairs ordered by a building inspector have caused the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph to move the asylum to another site, a zoning board announcement has revealed here.

Membership Drive to Open For St. John Fisher Club

An extensive membership campaign will be launched by the St. John Fisher Club of Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral during the summer social season. It is hoped by the leaders that all new members will participate and be formally received into the club when it resumes its regular monthly business and dinner meetings in the fall.

All parishioners, both married and single, between the approximate ages of 18 and 35 are being sought as prospective members. Miss Rita Trost has been appointed chairman of the campaign and the following teams will participate:

Veterans — Neil J. Hickey, Thomas Tydings, John T. O'Connor, Norman T. Kidel and Louis Wilhelm.

Youth Groups — Misses Marie Kelly, Dorothy Wehner, Peggy Walsh, Margaret Owen, and Joan McNulty.

Business Employees — Miss Rose Gillette, Norman Sullivan, Miss Marie Morgan, Miss Corinne Lela, Thomas McGee and Miss Rita Manning.

Family Members — Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stein, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Wellar D. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Colin G. Tracey and Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Dorrster, Jr.

A Hay Ride will be held by the club on June 20 for all present and prospective members with Thomas Tydings as chairman.

New Scranton College Plans Fall Opening

Notre Dame, Ind. — Fully accredited by the Pennsylvania State Council Education as a four-year college, Kings College, a new institution operated by the Congregation of the Holy Cross, is preparing to open next September at Kingston, Pa., near Scranton, Pa., and has begun to enroll students.

This announcement was made this week by the Rev. James W. Conroy, C.S.C., President of Kings College and formerly Registrar of the University of Notre Dame, which is also conducted by the Congregation of the Holy Cross. Father Conroy said that application forms are being mailed to nearly 300 applicants for enrollment in the new college. Scores of veterans are seeking admission as students.

Christianity Withstood Nazis Says Reich Jurist

Heidelberg — Christianity and the Church is the only one of the "intellectual institutions" in Germany that did not capitulate before the Nazi regime, declared Dr. Gustav Radbruch, dean of the law department of Heidelberg University.

Dr. Radbruch, who is a socialist and served as attorney-general of the pre-Nazi German Government, said: "We have witnessed in the past 12 years how all intellectual institutions — the universities and science, the courts and public law, the political philosophies and parties — capitulated before tyranny. Only one of them maintained itself: Christianity and the Church."

LIFE PARTNERS 50 YEARS

Parents of a priest and 11 other children, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Walk, of Holy Redeemer Parish, Rochester, celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, this week.

12 Children Participate At Couple's Golden Wedding

Reinacting their wedding ceremony of fifty years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Walk of 992 North St., Rochester, again solemnly pronounced their wedding vows Tuesday in Holy Redeemer Church at a Golden Jubilee Mass celebrated by their son, the Rev. Frederick V. Walk, assistant pastor of St. Vincent de Paul's Church, Corning.

The couple was married on May 27, 1896 at St. John's Church, Deshane, Ohio. Assisting Father Walk at the

Postmaster Edw. J. Reidy Mourned

Death of Edw. J. Reidy, Postmaster Edward J. Reidy at 2:30 a. m. today (May 23, 1946) brought widespread sorrow in the Southern Tier. An Ardent Catholic layman, he was active in the St. Andrew's Seminary choir, parish and school affairs.

Solemn funeral services in St. Patrick's Church of which he was a member were being arranged today.

Born in Elmira August 13, 1885, Postmaster Reidy entered the postal service on Dec. 12, 1920. He was appointed Assistant Postmaster on August 16, 1934, and Postmaster on July 1, 1943.

He was a former president of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's Church and a member of Elmira Council, Knights of Columbus. A member of the American Legion, he was a veteran of World War I, and saw considerable service overseas.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary A. Reidy, three daughters, Mary Elizabeth, Jean and Kathleen and a son Thomas and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Reidy.

Half Million to Missions

Quebec — (NC) — The sum of \$502,000 was collected in the past year by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and the Society of St. Peter the Apostle. It was reported at the annual meeting of the French-language directors of the National Council of the Propagation of the Faith held here. Another general meeting will be held for the English-language directors at Moncton this summer.

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Language Plays Scheduled By Nazareth Seniors

Two one-act modern language plays, "La Faim est un Grand Erreur" and "Le Pain est un Grand Erreur" by the Nazareth Academy French Club, will be presented in the school auditorium. Languages used in the plays are English, German, Spanish and French.

"La Faim" involves the language education of a Catholic priest who is presented in a most amusing manner by three language students before he graduates.

"Le Pain est un Grand Erreur" reveals the problems presented to two American students in a small French village after the liberation when they follow the French Government.

London — (NC) — Miss Marie Helme, noted Catholic writer, plans to become a nun. It is reported here.

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In the Sanctuary also were the Rev. Magr. Max Walk of Toledo, Ohio, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Walk; the Rev. Francis Hoelen, pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church; the Rev. William W. Hodes, pastor of Holy Family Church; the Rev. Eugene O'Connell, Chaplain of city and county institutions; the Rev. Alexander Stee of Newark, N. J., and the Rev. William Lamm.

Grandsons who assisted at the altar were Jerry Hahn, Herbert Hahn, Jimmy Walk, Richard Clark, David Maier and Tomasz Walk.

Mr. and Mrs. Walk were preceded down the aisle by two flower girls, both their granddaughters, Virginia Hahn and Betty Lou Maier. Ushers were Fred Walk and Joseph Walk, other grandsons.

In the Church were seated the whole 12 children of the late John Joseph Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Walk, Miss Edith V. Walk, Frank V. Walk, Dorothy V. Walk, William J. Walk, Winifred E. Walk, Clara Elizabeth M. Walk, Paul R. Walk, Agnes M. Walk, Robert John A. Walk and Albert G. Walk.

After the Mass, breakfast was served at the family home, 992 North St. for the family and out of town guests. At 3 p. m. dinner was served at the Walk and Kramer Social Club for 70 guests. In the evening a reception attended by over 200 relatives, friends and guests was held at the W. and K. Club.

Out of town guests included: Monique Walk of Toledo and his mother, Mrs. Mary Walk and her two daughters, Mrs. Stella Elira and Mrs. A. Imber of Deshane, Ohio; Mrs. Florence Murphy of Jacksonville, Florida, cousin of Mr. Walk, who had met in 40 years.

The best man at the wedding 50 years ago in fact and the bridegroom, Miss Tina Mangster was unable because of illness to attend.

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