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Fr. Marks To Lead Hotel Series On Catholic Faith
 Open to all interested Catholics and non-Catholics, the Third Annual Catholic Information Series will open in Hotel Seneca on Monday, Jan. 22 and continue for a series of 24 classes.
 This year, the Rev. Francis A. Marks, pastor of St. Andrew's Rectory, will conduct the series. Starting at 8 p.m., the classes will consist of a 45-minute talk and an information discussion and question period following.
 NO REGISTRATION is necessary, but regular attendance at the meetings held every Monday evening beginning Jan. 22 is expected.
 The Catholic Information course offering non-Catholic inquiries a complete series of instructions on the principles and practices of the Catholic faith was inaugurated in 1948 by the Rev. Richard Torney, then an associate pastor of the Center General and now assistant pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes Church.
 The hotel location for the class was chosen to provide a central meeting place easily accessible by bus and to remove the embarrassment and hesitation which

Heads Mission

 Rev. J. Gerard Gentes, Maryknoll missionary from Westport, Maine who has been appointed by the Holy See as Prefect Apostolic of St. Augustine, P. O. of Cuba in Tanganyika, Africa, only 33 years old. Father Gentes, who will have the title of Monsignor served in the missions of Bolivia and Ecuador before his assignment in Africa in 1948.

The Neediest Look To The New Year
 BY NARY FITZGERALD
 The day after New Year's—and there is so little left to remind us of Christmas. Just now, we are most conscious of the empty boxes, the remnants of bright wrappings, the dismantled Christmas tree—and the hills. But the cries are still in our Churches and on the Feast of the Epiphany, it will be not the simple shepherds but the three kings bearing gifts, worthy of the Infant Prince of Peace.
 And so—on this Feast—so fondly termed Little Christmas, by many of our ancestors, should not each one of us, look to the gifts, we bring to the Manger. Reflecting on our hurried trips to the downtown stores to exchange this or that gift, which was not to our liking, I have a thought. You know—it really isn't too late for us to exchange those poorly-chosen or valueless offerings, which we brought to the crib on Christmas Day.
 Ours is not the long journey to the Manger—nor are we limited to the restricted areas from which they could select their gifts. They could select their gold and frankincense and myrrh.
 IN THESE DAYS, of Annual Intentional yearning, we are greatly embarrassed as we scan the assets and liabilities of our individual accounts, to be credited toward our eternal happiness. The gift of our love so strangely combined with a weighing of values received.
 Does He love us—do we get full return for our services to—and our love for Him? Frankincense—prayer—yes, our prayers depend so much upon our needs of the moment—so definitely they bear the accent of petition—so little a trace of Thanksgiving.
 Myrrh—in our softness—our fear of hurt, we shrink from the touch of this particular gift, which symbolizes sacrifice and suffering. Lack of intimacy with the Infant Jesus makes us question our frequent failures, our disappointments and the crosses, heavy or light.
 Then, as a crown tumbles my forehead, I turn instinctively, as though a hand had tapped me on my shoulder, calling my attention to His neediest ones, kneeling far behind me. Was it the voice of my conscience, urging me to heed their pleadings, or was it the voice of the Infant Jesus reminding me of the rare gift, I might rather for Him.
 It was a strange but vivid interlude—making this Feast of the Epiphany in 1951—one that I will long remember.
 THE NEEDIEST of those under care of Catholic Charities, all of whom must look elsewhere for the kindly service of Catholic Social Workers and for the material help they are seeking—that is they must do so—if you and I and all their more fortunate neighbors do not bring our gold, frankincense and myrrh to the crib on this Feast Day.
 On through the interlude—I fumbled groping for something solid around which I could twine my fingers holding fast and finding reality in Him and in the Manger.
 Neediest—shall I say Necessity No. 1—Martha aged 20, her father holding a responsible position in the community, her mother a convert, whose family just can't accept anything Catholic, who would not understand but would rather find the reason for Martha's baby born out of wedlock. Martha could pay part of the expense of her baby's care. (The father of the child has disappeared) but the agency must invest \$240 during the next five months, before this particular child can be placed in a permanent and free home.
 NECESSITY NO. 2—Mrs. C—deserted by her husband, left with three small children, the eldest of family "I told you so". She is not ready for Public Relief—she needs long friendly interviews with a professional worker who will help her to meet this emotional crisis, without

Egypt To Employ Nuns In Hospitals
 Cairo (RNS)—The Department of Christian Medicine in the Ministry of Health has decided to employ nuns in government hospitals.
 This unprecedented move was decided upon after lengthy deliberations. The Department appealed for nuns experienced in medical care to apply for service in State hospitals and 19 sisters responded immediately. They will serve in the government hospitals in Luxor, Kena, Kom Ombo, Edfu, and Assiut, all in Upper Egypt.
 A government note said the nuns were chosen not only because they were competent in modern medical treatment, but because the expense of employing them would not be great. The note also said that the post of chief nurse in these hospitals would be given to nuns.
 Thanks Irish London (NC)—Cardinal Griffin, Archbishop of Westminster, sent a warm message of thanks to the Hierarchy of Ireland for its part in the recent celebrations of the centenary of the restoration of the British Hierarchy.

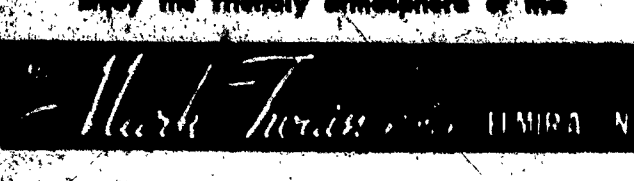
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Mrs. Crupi Heads AIC Auxiliary
 Geneva—Election of officers and Christmas party of the AIC auxiliary was held in AIC home Dec. 21. Mrs. Joseph Crupi was elected president.
 Officers elected were: Vice-president, Miss Josephine Vanuti; advocate, Mrs. Michael Anania; financial secretary, Miss Margaret Cook; secretary, Mrs. Henry Carnovale; treasurer, Miss Antonette Venuti; first trustee, Mrs. Frank Alvaro; second, Mrs. Ross Castelluzzo; third, Mrs. Dominick Iocco; fourth, Mrs. Ester Gigliotti; fifth, Mrs. Estere Evidier; historian, Mrs. Joseph Reed; publicity officer, Mrs. Louisa Gigliotti; outside guard, Mrs. Alice Sironese; inside guard, Mrs. Anthony Anastasia.
 Santa Claus, in the person of Mrs. Dan Monaco, appeared and distributed gifts.
 Entertainment included community singing and songs by Miss Jana Clidings and Miss Mary Fullano.
 Mrs. Louisa Gigliotti recited humorous verses and Miss Josephine Lazo entertained with songs and whistling selections. "Coming Parties of 1951" and "The Charleston" were featured presented by Mrs. Frank Caravita, Mrs. Dominick Iocco, Mrs. Dan Monaco and Mrs. Louis Gigliotti.
 Installation of officers will be held Jan. 17 in AIC home.
 Scores "Trials" Montreal (NC)—Archbishop Paul Emilio Legor of Montreal, at a press conference here, denounced the "trials" of Catholic Bishops and priests in Czechoslovakia as "triquitous."

Sees Second Korea In Philippines
 Some—(RNS)—A warning that Communist "liberators" may attempt to make the Philippine Islands a second Korea was sounded by Gentes (Peoples), an important Jesuit review published here.
 Declaring that Communists are trying to exploit agrarian problems in the Islands, Gentes said the Communist military organization known as the Huka is resorting to terroristic means to disorganize civilian life and impede economic betterment for its own ends.
 "The population has no sympathy with these armed bands," Gentes said, "but, at the same time, they lack faith in the government."
 This lack of faith, according to Gentes, means that "when all hopes are lost, the Communists will start direct armed action."
 The Jesuit magazine said it was regrettable that up till now the Manila government has devoted more thought to repressing the Huka than to providing social remedies that would give the people strength and encouragement in resisting Communism.

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Relief Shipment Arrives in Pusan
 Seoul, Korea (RNS)—A 148-ton shipment donated by the National Catholic Welfare Conference in the United States for the relief of Korean war victims arrived at the southern port of Pusan, It was announced here. The shipment consists of clothing, medicinal and other supplies.
 The supplies will be distributed to needy and homeless persons regardless of religious or other differences.
 Free food is being provided meanwhile by the United Nations Welfare Office here to North Korean refugees streaming southward.

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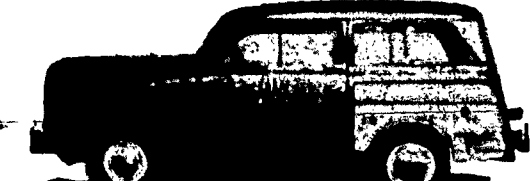
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