

Panel Talk Set On UNESCO at Girls' College

UNESCO, one of the important United Nations Organization agencies, will be the subject of a panel discussion at Nazareth College Friday evening, Nov. 15 at 8 p. m. The public is invited.

The meeting on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization will be final in a series this week on the world organization.

Students who will take part in Friday's panel are: Eleanor Sephine Taschetti, Ruth Anne Mumphy, Frances Ehnis, Josephine Agnello, Margaret Mary Donegan, Joan Lynch.

Wednesday afternoon a group discussed the General Assembly. Participating were: Marianne Winder, Catherine L. Berry, Shirley Hall, Adele Mae Lochner, Mary Kelly, Helen Schoenher, Betty Gardner, Elaine Kolesnik, Patricia Gantner and Doris Inceve.

The Security Council was to be the topic this afternoon, with speakers: Yvonne Frey, Marian Fox, Marie Antonacci, Jean Monaghan, Marilyn Metz, Joan Lovewick, Mary Margaret Bradley, Kathleen Koener and Helen Ryan.

ABP. STEPINAC PROTEST PLANNED

By unanimous vote of the student body of Our Lady of Mercy High School next Wednesday has been voted a day of silence and of special prayers to invoke God's help for Archbishop Stepinac.

Kathleen Schuler, prefect of the school, graphically appealed to the students for prayers in behalf of the imprisoned Archbishop. Following the talk a vote was taken resulting in a 100% enthusiastic support of the appeal.

The day will open with all students assisting at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and receiving Holy Communion in the Auditorium.

Aid to Persecuted Seen Duty by British Convert

Intervention in behalf of oppressed peoples can be a duty as well as a right according to John Eppstein, noted British convert, who visited St. Bernard's Seminary on Sunday.

Speaking before the seminary's student body, Mr. Eppstein defended the principle of intervention as a commonplace of Catholic teaching. The Britisher, who is a graduate of Oxford University, stated that Catholic teaching has always defended a nation's right to intervene in a quarrel, and even its duty when there is a chance of success, in order to save an innocent nation from unjust aggression.

Yugoslav Situation
The obligation of peoples and nations to intervene in behalf of persecuted peoples is present even now, and it is present particularly to Catholics because of the persecution of the Church in Yugoslavia, he said.

The speaker observed that the Tito persecutions have already killed as many as 500,000 people, and expressed the opinion that the Tito attack against the Church is a "trial balloon." If Russia sees that other nations and peoples do not react to the Tito persecution, she may generalize this persecution behind the Iron Curtain, he warned.

He urged that Catholics of the United States should show a spirit of solidarity with their persecuted fellow-Catholics. Prayer and protests to their government are the two ways in which American Catholics can contribute to the work of intervention in defense of their oppressed co-religionists.

St. Ambrose Firm
Explaining the Catholic tradition on the principle of intervention, Mr. Eppstein said that St. Ambrose, a fourth-century bishop, was the first to face the problem of international intervention.

St. Ambrose defended self-defense and defense of those unjustly victimized as quite in keeping with the teaching of Christ. "Although it may be Christian to turn our own cheek to the aggressor, we are not commanded in Scripture to turn the other fellow's cheek," St. Ambrose stated, according to Mr. Eppstein.

St. Ambrose was also quoted by the speaker as saying: "He who, if he is able does not ward off an injury done to his com-



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rade sins as much as he who does the injury."

The teaching of Bishop Ambrose, said Mr. Eppstein, has become the constant Catholic teaching on intervention and has even been incorporated into the laws of the Church.

Received into the Church in 1919 by the famous English Jesuit, Father C. C. Martindale, Mr. Eppstein has had a long and distinguished career as a statesman with the League of Nations. Pope Pius XI conferred upon him the Medal of Pontifical Academy of Sciences in 1933.

Sampson College Chaplain Asks For Altar Needs

An appeal for furnishings for the chapel at Sampson College has been voiced by the Rev. Paul J. Cuddy, former Army chaplain who was recently appointed Catholic Student Pastor at the new school.

Except for the pews and an old altar, writes Father Cuddy, the chapel has no other accoutrements. Among the needs listed are: sanctuary lamp and stand, vestments, small monstrance, brass candlesticks and single candle holders, censers and host, benediction set, stations of the Cross, statues, altar cards, antependium for a small altar, large Missal and a Requiem Missal.

The priest also sees need for a set of the Catholic Encyclopedia and other books. Any donor may write him at Sampson College, Sampson, N. Y.

Father Cuddy, who is spiritual advisor for approximately 900 Catholic students, has already set up a Newman Club and has issued the first edition of the "Ave Maria Bulletin."

He celebrates Mass daily at 7 a. m. and at 9:30 and 12:15 on Sunday.

As soon as proper arrangements for the housing of the Blessed Sacrament can be had, Novena devotions will be held at the College.

SOCIAL SERVICE NUN TO LECTURE FOR WORKERS

Sister M. Hedwig of the Sisters of Social Service will lecture at St. Joseph's House of Hospitality under the auspices of the Catholic Worker Group Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8:30 p. m.

Sister Hedwig, organizer of many new foundations of the Order in the United States and in Canada, is at present establishing a branch of the Buffalo Catholic Charities in Lackawanna where work is carried on among the many national groups there.

A former member of Hungary's "noble" Sister Hedwig will discuss "The Communist Regime in Hungary."

The work of the Order takes them into practically every phase of the social and political apostolate. Sister M. Slachta, Superior General of the Budapest community, in addition to being a lawyer and member of the Communist controlled Hungarian Parliament, holds an M.D. degree.

During World War II, these Sisters carried on extensive underground work, one of them being "liquidated" by the Nazi Occupation for her work among the Jewish population in Hungary.

SISTER MODESTA RITES CONDUCTED

Funeral services for Sister Modesta Knodler, who died at Sacred Heart Convent in Perkinville on Wednesday, Nov. 6, 1946, were held at Nazareth Convent, Pittsford, on Saturday morning.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rev. William Frank, assisted by the Rev. Thomas H. Wronski, at the altar and the Rev. Joseph Natale as sub-deacon. The Rev. William W. Hiesel was Master of Ceremonies; the Rev. Jacob Rauber and the Rev. Bernard Kuchman were acolytes.

Present in the sanctuary were also the Rev. Joseph H. Gefell, the Rev. Louis Edelman, and the Rev. George W. Eckl. Blessing at the grave was given by the Rev. Joseph H. Gefell, assisted by the Rev. William Hiesel and the Rev. Jacob Rauber.

Born in Germany, Sister Modesta in 1881 entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in Rochester. She taught in several of the diocesan schools including St. Francis Xavier, Rochester; St. Mary's, Danville; St. Joseph's, Wayland; St. Alphonsus, Auburn; St. John's, Grege. The last thirty years she spent in Perkinville, where Sacred Heart School was the scene of her labors.

Surviving Sister Modesta are two sisters in Germany.

Chaplains Invited to K. C. Service Dinner

Chaplains of the armed forces who are members of the Knights of Columbus will be special guests at a dinner for returned servicemen in the Club rooms, Columbus Civic Centre, Sunday evening, Nov. 17 at 6 p. m.

Master of ceremonies for the speaking and entertainment program will be Nell P. Collins. Arrangements for the dinner are being made under the direction of House Committee Chairman John J. Kinney.

1000 Attend Diocesan NCCW Meeting Mrs. Frank Curtin Elected President

One thousand Catholics were last week reorganizing the Rochester Diocesan National Council of Catholic Women and elect new officers.

Mrs. Frank T. Curtin, former member of the Council's board of directors, was the first new president elected in 16 years. She succeeds Miss Cecelia Xawman, pioneer organizer of the Rochester group.

Other officers are: Miss Virginia Croston, secretary; Miss Alice Kirk, treasurer; Mrs. Richard Kalb, assistant treasurer; Mrs. R. Leo Sullivan, Grotto, auditor; and Miss Mary Cathrin Simpson, parliamentarian.

Opened With Mass
The convention opened at 8:30 Thursday morning with the Excellency, Bishop James E. Keane, celebrating Low Mass in Old St. Mary's Church.

Rev. John G. Brill and Rev. John T. Callahan were assistant chaplains. Acolytes were the Rev. Thomas Cleary and the Rev. E. Leo McManus.

In the sanctuary were the Rev. Dr. George F. Kettel and the Reverend Fathers Francis Heister, Leslie G. Wilkins, Charles Connell, Albert J. Sharron, John E. Malloy and L. John Hedger.

More than 750 delegates attended the business sessions and luncheon at Hotel Seneca when testimonial was made to Miss Xawman, retiring president.

Bishop Kearney paid tribute to her "magnificent work through the years," adding that few names will ever be held in higher repute.

Her "sustained and consistent leadership" was quoted by Mrs. M. H. Keough, president of the Rochester Diocesan Council, speaking at the luncheon.

Bishop Sounds Warning
In his luncheon address, Bishop Kearney sounded a warning against the approaching opposition to religious education.

A bigger battle is coming, the Bishop said, in which the enemies of religious education will become ever more aggressive.

He also voiced an appeal to the women delegates to assist in finding homes for children now under the care of an overburdened Catholic Charities staff.

Miss Margaret Kelly, national organizer for the N.C.C.W., urged reorganization not only of the Diocesan Council but of every affiliated organization. Emphasizing the necessity for lay action, she reviewed the words of Pope Pius XII on women's duties in political and social life.

"Your job," she pointed out, "is to bring Christian principles outspokenly into the world forum. The need for unity and combined strength is vital."

Reiterating the Holy Father's message, the Rev. Albert J. Sharron, Diocesan Moderator, N.C.C.W., called upon the delegates to assume an active role in public life.

"The social obligations of today apply in an especial manner to women," Father Sharron declared. "The fate of the family, the fate of human relations are at stake. They are in your hands."

Opposition to the Church today is not intellectual but moral, he explained. "Men are no longer objecting to the Church because of the way they think, but because of the way they live."

The job of restoring the unity of the family, the integrity of marriage and the dignity of women is the particular job of Christian women, he pointed out, because "by you very much God has fitted you for this task."

He cited the defeat again this year of the Equal Rights Amendment by block opposition of the N.C.C.W., the work of the organization in providing food and clothing for Europe and the wartime job of preserving GI brides to the faith.

"This is but a beginning," he concluded. "With God's help let us go forward—faithfully, hopefully, courageously."

Discussing the need for reorganization, the Rev. John T. Callahan called attention to modern disregard for the sacraments and the ten commandments, the basis of Christianity.

"The Christian women today are living in a practically pagan civilization," he averred. "She has to combat a pervasive mentality that is selfishly individualistic. She looks in vain for the Christian elements of her environment."

The convention went on record with demands for (1) immediate steps to repeal the veto power of the UN Security Council (2) enforcement of the International bill or rights by a special court (3) "merciful peace treaties" (4) a long-range housing program (5) moral campaigns against social disease (6) increase of spiritual retreats and (7) active participation of Catholic Societies in

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Members of the Rochester Diocesan National Council of Catholic Women, including Mrs. M. H. Keough, Diocesan Moderator, and Mrs. Frank T. Curtin, newly elected president.

New NCCW Head Backs Drive To Clothe War Stricken

Whole-hearted support in the "Clothe the War Stricken" campaign (Dec. 1-3) is pledged by the Rochester Diocesan Council, N.C.C.W., in the first public statement issued by newly elected President Mrs. Frank T. Curtin.

"This drive is a most timely and important one," she said. "It will feature all types of clothing for adults and children. In Europe, warm clothing is needed, while in the warmer countries of the East, other types of clothing are desperately needed."

In her first letter to the Council's affiliates, the new president expresses her appreciation of their confidence in her and asks the help of Our Lady of Good Counsel and their continued in-

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Nuns' Bazaar Opens Nov. 26

St. Joseph's House of Hospitality, 1000 Seneca St., will open its annual bazaar on Friday, Nov. 26, from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m.

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