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Workers Spurred To End Hospital Drive Monday

Hornell—Entering into the final phase of solicitation, with this week remaining before the official termination of the United Hospitals Building Fund program, John J. Mellinger, General Chairman, has announced that all committees in Hornell and the outlying communities are intensively engaged in the solicitation of prospects whereby the total hospital need of \$475,000 may be raised.

Nurse Reviews Saint's Life

The life story of St. Paschal Baylon was outlined in a book review of "The Saint of the Eucharist" by Father Oswald Stanforth, O.S.F.C., given by Miss Joan Gibbs, a Junior Class member of St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Elmira.

The reviewer told of Paschal Baylon having been born in Spain on Pentecost Sunday in the year 1540 and described his early years as a shepherd. His entrance to the religious life as a Franciscan was cited and his devotion recalled.

"Paschal entered the Province of St. John the Baptist," the reviewer stated. "He found himself at home there and could not find words to thank God for the blessing of his vocation."

"HE WAS ALWAYS the first in Choir at the midnight office and likewise the last to leave and return to his cell. He would sleep for a short time in a position as to make it a penance. He would arise early and go into the Chapel to pray."

While in prayer, Paschal would kneel, joining his hands and raising them to his forehead. In that position he would remain immovable. One Holy Thursday he remained in such a way for five hours.

The Saint comforted and cured the sick. He would say, "Pray hard, it is nothing much," and they knew their illness would not have a fatal ending. He would give them his blessing or touch their affected part and they would be cured.

"His entire life," the reviewer said, "was one of humility, mortification, holy poverty and angelic purity."

By following St. Paschal's lesson, "we make our own lives more devoted to the Eucharistic King."

Deadline Advanced

Because of Thanksgiving Day, the Courier Journal will go to press one day earlier next week. News deadline in the Rochester office is Tuesday, Nov. 23 at NOON.

Direct Elmira Area Holy Name Work



Officers of Elmira Deanery Holy Name Union meet with His Excellency, Bishop Kearney (third from left). Heading Holy Name Society activity in the Elmira area are (from left) John J. Richardson; Daniel J. Donahoe, president; Rev. William J. Naughton, spiritual director; Dr. William J. Frank, vice president; Charles J. Kromer, secretary.

Wendell Gerber Dies, World War 2 Veteran

Corning—Wendell Gerber, 42, of 186 W. First St. died unexpectedly Friday, Nov. 12, 1948. He was born in Corning, the son of George and the late Margaret Gerber. He had spent most of his life in this city and was a Veteran of World War II. He was a member of St. Mary's Church.

Besides his father he is survived by three brothers, Raymond and Walter at home and Albert of Rochester.

Funeral services were held from the A. W. Betty and Son Funeral Home Monday at 8:30 a. m. and at 9 o'clock in St. Mary's Church. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Enrollment Increases Montreal (N.C.)—There are 97,982 children registered in the elementary Catholic schools of Montreal this year. This is an increase of 1854 over last year. They occupy 3,202 classrooms.

St. Anthony's War Dead Honored at Military Mass

At a Memorial Military Mass, St. Anthony's parish of Elmira honored its World War 2 dead, nineteen heroes, Sunday morning at the chapel in Cowles Hall.

The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Albert L. Simonetti, pastor.

Sermon was preached by the Rev. John V. Loughlin, former chaplain in the Marines and chaplain at the Elmira Reception Center.

The veterans of St. Anthony's parish assisted at the Mass in uniform. They meet in the church annex on College Ave. and marched to the chapel.

Joseph Traccia, crossbearer, led the procession. Acolytes and servers at the Mass were Leonard Corci and Leonard Saginario. Flag bearers were Joseph Colletta and Pat. Browdy. Raymond Cicconi and Eugene Liquori made up the honor guard and Lito Cicconi was master of arms.

Following the service, the traditional Memorial Mass banquet was held at the Mark Twain Hotel.

6 Instructors Join Nazareth College Staff

Six new instructors are teaching in several different departments of Nazareth College according to the college's Press Bureau, this week.

Mrs. Marion O'Neill, 46, known to many of the alumnae as a former instructress at the College is teaching Freshman Speech, this year.

In the Physics Department is Mrs. Jane Putnam, graduate of William Smith College in 1943. Mrs. Putnam also teaches at the University of Rochester.

Sister Anna Louise of the Music Department is teaching Liturgical Singing, this year. Sister received her degree in Liturgical Music from the Plus X School of Liturgical Music, New York. Miss Rose Salamone, an alumna of Nazareth is teaching piano.

Miss Virginia Bogdari who was graduated from Nazareth College in 1943 is giving organ instruction. Organist of St. Patrick's Church, Miss Bogdari studied under Dr. Eugene Lapierre at the University of Montreal.

Head of the Fine Arts Department is Miss Janet Navil of Baldwinsville, who has her Fine Arts Degree in Interior Decorating from Syracuse University.

Corning CDA Hear Talk on Saints

Corning—Members of Court St. Joseph, Catholic Daughters of America received Holy Communion in a body at the 8:30 a. m. Mass Sunday at St. Mary's Church.

At a recent meeting of the organization the Rev. Thomas K. Cleary, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's Church and C. D. of A. Chaplain, gave a talk on the canonization of Saints.

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Of the Families in the Rochester Diocese Now Subscribe to Their COURIER JOURNAL

Adler Declares World Government Inevitable

World government not only is necessary and possible, but inevitable, Mortimer J. Adler, University of Chicago philosopher, told a Christian Culture Lecture Series audience at Aquinas Institute on Nov. 14.

A leading exponent of world federation, Adler strongly insisted that existing governments must sacrifice national sovereignty or face "the incredible destruction of the next world war" which might result in despotic rule by one nation.

The promise that world government is necessary to world peace," Adler continued, "can be as clearly demonstrated as any problem in geometry."

Declaring that "the world is still at war," the speaker asserted that "we now have not peace, but peace—a plurality of peace; nations are awaiting only the dropping of the first bomb."

PREDICTING THAT by 1953, 55, if not before, "the East also will have the atom bomb," Adler said "we have five to seven years to do what it may not be possible to do." This, he pointed out, is to educate the world to the need for a world federation, which must come either voluntarily or by force.

"It will be unity or chaos, world government or war, one world or none," he declared.

The United Nations organization, he said, "cannot possibly succeed, because it isn't based on government. It can't make laws, it can't enforce them. The veto ensures national sovereignty, and as an organization for enforcing peace, the United Nations will fail." It might serve however, he added, "as a valuable instrument in popularizing world government."

Admitting that a world federalist government would not be a guarantee of peace, Adler pointed out that there could be under it "a world civil war." But after such a war, he noted, would come peace, while "after our present international wars there is no peace."

PRIESTS' DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Tuesday, Nov. 23rd to be conducted at Our Lady of the Lake Retreat House, Geneva, N. Y. Reservations must be made with the Rev. Elmer McManis, diocesan director, 1111 E. Main St., Rochester, N. Y.

Termining the UN a "debating society for diplomats," the speaker said "the thing to get rid of first are the diplomats." They cannot be assured of "keeping the conversation going," he declared, because of conflicting national interests.

"We must perfect some kind of machinery such as exists in the nation's courts," he maintained, "to enable talking to continue and shooting to cease. Diplomats will always fail because war lies at the end of their best arguments as a last alternative."

All signs point to the decline of 19th Century capitalism and of communism, Adler stated. The necessary middle ground will be reached and East and West brought together, he said, when we become more socialistic than we are and the Russians become more capitalistic than they are.

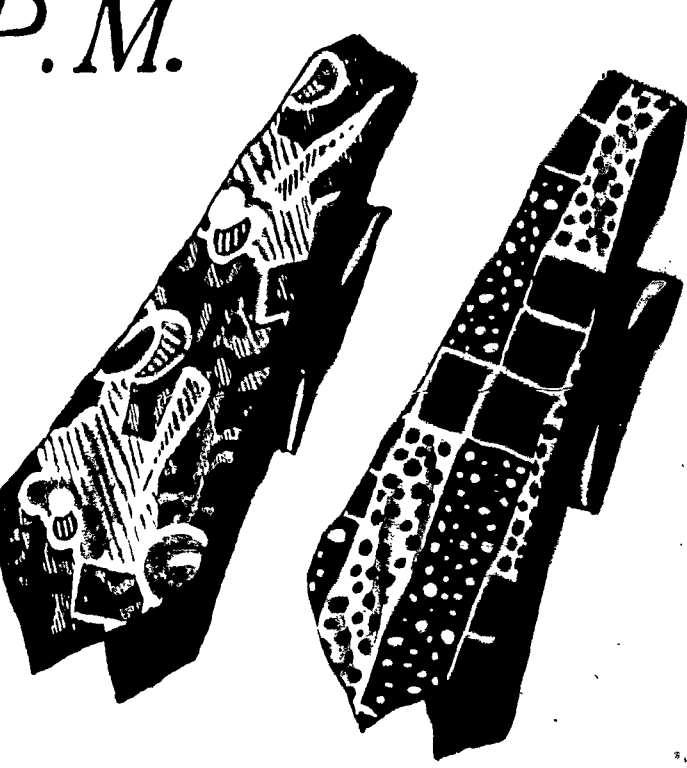
Adler was one of several world-wide figures who started in 1946 to work out a World Constitution. The resulting document has just been published, he said. It divides the world into nine regions and designates what powers are to be given the world government and what to remain with the separate states. It deals with such issues, he added, as representation, balance of power, world conference, the monetary system, distribution of armed forces, and taxation.

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