

Alexian Brothers Given Big Estate

CHICAGO, Wis. (AP)—The \$500,000 estate of Mrs. P. M. Peters, 75 of Mount Kisco, N. Y., which comprises 200 acres and a seven-room house, has been donated to the Alexian Brothers and will be used as a convalescent home or hospital. It has been announced here, situated in a secluded area, the estate was acquired by Mrs. Peters, widow of a Chicago lawyer and inventor, for her invalid daughter, who died in 1940, before the house was completed.

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Officers Elected At Elmira Library

Miss Catherine Connelly has been elected president of the St. Christopher Catholic Library Association, Elmira, for the coming year. Unanimous adoption of a constitution and bylaws also was announced following a recent meeting of association members. Elected to serve with Miss Connelly were Miss Mary Newsome, vice-president; Mrs. William Roberts, second vice-president, and Mrs. Charles D. Wilson, treasurer. A secretary will be named at a future meeting. MORE THAN 600 books now are stacked for the shelves of the library, located in the rooms of the Catholic Daughters of America at the corner of East Church and Estate Streets.

CATHOLIC HEADLINES
by Rev. Richard Torrey
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36 Little Girls Make Retreat at Cenacle

BY FAWN SCHREFFEL
Thirty-six young girls did the next to impossible for hours on end this week—they kept silence. Quiet, for most of the time, was the cardinal virtue at the second of two Children's Retreats at the Cenacle Retreat House for Women, East Avenue, Rochester, and the 9 to 12-year-old youngsters were a virtuous lot—most of the time. But it wasn't too difficult for the girls to follow the exhortation to silence, so new, so interesting was the varied program for the two-day devotion, held Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 7 and 8.



Five young girls who make the second of two Children's Retreats at the Cenacle Convent, 605 West Ave., Rochester, are shown entering the retreat house for women. Greeting them is Mother Gertrude Muzick, one of the nine Sisters of the Religious of the Cenacle. The youthful retreatants are (from left) Kathleen Sheehan, Jean Crutten, Susan Whiting, Muriel Coiro and Pat Richardson.

IT WASN'T hard for them, for instance, to maintain attentive decorum as they listened to one of the Sisters of the Cenacle read from the "Little Queen" story of the St. Therese, the Little Flower. Nor was meditation trying during the several short chapel conferences by the Rev. John A. Morgan, assistant pastor of Blessed Sacrament Church, who conducted the exercises which are formulated particularly for the youngsters.

For while silence is the retreat theme, there are frequent times for recreation, so insure that the children will be rested and refreshed for the inspirational chapel talks. Several youthful retreatants took notes during the conferences.

The children, from various parishes in the diocese, were encouraged to make the five visits

to the Blessed Sacrament to gain the Holy Year indulgences. Meditations, hymn practices, conferences, meals and projects filled the days' program. One of the projects was the mounting of pictures of "Our Lady of Fatima."

AT THE retreat's close, the children formed a procession which went from the chapel in-

to the garden to a statue of Our Lady. There the retreatants made an act of consecration to the Blessed Mother, and then returned to the chapel for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Asked by Father Morgan to explain a retreat, one of the girls replied: "You come to a retreat of your own free will,

instead of going swimming and stuff like that."

Children's Retreats during the Summer are only two of the hundreds of retreat exercises conducted throughout the year at the Cenacle. Each weekend during the year finds women from all walks of life entering the Cenacle doors to spend two days apart from the work-a-day world.

Irish-American Holy Year Tour To Rome Slated

Irish-Americans from every section of the United States are joining the Irish-American Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome, sponsored by the United Irish Societies of New Jersey. It was announced in Newark. The members will sail from New York on Oct. 25 in the R.M.S. Queen Mary of the Cunard Line, under personal leadership of the Rev. Joseph C. Lenthian, Chaplain of the Newark Police Department. Reservations and inquiries are being received at all offices of American Express-Catholic Travel League throughout the United States.

St. Louis Leaders Hit Segregation

St. Louis — (RNS) — Leaders of the Roman Catholic, Protestant and Jewish faiths expressed support of the city's efforts to end segregation at community swimming pools. Disturbances have been daily occurrences since the pools were opened to Negroes by court order, and crowds using the facilities have been cut almost to nil. The religious leaders pointed out that American soldiers are fighting for the principles of democracy which demonstrators are seeking to jeopardize in St. Louis.

Circuit Judge David A. McMillan, president of the Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Men, and Mrs. Mary Phelan, president of the Council of Catholic Women, issued a joint statement. "The teaching of the Catholic Church," they said, "is clear that no person should be denied God-given rights or those which are duly established by human authority. Catholics are bound in conscience to support all lawful authority, both civil and religious. Denial of human rights, as a result of prejudice, is both undemocratic and irreligious."

School Trains Seminarians For Rural Pastor Posts

Dubuque, Ia. — (NC) — Thirty-five future priests have received preparation for their roles as rural pastors in the second annual Loras College Action which has just ended here. The seminarians came from the Archdiocese of Dubuque and from six neighboring dioceses which have large populations. Archbishop Henry P. Rohlfman of Dubuque sponsored the school. Among experts in various phases of a country pastor's life who addressed the students were the Rev. John Theobald, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, Luxemburg, Ia., who conducted a course on the elements of parish book-keeping, and Dr. Paul Sarco, authority on rural problems and coordinator of the rural life program in the Diocese of Davenport.

The Rev. William Schimek, pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Rose Creek, Minn., gave a course on things he has found practical in his own country parish. One of Father Schimek's key points in getting the "life of the Church into the home life of the people" is the encouragement of liturgical practices in the home.

Tokyo Parishes Set Record In Baptisms

Tokyo, Japan — (NC) — A new record for baptism for the past year in the two principal parishes of St. John Viannay, directed by Japanese diocesan clergy, had here shows a total of 638, including 453 adults. St. Ignatius parish conducted by the Jesuit Fathers in connection with their University had 264 and the parish of St. John Viannay, directed by Japanese diocesan clergy, had 274. A number of the Jesuit university students and students from Mercaderes Girls' School were included.

NEW AMERICAN BISHOPS



Two priests of the Archdiocese of Boston were named Titular Bishops and auxiliaries to Archbishop Richard J. Cushing of Boston. They are: Msgr. Thomas F. Matham (left), pastor of St. Peter's Church, Lowell, Mass., and Msgr. Eric F. MacKenzie (center), pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Newton, Mass. They will be consecrated on September 14. Another native American, Rev. Leonard P. Haggarty, O.S.B. (right), of Green, Iowa, ordained at St. John's Abbey Seminary, Collegeville, Minn., in 1934, has been named Titular Bishop of Arba and Vicar Apostolic of the Bahamas. (NC Photos)

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