

**AID HOLY ANGELS' HOME**



GOOD SHEPHERD Guild leaders work on membership campaign, chief goal of which is 2,000 members and a new fire escape for Holy Angels Home for Girls. Contacting prospects are: (from left) Miss Alice Moreland, Mrs. John M. Kastner and Mrs. Vernon F. Halloran (at phone). (Courier Staff Photo)

**Fire Escape For Girls' Home, Aim of Guild Drive**

Erection of a modern fire escape at Holy Angels Home, Winton Road North, is the 1952 project for the Good Shepherd Guild which will open its annual membership drive on Monday, Jan. 28 in Hotel Seneca's Ontario Room.

The campaign which is planned to increase the present members of 1,500 to 2,000 is in charge of Mrs. Michael Spang as chairman with Miss Alice Moreland, co-chairman. Captains are: Mrs. John Kastner, Mrs. Vernon E. Halloran, Mrs. Edward Dickes, Miss Violet Rowe, Mrs. Alexander E. Grate and Mrs. George A. Conway.

Holy Angels Home is conducted by the Sisters of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge. In a statement issued in connection with the campaign the Sisters said:

"THE SPECIFIC work of Holy Angels Home is to receive 'teen age girls in order to help them meet the problems which they face now or will hereafter meet in the community to the end that they may be enabled to lead a good Christian life.

"Provision is made for the continuance of their formal educational through a program of both primary and secondary education, under the supervision of both public and diocesan school boards.

"Training along other lines, especially in home-making and domestic science is also provided to fit them for their place in the community. The program of the Institution is under the supervision of the New York State Department of Social Welfare, and is also coordinated with

the various welfare departments and the diocesan charities of the various counties from which the girls come."

**Father Kleintjes At Saturday Club**

First Saturday luncheon will be held Saturday, Feb. 2, in the Powers Hotel Ball Room at 12:15 p.m.

Speaker will be the Rev. John Kleintjes, assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church. His topic will be part of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin.

The luncheon is open to all Catholic women who are interested in the words of Our Blessed Lady at Fatima. Reservations may be made by sending a card to the First Saturday Luncheon Group, 30 Nicholson St., Rochester 20, N.Y. The new price of the luncheon is \$1.50.

The moderator of the group has announced that the luncheon will begin promptly at 12:15 and will be over by 2:00 p.m. Outstanding speakers have been contacted for future luncheons. The luncheon is sponsored by the National Council of Catholic Women.

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**'Defense Plan Will Not Defend'**

**Niagara University President Opposed To UMT Program**

Washington (NC)—Universal Military Training as proposed by the Department of Defense is "a plan for defense which will not defend," according to the Very Rev. Francis L. Meade, C. M., president of Niagara University and Past President of the Middle Atlantic States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

He calls UMT "a plan for defense which will actually weaken by assuring us of a defense which is not there." Added to this is the fact that it will bring in its train evils out of all proportion to the present situation," he comments in an editorial in a recent issue of College News-letter, official organ of the College Department, National Catholic Education Association.

FATHER MEADE believes the solution to present-day military training lies in the National Defense Act of 1920 which, he says, "The Department of Defense refuses to resurrect and revivify."

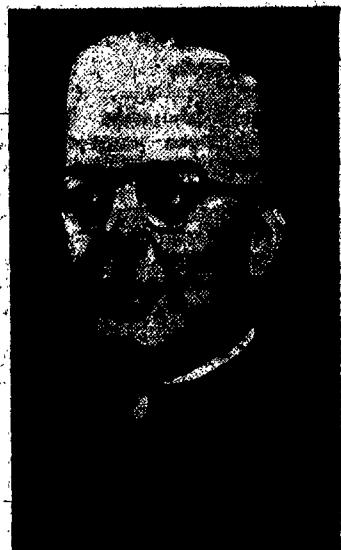
"The National Defense Act provides, he points out, for a large professional army and navy, an engaged citizen national guard, establishes a reserve not only for fighters but for technicians and scientists and it places the Reserve Officers Training Corps in every accredited college and university, together with the Junior ROTC in every high school.

"There is nothing wrong with that Act which cannot be remedied by amendment and enforcement," declares Father Meade, explaining the air force could be provided for by amendment. He charges that the present proposal "would rather saddle on the American public a fraud."

EVERY NATION engaged in World War II which had compulsory military training was defeated, Father Meade points out, with the exception of Russia.

"And it was not military training which saved Russia," he declares. "By Stalin's own admission, Russia was saved by United States supplies!"

"I am not talking of Selective Service," writes Father Meade.



FATHER MEADE

The draft, as it is called, was and is a war measure. It was born of national necessity and should continue as long as national need is present. Mark I say, "as long as national need is present, and I hasten to add not one day longer."

"I AM NOT opposed to preparedness and military service as such," he insists. "What I am opposed to, and most emphatically so, is the present military training program as outlined by the President's Committee."

Father Meade here made reference to the hearings now under way before the House Armed Services Committee. Defense officials have told the Committee the Armed Services plan to start UMT in the fall with 60,000 volunteer 18-year-olds who would be put on active duty after six months' training.

"LET US look at the facts and not be swept off our feet by fears or false patriotism," writes Father Meade.

"Military experts have told us what to expect from the next possible war. They are insistent on telling us that it will be sudden, frightful, and above all, long-range. If this is true, then our first line of defense is a strong, expertly trained navy and air force.

"Now neither the navy nor the air force can train their men in six months or a year. In that time they can give but a flimsy foundation, which is progressively lost with the passage of time. Defensive rocket and atomic warfare can no more be taught in the space of a year than aggressive warfare can be learned in the same space of time."

The President's plan speaks hopefully of other benefits. We are told that it will teach democracy and Americanism; it will further the health of the youth by a life in the great outdoors; it will bring out leadership and include citizenship; it will offer a grand opportunity for education; finally, it will develop character by enforcing discipline."

TO THOSE CLAIMS Father Meade exhorts the people to "look at the facts and not be misled by enticing words."

"Take health," he writes. "The very boys who need the rugged health training will be the ones who will not pass the physical examinations."

"Take democracy. Military life is by its very nature authoritarian and the two systems are as opposed as day and night."

"Take Americanism. Compulsory military training is a foreign importation and has never been practiced in the whole history of our country."

"Take leadership and citizenship and character. Have our homes and schools and churches failed so miserably that now these things must be taken over by government functionaries and taught as a by-product of military training?"

"HAVE THE American people become so weak and spineless and morally flabby that now the citizens of tomorrow can no longer be trusted to their homes and schools and churches? Is government to put the finishing touches on the lives of our children because we no longer know quite so well as the army the meaning of character and citizenship?"

"What then, is the answer? How can we have a military training system without considering those under discussion?"

"There is an answer, already passed into the law of the land over thirty years ago. I mean the National Defense Act of 1920."

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**Sokolsky Set In Thomas More Lecture Feb. 5**

Thomas More Lecture Forum will present George E. Sokolsky, widely known syndicated columnist and radio commentator in the Christian Culture series on Tuesday, Feb. 5 in Columbus Civic Center Auditorium at 8:15 p.m.

"These Days," will be Sokolsky's topic according to the Very Rev. John S. Randall, managing



GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY

editor of the Catholic Courier-Journal and series director. The Forum is sponsored by the diocesan newspaper.

The title of his topic is also the title of a column written by Mr. Sokolsky who is widely in demand as a lecturer and industrial consultant. He is recognized as one of the soundest-thinking national commentators.

BORN IN UTICA in 1883, George, son of a Jewish rabbi, was taken early in life to New York's east side. He concerned himself with social, civic and labor problems all through his youth. He held more than 20 jobs before finishing his journalism course at Columbia University.

After finishing college he went to Russia about the time the Bolsheviks took over. That country proved a dire disappointment to him and in 1918 he went across Siberia to Peking.

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**Blessing Of School Addition Slated At Sacred Heart**

Dedication of the new, modernly constructed and equipped addition to Sacred Heart Pro-Cathedral School by His Excellency Bishop Kearney will take place on Sunday, Feb. 3 at 4 p.m. according to the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George V. Burns, pastor.

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Program will consist of the laying of the cornerstone and blessing of the two-story and basement building in rear of old school on Flower City Park and extending to Ralnes Park.

The new structure, fireproof throughout, will provide in addition to well-lighted and ventilated classrooms, facilities for parish societies including a large assembly and two smaller rooms in the basement, and a new kitchen.

THREE BEAUTIFUL paintings of the Sacred Heart donated for the new building by Trant's, Tucker's and Spang's religious goods stores respectively will be on view at the dedication.

Original contract for the addition amounted to \$143,125. With the building still unfinished more than \$100,000 has been paid. Following a building campaign in charge of the Rev. William F. Nolan, assistant pastor, a system of monthly contributions was inaugurated. The building fund collection for 1951 was \$12,474.22. The parish also borrowed \$77,000 to meet the cost of building.

Building contractor is Frank A. Maggio and Brothers, and Frank M. Quinlan is the architect.

PLANS ARE NOW being studied to make improvements at the convent for Sisters of St. Joseph teaching at Sacred Heart School. It was announced at the Masses Sunday.

The Rev. Francis J. Taylor and the Rev. Edward J. McAniff, assistant pastors and Basilian Fathers who help out at the Pro-Cathedral will take part in the school dedication.

Growth of the school to 367 pupils has necessitated the school addition and the convent plan study.

Origin of Colors Georgetown University's colors, blue and gray, had their origin when the students of 1861 marched away to fight, some of the North and some for the South.

Altar Group Meets The altar society of St. Theodore's Church will meet Wednesday, Jan. 30. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Moylan's band.

**Heroic Bishop To Greet Pilgrims From Rochester**

Rochester diocesan pilgrims in union with fellow Catholics from every country will be greeted by Bishop Gregory Modrego of Barcelona when they arrive there on May 27 to participate in the vast Eucharistic tribute that will be held in the Spanish city from the time of their arrival until June 1.

Bishop Modrego is the organizer of this 35th International Eucharistic Congress. This dynamic prelate of 55, whose See was in the front line of the Spanish Civil War, envisioned the Barcelona Congress after the Catalan capital was transformed from a center of Spanish Communism into one of Spain's most devout cities.

The Church had suffered heavily in Barcelona during the war. The resurgence of the Faith there after the Civil War induced Bishop Modrego to petition the Holy Father in 1947 to hold the Eucharistic Congress at Barcelona, a plea Pope Pius was pleased to grant.

UNDER THE LEADERSHIP of the Rev. John E. Mamey, D.D., Vice Chancellor of the Diocese, the Rochester Diocesan Eucharistic Congress Pilgrimage will sail from New York City on May 17 via the warm, sunny South Atlantic route aboard the S.S. Saturnia of the Italian Lines. Enroute to the Congress the Rochester pilgrims will stop at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima and will then continue to Barcelona where they will have the best hotel accommodations in the Congress City. After the Congress they will visit Lourdes, Nice and Rome where an audience with the Holy Father will be a climax to their trip.

ON CORPUS CHRISTI DAY, a "delightful trip" is planned from Rome to Orvieto where the world renowned and colorful Corpus Christi procession is held each year.

The pilgrims will also visit the Shrine of St. Francis at Assisi. The pilgrimage will continue on to Paris and home via the North Atlantic route on the Cunard Lines.

Minimum rates for the Rochester pilgrims are: tourist class, round trip, \$1168; cabin class, round trip, \$1280.50; first class, round trip, \$1468. Accommodations via air will also be available.

Inquiries and reservations can be made at Kalsbelsch Travel Agency, the official agency for the pilgrimage, at 17 Clinton Ave., South, Baker 5440.

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