'Boys Towns For Europe' Urged By Father Hanna

Establishment of "boys' towns" in Europe might sell and America to sell democracy, in the opinion of an ex-Navy chaplain, the Rev. Bernard C. Hanna, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, Macedon.

Interviewed last week in New Orleans while attending a reunion of alumni of the North American College of Rome, Father Hanna recalled setting up Italy's first "Boys' Town" in 1945.

"It seems to me in retrospect," he declared, "to have been one of the finest jobs in public relations Americans ever thought of doing."

Father Hanna claims no credit for originating the idea. In fact he took a very dim view of it.

"I couldn't see how we'd avoid ill will choosing a few boys from the hundreds of undernourished kids who swarmed all over Palermo," he said. "But the C. O. (Capt. Chester Nicholls) told me, in rather salty terms, that he wanted to take some Italian boys and give them a real taste of how Americans live and eat and play."

Father Hanna went to pastors of 12 Catholic parishes in Palermo and environs and asked for four boys. "They all wanted to send 400," he recalled. However, the camp of tents built by the Seabees could take care of only 26 at a time, so the total had to be limited to 200.

The boys, in relays, learned from the sailors football, baseball, boxing, and pitching horseshoes. Father Hanna told how most of them could not partake of American food immediately, as they were so emaciated and unused to solid nourishment. Navy enlisted men donated about $1,300 to buy extra things for the youngsters, he said.

Besides having a reunion with other North American College alumni in New Orleans, Father Hanna visited a New Orleans dentist whom he had met in Sicily. Dr. Schiro showed the priest a copy of a Navy newspaper containing a picture of Father Hanna grimacing to make a group of children laugh while they were being inoculated.

Rosarians To Hear Fr. Edward Shamon

Rosarians of Holy Rosary Church will hold their annual spring banquet Tuesday evening, May 23, at 6:30 in the school hall.

Rev. Edward Shamon, assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, will be guest speaker.

Mrs. Cornelius Danehy, chairman, has appointed the following: Mesdames Andrew Schwind, Adolph Winterroth, Leo Muckle, Aul Shannon, Fred Kunz, John Duignan, William Gordinier, Julius Noll, Stephen Hickey, Francis Tormey, Grace Maseth.

Tickets may be obtained from the committee.

Marine Fathers Meet

Next regular meeting of the Marine Fathers' Club will be held Thursday evening, May 18 at 8 o'clock in the Armamar Club.

At Firemen's Holy Name Breakfast

Fire Chief John A. Slattery at the 16th annual Communion Breakfast of city firemen's Holy Name Society congratulates new president John W. Whitechair (left). Retiring president Erwin J. Murphy is at right. Joining in congratulations are Rev. Donald Lux, chaplain and Public Safety Commissioner David B. Brady. More than 250 firemen and guests at breakfast in Hotel Seneca heard the Rev. Matthew Tobin, C.SS.R. in the principal address. Corporate Communion took place at Mass in St. Joseph's Church. (D & C Photo)

National Newman Club Convention Calls UR Group

Officers and members of the University of Rochester Newman Club are making plans to attend the national Newman convention in Cleveland, June 15 to 18, when 1,000 delegates from 450 colleges will meet.

The Most Rev. Richard Cushing, Archbishop of Boston, will give the opening address of the convention.

CURRENT SERIES of Communion breakfasts of the U of R Newman Club was closed Sunday, May 14, by Rev. Paul Tuite, chaplain. Breakfast and meditation was held at St. Joseph's House of Hospitality.

The Club has met with its chaplain weekly on Sunday mornings since February, to help fill the spiritual needs of Catholic students on the campus of the secular university. Meetings will be resumed in the fall, when they are expected to become a permanent feature of the club.

KC Third Degree Slated Sunday

Candidates from Rochester and five vicinity councils will be initiated in the third or major degree of the Knights of Columbus, Sunday afternoon, May 21 at Columbus Civic Center.

Degree work under the direction of District Deputy John J. Kinney will begin at 3 p.m. Prominent among the guests will be Deputy Grand Knight Gordon F. Gilbert of Toronto Council.

Besides Rochester candidates, numbered in the class will be second degree knights from Canandaigua, Dansville, Batavia, LeRoy and Attica.

Deaf and Hard of Hearing Novena To Open On May 24

A mission for all the Deaf and Hard of Hearing of the Rochester Diocese will be conducted from Wednesday, May 24 through Sunday, May 28, the Rev. John B. Gallagher, C.SS.R., chaplain, announces.

Services will be held each evening Wednesday through Saturday, at 7:45 in newly-decorated St. Francis DeSales Chapel, Franklin Street, by the Rev. Stephen Landherr, C.SS.R. of Philadelphia.

EAR PHONES will be made available for the hard of hearing during the mission. Catholic Deaf and Hard of Hearing are urged to invite their friends.

The Mission will close Sunday morning at the 9 o'clock Mass with the Deaf children from the Rochester School for the Deaf receiving their First Holy Communion.

Final Tribute for Sister Ancilla

Funeral of Sister Mary Ancilla Mackin, Sister of Mercy, who died Sunday, May 14, 1950, in the 16th year of her religious profession, were held Tuesday, May 16, 1950 in the Mercy Motherhouse chapel.

Rev. Charles J. Azzi, pastor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, sang the Solemn Requiem Mass, assisted by the Rev. Gennaro Ventura, deacon, and the Rev. Joseph Gorman, subdeacon. Master of ceremonies was the Rev. John T. Callahan, chaplain of Mercy High School.

In the sanctuary were the Reverend Fathers Alexander Stec of Newark Valley, John Hedges, Brockport, and Edward Shamon of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Rochester.

Sister Mary Ancilla entered the Mercy Order in August, 1931, and made her final profession of vows in September, 1934. During her 16 years, she taught in the elementary schools of Old St Mary's, Rochester, St. Patrick's Owego, and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Rochester.

Surviving are a Sister, Sister Mary Agatha, R.S.M., of St Ann's, Hornell, and a brother, James Mackin of St. Mary's of the Angels, Williamsville.

Interment was in the Sisters of Mercy plot in Holy Sepulchre

Lay Fraternity To Plan Feast Day Rite

Plans for the annual observance of the Feast of Corpus Christi will be made by members of St. Andrew's Lay Fraternity at their monthly meeting at 8 p.m. Monday, May 22, in the Seminary on Plymouth Ave North.

Also to be announced will be a Memorial Mass for repose of the soul of the late Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward M. Lyons, founder and moderator of the fraternity.

Final reports on the organization's campaign for funds for a memorial in the new St. Andrew's Seminary building will be made at Monday's meeting.

Forty Hours

Devotions of the Forty Hours will be conducted in the following Churches of the Diocese of Rochester:

Friday, May 19 — St. Philip Neri, Rochester; Henrietta.

Scotland Guild Sets Meeting On May 23rd

St. Margaret of Scotland Guild will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, May 23 in Bauman and Baynes Hall, Driving Park Avenue Dancing and refreshments will follow the business session, and all members are invited. A caller will be provided for the square sets

Living Rosary To Feature Sodality Union Banquet

The 19th annual banquet of the Rochester Deanery Parish Sodality Union will be held Sunday, May 28 at 6 p.m. in Holy Redeemer Parish Hall, Hudson and Clifford Aves.

Preceding the dinner, there will be May Day services at 5 p.m. in the church to which all friends of the Sodality are invited. Following a Living Rosary, in which 53 girls in pastel formals and 7 boys will participate, Miss Loretta Peluso, Chairman of Our Lady's Committee, will crown Our Lady's statue.

At the banquet, a guest speaker will be heard, certificates of merit, presented and the installation of new officers, conducted by Moderator, the Rev. Roy B. Morphy. Thomas Donovan of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish will be installed as Vice-Prefect and Dorothy Fink of St. Andrew's Parish, as Treasurer.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN of the banquet is Rose Tallarida of Holy Redeemer Parish. She will be assisted by the following committee heads: reservations, Mary Rita Tascketta; treasurers, Gene Wojtaszek and Harry Fitzpatrick; entertainment, Eleanor Matt and Bob Haefner; program, Kathleen Kreuzer; publicity, Marilyn Fichtemaier; toastmaster, Bob O'Halloran.

Reservations for the banquet may be made by calling MOnroe 5263W before Wednesday, May 24.

Sister Eulalia's Rites Conducted

Funeral services for Sister M. Eulalia Carroll of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, who died Wednesday morning, May 10, 1950 at Nazareth Convent, were conducted on Friday morning, May 12.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated in Nazareth Convent Chapel by the Rev. Louis W. Bauman, C.SS.R., assisted by the Rev. Francis Pegnam as Deacon and the Rev. Joseph Natale as Subdeacon, the Rev. Joseph H. Gefell as Master of Ceremonies and the Rev. Edward J. Lintz as Thurifer.

Present also in the sanctuary was the Rev. Louis Edelman. The last blessing at the grave was given by the Rev. Joseph H. Gefell.

Sister Eulalia entered the Sisters of St. Joseph in 1889 from Holy Family Parish, Auburn. During her years in religion, she was housekeeper in convents in Auburn, Elmira and Canandaigua.

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