

Catholic Encyclopedia Supplement Ready

New York (NC) — The new and revised edition of the Catholic Encyclopedia Supplement II of the Catholic Encyclopedia is now ready, according to an announcement by the Gilmary Society...



WHAT'S DOING AT THE DALYS'

They'll Never Be Like This Again

By MARY TINLEY DALY

It was graduation day for the eighth grade and as the line moved slowly down the church aisle, they looked startingly adult.

We could remember when this same group had "graduated" from kindergarten, eight years before, in cambric caps and gown which the Sisters had made — the curls of the girls and the slick haircuts of the boys. Now, here they were very serious and sedate in rented gold caps and gowns.

In many ways they are growing-up, this 13 and 14-year-old bunch. In other ways they are such children; so secretive in their desire to work out their own problems, so forthright and honest in asking the secure authority they have always known. That authority, though, while welcome must be reasonable. They want to know the reasons behind the "Do this" and "Don't do that" — and they are entitled to know.

PARENTS, teachers, brothers and sisters, and local playground directors are sometimes puzzled, at times infuriated, now and

then bewildered at what to expect next.

There would be a resolution to study seriously and they would be behaving quite creditably — then would come a soft-voiced telephone call from the convent: "Please come over to see me." I wonder if any religious can understand the stinging feeling that message brings — and the prayer all the way over: "Dear Lord, please make it be arithmetic!"

These little chats about neglected arithmetic had seemed so serious once, but now there are so many other things; the restrained respect of elders, the anything-for-excitement urge that leads to the most outlandish feats — like putting a lighted match into a metal trash container and watching the paint peel off from the heat within; the budding boy-girl interest with its friendship rings and its endless telephone calls... No wonder we pray for arithmetic trouble a while longer!

We parents who have to deal with only one at a time think of these early adolescents. I believe that God must have a special pearl-encrusted section placed in His marked "Reserve" for Eighth-Grade Teachers.

THE parent's role is easier. For one thing, there is the background knowledge that this boy or girl is really a very nice child and probably will grow into an adequate adult. Of course you see the irresponsibility: "Nuts, what's the use of studying that?"... the walking off with bed unmade and clothes on the floor... the "I forgot to tell you, Daddy, but a man called yesterday, or maybe the day before, and I think his name begins with D."

Yet, when you're not feeling up to par, that same irresponsible party gives the whole house the once-over and even fixes meals.

AND THE PARTIES! Boys jugged together, rough-housing and grabbing food; girls in groups in the other room pretending to be interested in talking to one another and the wholehearted enjoyment of dancing during the last half-hour of the party!

"They're sweet," I whispered to the Head of the House as the eighth grade line came out of church. "And after all, they'll never be like this again."

"Thank goodness!" he muttered.

Open DCCW Workshop With Prayer



Gathered at the Convent Retreat House, representatives of various units of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women engaged in "workshop" this week. Leaders are shown above in the Chapel reading the Rosary led by the Rev. John T. Callahan, diocesan director. In first row (from left) are Mrs. Eugene Carpenter, An-

AMONG WOMEN

Children In Need

By MARY LENNON SNYDER

June has been designated as Children in Need Month by the War Relief Services of the National Catholic Welfare Conference. We are urged to send new and used bedding for use in institutions overseas.

Any of us who know Eileen Egan of the War Relief Services or who have heard her speak have been moved by the sincerity and conviction with which she says, "What right have we to have two coats for the same seasonal wearing when other women have none for themselves or their children?"

The same might apply to bedding. Practically all of us have more blankets and sheets than we ever need or use. These are carefully inspected each spring and fall, stored, and repacked in their lovely transparent cases to return to the top shelf of the linen closet.

MOST OF US were raised in the day when Mother kept a bucking of linen and blankets on hand for use in the time of family illness or visitors. The day of illness at home is obsolete; and relatives do not come for long visits as they used to in more spacious days. Therefore the good reasons for accumulating reserve stores of linen have long since passed away.

In the home of by-gone times a well stocked linen closet was a sign of provident housekeeping; in today's living more than

Garb Puzzles Natives, Nuns Find On Visit

After a visit to Rochester, two Buffalo Grey Nuns apparently felt they were strangers in their own state. Here is how Joseph P. Driscoll, associate editor of the Catholic Union and Echo, Buffalo, reported the visit in his column, "Sidelights on the News."

"Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart have a distinctive habit, both in color and style, but they are so well known in Buffalo that their appearance causes no comment here. "Yet in our neighboring city of Rochester, which is as Catholic as our own, they seem to be not only unknown but are evidently looked upon with suspicion."

"Two of them visited the Flower City last Saturday and while walking in the downtown section felt like they were a parade. All eyes were turned on them as they passed. One person was heard to remark 'I wonder if they're Catholics!'"

"But the crowning comment came for an elderly lady who sized them up and then said, with undisguised admiration, 'Quite a getup you girls got.'"

"In the South, where the Grey Nuns teach in Christ the King School, Atlanta, and assist in catechetical instruction in outlying parishes, such curiosity is normal. But in Rochester it's amazing."

CATHOLIC HEADLINES

ON WHAM 12:10 Sunday by Rev. Richard Torney for the COURIER-JOURNAL

New Hampshire Solons Rap Parochial School Slight

Concord, N. H. — (NC) — The but the city's taxpayers would elimination of any consideration not be given credit for this of educational effort made by effort.

parochial schools in determining whether New Hampshire cities and towns deserve state financial assistance for school purposes. was criticized at a hearing before the Senate committee on education in the Legislature here.

AMONG OPPONENTS of the State Board of Education program to aid "needy" school districts, as proposed in a bill now before the legislators, were Senators Charles F. Hartnett of Dover, Senate majority leader, and Stanley M. Brown, majority party leader from Bradford.

Both Senators claimed the needy school problem had not been approached in a realistic manner, and that for political reasons some school issues had been sidetracked. Paramount in the unanswered questions, Senators Brown and Hartnett indicated, was the parochial school angle. Senator Brown, in a sharp cross-examination of Commissioner of Education Hilton C. Bulley, asked why no consideration was given to parochial school effort. The Senator pointed out that at least half of the children in the State's largest city, Manchester, are educated in parochial schools.



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