

# 'City of Kings,' Play About Bl. Martin, Opens Saturday at Mercy Auditorium

Blessed Martin de Porres, Negro Dominican Brother known as the "Wonder Worker of Peru," will "come to life" on Mercy Auditorium stage Saturday, March 25, in the prize-winning play, "City of Kings."

More than 6,000 adults and 4,000 children are expected at the 12 performances of the religious drama, which will have evening performances at 8:30 p.m. each night next week from Sunday, March 26, through Sunday, April 2. Only exception is Monday night, March 27 when there will be no show.

Reserved seats, priced at \$1.00, are obtainable from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily at the Holy Name Office, 25 West St., Hamilton 4326. General admission tickets, priced at \$1.50, are available in most parishes of the county. They may also be obtained at Brennan's, Fred-

more's, Tran's or Tucker's religious goods store or at Columbia Civic Center.

"CITY OF KINGS" was written by the Rev. Urban Nagle, O.P., Dominican priest of New York, author of the play, "Lady of Fatima," which showed to nearly 10,000 persons at Mercy Auditorium last Spring.

Heading the cast will be Edward Smith of New Orleans, who created the role of Blessed Martin in the play's 90-performance run on Broadway last Spring. In the female lead is Miss Jacqueline Levy of New York, who played Martin's mother in the Broadway show. Supporting them will be 23 local actors under the direction of Wilford H. Scott.

General admission tickets are good for any evening performance, on a first come first served basis. Reserved seats, at 60 cents additional, will be set aside for those telephoning the Holy Name Office, and may be picked up any day prior to the show. Two parishes thus far have planned "theater parties." They are Sacred Heart, for Sunday night, March 26, and St. Andrews, for Sunday night, April 2. Special buses will take parishioners from the church to the auditorium and back.

Regular "Main East to Blossom" buses will go directly to the auditorium for each performance.

FOUR MATINEES are planned for school pupils only. Adults are requested to limit themselves to evening performances, as the number of pupils expected at the matinees may tax the 1100-capacity of the hall. Matinees are scheduled Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26, at 2:30 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday, April 1 and 2, at the same hour. Various schools have been assigned particular matinees. Buses for the round trip will be supplied for schools guaranteeing a minimum of 50 passengers, at regular rates.

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# Papal Relief For Refugee Children



Father Shukry Surur, only Catholic priest in the Egyptian-occupied area of Palestine, and Pastor of Gaza, through the help of the Papal Relief Mission for Palestine, distributes food gifts to the refugee children there, innocent victims of the Arab-Jewish hostilities. Monsignor Thomas J. McMahon, of New York, is head of the Mission. It is aided by War Relief Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference.

# Lipa Apparition Lectures Open At Aquinas Today

Stephen Breen who will speak on "The Recent Apparitions of Our Lady at Lipa on Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25 at 8 p.m. is a nationally known lecturer according to the sponsoring groups.

The lecture is being presented as a Lenten project by Aquinas Mothers Club and Nazareth Academy Parent Teachers Association. The public is invited and no admission will be charged according to the sponsors.

# Improvements Listed At Stanley Church

Stanley Church improvements have been made in St. Theresa's Church, Stanley, and St. Mary's Church, Geneva, and the parishes are in a flourishing condition according to the Rev. Leo Hastings, pastor.

# Double Wedding For Police Girls Set In Geneva

Miss Matilda Polce is engaged to Michael J. Lazio son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lazio, 90 Wads with St. and Miss Ernestine Polce to Arnold Ashton of Washington, D. C. son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Ashton, 28023 31st. S. E. Washington, D. C.

# CITATION FOR PEACE WORK



For his efforts to bring about universal acceptance of the United Nation Plan for the control of Atomic Energy, an outstanding Catholic layman, Senator Brien McMahon of Connecticut, is presented the National Commander's Citation of the Catholic War Veterans. Making the presentation to the Senator is Nicholas J. Wagner, National Commander, C.W.V.

# Father Rice Due In Elmira For Labor Status Talk

Through the efforts of the Special Catholic Action Committee formed in Elmira during this winter, the Rev. Charles Owen Rice of Pittsburgh, will give an address on "Labor Relations" in the Evans Memorial Hall on DeWitt Avenue Monday, March 27, at 8:30 p.m.

FATHER RICE is a nationally known expert on labor and its responsibilities. He has appeared in a number of strike settlements as an impartial member, has appeared in many community forums in the Northeast both rural and metropolitan areas.

His work on labor boards has earned for him a high mark of approval. He is a prolific writer having but recently published a widely accepted pamphlet on de-

# H. N. Bowling Tournament Deadline Set on March 26

Fifteenth Annual Holy Name Bowling Tournament opening April 22 in Buonomo Bowling Hall, 170 Charlotte St., Rochester, is expected to attract more than 2,000 Catholic bowlers according to William Drees, Secretary.

Entries will close midnight Sunday, March 26. All remittances in the form of check or cash and payable to the Catholic Men's Bowling Association tournament sponsors, must be mailed on or before March 26 to William Drees secretary, 1529 Clinton Ave. South, Rochester 20, N. Y.

The tournament is a five-man team contest. Entry fee is \$15 per team, bowling included. Entry \$8 and bowling \$7. The Catholic Men's Bowling Association lists 17 rules, first of which is "All entrants must be members of the Catholic Church."

Second rule is "The scratch average being 950 pins for the five-man event handicap is based on 70% of the difference between your highest average in any league and the above figure. Team average to be computed by adding the averages of the individuals. Highest average in any league must be used in all cases."

Bowlers who bowl in unsanctioned leagues cannot bowl in the Holy Name Tournament.

# Italian Mission Closing Slates

Solemn closing of the Italian Mission being conducted in St. Anthony's Church, Elmira, will take place on Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m.

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# Catholic Medical Schools Get Grants

Washington (N.C.)—Four Catholic medical and dental schools have been awarded grants to support cancer institutions by the National Cancer Institute which is associated with the United States Public Health Service (Creston), University School of Medicine (Creston), Marquette University Dental School and Georgetown University Medical and Dental School \$5,000 each and Loyola University School of Dentistry Chicago \$4,800.

# Trappist Monks Vote

London (RNS)—For the first time in English history Roman Catholic monks of the Trappist Order voted in a preliminary election. They were adding the averages of the individuals. Highest average in any league must be used in all cases.

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Blessed Martin, whose life is portrayed was born in 16th Century Peru. Son of a liberated slave woman he entered the Dominican Order as an oblate and humbly refused any higher state. He distributed alms, nursed the sick and built an orphanage in Lima after city officials had declared the project impossible. Martin was beatified in 1877. His cause for canonization is under consideration.

Under the direction of Father Hastings and the trustees the two churches have made many improvements in their property. At St. Mary's a budget of more than \$1,000 was raised and expended. Permanent improvements include the building of a new entrance, carpeting and satisfactory redecoration of the interior of the church and painting the exterior. St. Theresa's Church at Stanley also received repairs to its physical plant. Trustees Francis Flood and Emmett Dalton were in charge.

At the Stanley church a budget of more than \$1,000 was raised and expended in church activities.

Mr. Lazio is a graduate of De Sales High school and Clarkson College of Technology, and is now employed as an electrical engineer at Barranquilla, Columbia, South America. He was a veteran of World War II and was in the U. S. Marine Corps for two years.

Mr. Ashton is engaged in printing business. A double wedding is planned for April 22 at 10 a. m. in St. Francis de Sales Church, Geneva.

ST. JOSEPH Dear St. Joseph, patron and sure refuge Of the young and pure, and as well The Old and scarred and weak and helpless, We look to thee in thy calm strength and hope. Thou glorious protector of thy blessed spouse and Her divine Son Thou bulwark on which to lean. As we approach the other shore and realize The nothingness of this mortal life, With confidence we turn to thee. Truly thou art the patron of a happy death. G. M.

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